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Nixon Aide's Nomination Withdrawn

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The Ford administration announced yesterday the withdrawal of the nomination of a former Nixon administration political aide to be ambassador to Costa Rica.

The nominee, Stanton B. Anderson, asked that his name be withdrawn "for personal reasons," White House press secretary Ronald Nessen told reporters.

Nessen declined to say if Anderson's request was connected with his activities during the Nixon administration, which included a peripheral involvement in the 1972 Nixon re-election effort.

Anderson, 33, testifying on his nomination before a Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearing last May, said that among his duties at the White House was the screening of prospective political appointees for ambassadorships. In addition, he was involved in a 1972 White House plan to mobilize the federal bureaucracy behind the Nixon re-election campaign.

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