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Commissioner of Indian Affairs Morris Thompson has appointed Billie D. Ott, a member of the Choctaw Tribe of Oklahoma, Assistant Director, Support Services, in the Bureau of Indian Affairs' Office of Administration.

Ott, a graduate of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, had been Vice President and General Manager of Eastern Operations for the General Telephone and Electronics, Information Systems in Stamford, Conn. He has held other top management positions with Electronic Associates, Inc., and with General Electric.

A native of Comanche, Okla., who grew up in Marlow, Okla., Ott is a graduate of Chilocco Indian High School. He attended Oklahoma State University and the U. S. Naval Prep School, Bainbridge, Md., before beginning studies at the Academy. He graduated in 1952 with a degree in General Engineering.

After combat service on a destroyer in Korea, Ott, 45 completed flight training as a Naval Aviator. He resigned from the service in 1958.

In his new position Ott will have a variety of management responsibilities including provision of centralized ADP services for Bureau-wide computerized systems and administrative services such as contracting and paperwork management, property and supply and personnel.

Ott is married and has two sons and one daughter.

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