Appointment of Assistant to the President and Deputy Chief of Staff
December 22, 1993

The President and Chief of Staff Thomas F. “Mack” McLarty today announced the appointment of Harold Ickes to be Assistant to the President and Deputy Chief of Staff, reporting to Mr. McLarty. In that capacity, Ickes will have major responsibility for efforts to enact the health security act next year.

The President made the following statement:

“I am pleased that my good friend Harold Ickes will be joining our team. Harold combines a savvy political sense, honed by years of experience in national politics, with a deep commitment to improving the lives of average citizens. I admire his insight and his sharp wit.”

Nomination for Director of the United States Mint
December 22, 1993

The President announced today that he intends to nominate Phillip N. Diehl, until recently the Chief of Staff at the Department of the Treasury, to be the Director of the U.S. Mint.

“As a senior member of Secretary Bentzen’s staff, both in the Senate and at the Treasury, and during his service in Texas’ State Government, Phil Diehl has distinguished himself as a public servant of high quality,” said the President. “He has the skills and experience that it takes to be an effective manager of the U.S. Mint.”

Note: A biography of the nominee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Nomination for Deputy Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
December 22, 1993

The President announced today that he will nominate Michael K. Kirk to be the Deputy Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks at the Department of Commerce.

“Michael Kirk has a long record of public service at the Patent and Trademark Office. I am confident that he will do well as Deputy Commissioner.”

Note: A biography of the nominee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Executive Order 12886—Adjustments of Rates of Pay and Allowances for the Uniformed Services
December 23, 1993

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including section 601 of Public Law 103–160, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Sec. 1. The rates of monthly basic pay (37 U.S.C. 203(a)), the rates of basic allowances for subsistence (37 U.S.C. 402), and the rates of basic allowances for quarters (37 U.S.C. 403(a)) for members of the uniformed services are adjusted as set forth on the schedule attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Sec. 2. The adjustments in rates of monthly basic pay and allowances for subsistence and quarters set forth on the attached schedule are effective on January 1, 1994.

Sec. 3. Section 4 and Schedule 8 of Executive Order No. 12826 of December 30, 1992, are superseded.

William J. Clinton

The White House,

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Note: This Executive order and the attached annexes will be published in the Federal Register on December 28.
Executive Order 12887—Amending Executive Order 12878
December 23, 1993

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1, subsection (a), of Executive Order No. 12878 (November 5, 1993) is amended—
1. in the second sentence, by deleting “30 members”, and inserting “32 members”; and
2. in the fifth sentence, by deleting “Ten members”, and inserting “Twelve members”.

William J. Clinton

The White House,

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NOTE: This Executive order will be published in the Federal Register on December 28.

Executive Order 12888—Amendments to the Manual for Courts-Martial, United States, 1984
December 23, 1993

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including chapter 47 of title 10, United States Code (Uniform Code of Military Justice, 10 U.S.C. 801-946), in order to prescribe amendments to the Manual for Courts-Martial, United States, 1984, prescribed by Executive Order No. 12473, as amended by Executive Order No. 12484, Executive Order No. 12550, Executive Order No. 12586, Executive Order No. 12708, and Executive Order No. 12767, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. Part II of the Manual for Courts-Martial, United States, 1984, is amended as follows:
a. R.C.M. 109 is amended to read as follows:
“(a) In general. Each Judge Advocate General is responsible for the professional supervision and discipline of military trial and appellate military judges, judge advocates, and other lawyers who practice in proceedings governed by the code and this Manual. To discharge this responsibility each Judge Advocate General may prescribe rules of professional conduct not inconsistent with this rule or this Manual. Rules of professional conduct promulgated pursuant to this rule may include sanctions for violations of such rules. Sanctions may include but are not limited to indefinite suspension from practice in courts-martial and in the Courts of Military Review. Such suspensions may only be imposed by the Judge Advocate General of the armed service of such courts. Prior to imposing any discipline under this rule, the subject of the proposed action must be provided notice and an opportunity to be heard. The Judge Advocate General concerned may upon good cause shown modify or revoke suspension. Procedures to investigate complaints against military trial judges and appellate military judges are contained in subsection (c) of this rule.

(b) Action after suspension or disbarment. When a Judge Advocate General suspends a person from practice or the Court of Military Appeals disbars a person, any Judge Advocate General may suspend that person from practice upon written notice and opportunity to be heard in writing.

(c) Investigation of judges.
(1) In general. These rules and procedures promulgated pursuant to Article 6a are established to investigate and dispose of charges, allegations, or information pertaining to the fitness of a military trial judge or appellate military judge to perform the duties of the judge’s office.

(2) Policy. Allegations of judicial misconduct or unfitness shall be investigated pursuant to the procedures of this rule and appropriate action shall be taken. Judicial misconduct includes any act or omission that may serve to demonstrate unfitness for further duty as a judge, including but not limited to violations of applicable ethical standards.

(3) Complaints. Complaints concerning a military trial judge or appellate military judge will be forwarded to the Judge Advocate General of the service concerned or to a person designated by the Judge Advocate