

## Warburton Named Executive Director Of Association and Certification Board



HERBERT B. WARBURTON

The Joint Executive Council has selected Herbert B. Warburton, of Bethesda, Md., as Executive Director of the American Orthotics and Prosthetics Association and the American Board for Certification in Orthotics & Prosthetics, Inc., effective August 1, 1966.

As a member of the Delaware Bar, Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Delaware in 1953 and 1954, and state and federal government official, Mr. Warburton has extensive knowledge of the complex interrelationships of industry, politics, and government. Most recently he has been Washington representative and consultant for F. Clifton White and Associates, Inc., public affairs specialist.

A major interest of Mr. Warburton while in the Congress was strengthening of the vocational rehabilitation program, and he worked vigorously with public and private interests to that end. His 1953 testimony before the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee evoked commendation from Senators H. Alexander Smith of New Jersey and the late Herbert Lehman of New York. The latter described Mr. Warburton's presentation on the public record as "the most effective testimony I have heard on this subject." Although his primary assignments were on the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce and Public Works Committees, Mr. Warburton was a strong advocate for creation of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

His government service has also included numerous federal and state appointments in the executive branch. In 1955, Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell appointed him Special Assistant for Congressional Relations, in which post he helped the Department improve its relations with the public as well as federal and state agencies. One of his missions resolved a migrant labor dispute between the Department of Labor and California farmers, and avoided involving the Mexican Government.

From late 1957 through 1960 Mr. Warburton was General Counsel of the Post Office Department, administering a staff of 72 who handled the legal problems for a 500,000-man establishment. In addition to basic legal duties, he was a primary spokesman and negotiator for the Postal Service with representatives of other agencies and industry, directed its legislative activities, and helped develop and carry out the Postmaster General's information campaign explaining the Department's policies and programs to the public. Commendation from House Appropriations Subcommittee Vaughn Gary of Virginia came to him for revising procedures to increase protection to the public in postal controversies, including establishing the Department's first Contract Appeal Board and Judicial Officer, and for improving the legal service's efficiency and prestige with minimum increases in basic costs.

After spending 1961 as vice president of a Washington, D.C., investment firm, Mr. Warburton returned to federal service. For nearly three years he was Special Minority Counsel, Government Operations Committee, investigating the Billie Sol Estes grain storage case with the support of the leaders of both parties in the House of Representatives.

In his Wilmington, Delaware, practice after World War II service, Mr. Warburton specialized in insurance, corporation and real estate law. He served as First Assistant City Solicitor for Wilmington, and Deputy State's Attorney General, and is a past National Chairman, Young Republican National Federation.

A native of Delaware, graduate of the State's university and Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle, Pa., he went on active duty as a reserve first lieutenant the day he completed his bar examinations in 1941. In 1942 Mr. Warburton was admitted to the bar *in absentia*, the first person in his State's history to be so honored. Military service of more than four years in the anti-aircraft artillery and military intelligence included, in addition to field duty, Intelligence Officer (G-2), Staff of the Commanding General, Anti-Aircraft Artillery School (in which capacity he also directed its public relations and information activities and the Anti-aircraft Command's publications and visual aid functions), Commanding Officer of the Counter-intelligence School Enlisted Students Battalion, and student at the Command and General Staff School.

Mr. and Mrs. (Elizabeth) Warburton, residents of Maryland since 1961, live at 8500 Beech Tree Road, Bethesda.