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# COMMISSION EMPLOYEE HONORED AS OUTSTANDING HANDICAPPED WORKER

Dennis Meyers of the Commission's Office of Reports and Information Services has been selected as one of the ten recipients of the "Outstanding Handicapped Federal Employee of the Year" award.

Selections were made by the U.S. Civil Service Commission from among nominations from all federal agencies throughout the country. Mr. Meyers will receive his award from Mrs. Rosalyn Carter at an awards ceremony at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, October 6, 1977, at the Department of Commerce auditorium.

Mr. Meyers, 36, joined the SEC in February, 1965, and works as a mail clerk. He lives with his parents and brother in Alexandria. Although he is mentally retarded, Mr. Meyers has, through special educational classes, vastly improved his reading ability.

In nominating him for the award, the Commission's report stated in part, "Dennis Meyers is an outstanding employee who, through personal self discipline, perseverance, and dedication, has raised his skills from a very low level to the point where his job performance exceeds the Commission's requirements in every respect. When Mr. Meyers was hired, in 1965, to deliver mail (at the Securities and Exchange Commission's Washington Headquarters), he could neither read nor write. Since his first week at work, when he memorized the numbers of rooms to which he had to deliver mail, Mr. Meyers has demonstrated tremendous ability to overcome his severe mental handicap. He has developed a proficiency in his work performance which makes him a model for other members of the Commission's staff."