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THOMPSON NAMED BIA ASSISTANT AREA DIRECTOR

Fred Thompson, Jr., has been made Assistant Area Director, Community Services, in the Bureau of Indian Affairs' Navajo Area Office, Interior Assistant Secretary Forrest Gerard announced today.

Thompson, a member of the Navajo Tribe, has been the Housing Development Officer in the area office since August, 1976.

After serving as Assistant Executive Director of the Navajo Housing Authority, Thompson, 34, became Housing Development Officer at the Fort Defiance Agency in 1971. He transferred to the area office in 1974.

An alumnus of the University of New Mexico, Thompson was a field director with the Navajo Office of Economic Opportunity and has held other jobs with the tribe.

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