

retaries now provided by law, an additional Assistant Secretary of the Interior who shall be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, who shall be responsible for such duties as the Secretary of the Interior shall prescribe, and shall receive compensation at the rate now or hereafter prescribed by law for Assistant Secretaries of the Interior.

(Pub. L. 92-22, §1, June 1, 1971, 85 Stat. 75.)

SENATE CONFIRMATION OF PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR AS REPEALING PROVISIONS FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR FOR ADMINISTRATION

Section 3 of Pub. L. 92-22 provided that: "Section 4 of Reorganization Plan Numbered 3 of 1950, as amended (64 Stat. 1262) [set out under section 1451 of this title], and item (25) of section 5316, title 5, United States Code, are repealed, effective upon the confirmation by the United States Senate of a Presidential appointee to fill the position created by this Act [enacting this section and section 5315(18) of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees]."

**§ 1454. Duties of Assistant Secretary and assistant to Secretary**

The Assistant Secretary of the Interior shall perform such duties in the Department of the Interior as shall be prescribed by the Secretary, or may be required by law. The assistant to the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to sign such official papers and documents as the Secretary may direct.

(R.S. § 439; Mar. 28, 1918, ch. 29, 40 Stat. 499.)

CODIFICATION

R.S. § 439 derived from act Mar. 14, 1862, ch. 41, § 6, 12 Stat. 369.

Section was formerly classified to section 483 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, §1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out under section 1451 of this title.

**§ 1455. Solicitor; appointment; duties**

On and after June 26, 1946 the legal work of the Department of the Interior shall be performed under the supervision and direction of the Solicitor of the Department of the Interior, who shall be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate.

(June 26, 1946, ch. 494, 60 Stat. 312.)

CODIFICATION

Provisions of this section which prescribed the compensation of the Solicitor were omitted to conform to the provisions of the Federal Executive Salary Schedule. See section 5311 et seq. of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

Section was formerly classified to section 483a of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, §1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

**§ 1456. Chief clerk**

The chief clerk of the Department of the Interior on and after July 3, 1926, shall be the chief

executive officer of the department and may be designated by the Secretary to sign official papers and documents, including the authorization of expenditures from the contingent and other appropriations for the department, its bureaus and offices, section 3683<sup>1</sup> of the Revised Statutes to the contrary notwithstanding.

(July 3, 1926, ch. 771, §1, 44 Stat. 854.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 3683 of the Revised Statutes, referred to in text, was classified to section 675 of former Title 31, Money and Finance, and repealed by act Sept. 12, 1950, ch. 946, title III, §301(76), 64 Stat. 843.

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 484 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, §1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in the following prior appropriations acts:

May 24, 1922, ch. 199, 42 Stat. 552.

Jan. 24, 1923, ch. 42, 42 Stat. 1174.

June 5, 1924, ch. 264, 43 Stat. 391.

Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1142.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out under section 1451 of this title.

DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Interior Department Order No. 2546, dated Dec. 7, 1949 and amended Jan. 20, 1950, set up the Office of Administrative Management with an executive officer in charge, and the Chief Clerk of the Department was placed in charge of a Division of Administrative Services under that office. A further amendment to Department Order No. 2546, dated Aug. 15, 1950, placed the Division of Administrative Services, with the Chief Clerk in charge, under the Administrative Assistant Secretary of the Interior Department.

**§ 1456a. Repealed. Pub. L. 95-164, title III, § 306(b), Nov. 9, 1977, 91 Stat. 1322**

Section, Pub. L. 93-153, title IV, § 405, Nov. 16, 1973, 87 Stat. 590, provided for appointment by the President of head of Mining Enforcement and Safety Administration.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective 120 days after Nov. 9, 1977, see section 307 of Pub. L. 95-164, set out as an Effective Date of 1977 Amendment note under section 801 of Title 30, Mineral Lands and Mining.

**§ 1457. Duties of Secretary**

The Secretary of the Interior is charged with the supervision of public business relating to the following subjects and agencies:

1. Alaska Railroad.
2. Alaska Road Commission.
3. Bounty-lands.
4. Bureau of Land Management.
5. United States Bureau of Mines.
6. Bureau of Reclamation.

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.