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BARBARA S. THOMAS IS SEC'S 58th COMMISSIONER

Barbara S. Thomas was sworn in as the newest member of the Commission in a White House ceremony held Tuesday, October 21. The 58th person appointed to the Commission, she succeeds Irving M. Pollack, who retired June 5, 1980, and will complete a five-year term which began on that date.

A corporate and securities lawyer, Mrs. Thomas was made a partner of Kaye, Scholer, Fierman, Hays & Handler, a New York law firm, in January 1978. She had been an associate of the firm since 1973 and an associate of the Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison firm, also of New York, from September 1969 to April 1973.

Mrs. Thomas is a graduate of New York University School of Law, J.D. 1969, cum laude, where she placed second in a class of 323, was a member of the Order of the Coif, and was an editor of the New York University Law Review. A John Norton Pomroy Scholar, she received the Jefferson Davis Prize in Public Law and American Jurisprudence Prizes for Excellence in 15 subjects and made the Dean's List every semester. In 1966 she earned a B.A. cum laude in history from the University of Pennsylvania.

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Mrs. Thomas is Chairman of the Corporation Law Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, a member of the Committee on Federal Regulation of Securities of the American Bar Association and a member of the Securities Regulation Committee of the New York State Bar Association. She is also a member of the University of Pennsylvania Alumni Council on Admissions.

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