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## TOWNSHIP ATTORNEYS NAMED

### Appointments Effective As Of August 1, 1965

Mayor Russell P. Patterson and the Township Committee announced today the appointment of George A. Wood as Township Attorney and James J. Walsh as Assistant Township Attorney for the Township of Scotch Plains. The appointments will be effective as of August 1, 1965, and they will take their oaths of office at the next regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on Tuesday evening, July 20.

Mr. Wood who has served as Assistant Township Attorney will succeed Harry E. Bernstein as Township Attorney who recently resigned.

Mayor Patterson stated "We are indeed fortunate to have such competent attorneys practicing and residents in Scotch Plains, enabling all township offices to avail themselves of their services at any time required, day or night".



#### George A. Wood, Scotch Plains Township Attorney

George A. Wood was raised in Trenton and graduated from Trenton High School. He attended Lebanon Valley College, where he was president of the senior class; he then went to Rutgers University School of Law where he received his law degree. Wood was soon accepted by the New Jersey Bar after having served the required clerkship.

His office is located at 2263 Mountain Avenue, Scotch Plains. He presently resides at 27 Homestead Terrace, is married and has two children, Penelope Jaczko of 2263 Mountain Avenue; and Diana Leahy of 58 Grove Street, New Market, New Jersey.

He spent four years in the navy, rising to the rank of Lieutenant Commander. He is now a member of the Naval Reserve.

His present occupations include being a licensed insurance broker and an attorney for the Fellow Life Office Management Association. Wood is a member of the Union County Bar Association, the Union County Mental Health Board and various other professional and church organizations.

#### James J. Walsh, Assistant Township Attorney

James J. Walsh was born in New York City, raised in Newark, attended Elementary and High School there. He attended Seton Hall College and Rutgers University School of Law, there receiving a law degree in June, 1952 and was admitted to the Washington D. C. Bar in October 1952.

Formerly associated with the firm of Lorentz and Stamler, 1180 Raymond Boulevard, Newark, N.J., he decided to reside in the suburbs. He opened an office in Scotch Plains, 458 Park Avenue, in 1955 and within a year purchased a home at 431 Warren Street, Scotch Plains. Eventually his office was moved from Park Avenue to 1767 E. Second Street, until last year when he purchased the building at 1793 E. Second Street, Scotch Plains. Walsh presently resides at 2316 Concord Street, is married and has eight children.

His present occupations are the Justice of the Subordinate Forum for the Scotch Plains Elks and the attorney for the Scotch Plains Businessmen Association.

GEORGE A. WOOD

JAMES J. WALSH