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Abraham L. Kaminstein, who has served as Acting Register of Copyrights since the death of Arthur Fisher on November 12, 1960, has been appointed Register of Copyrights by L. Quincy Mumford, Librarian of Congress, effective December 24, 1960.

Mr. Kaminstein joined the staff of the Copyright Office on July 31, 1947, as Chief of the Examining Division, and for the past year has held, in addition, the post of Deputy Register of Copyrights.

Born in New York City on May 13, 1912, Mr. Kaminstein received his B. S. S. degree from the College of the City of New York in 1932. In 1935 and 1936, respectively, he received the LL. B. and LL. M. degrees from Harvard Law School, where he was a Research Fellow in 1936-37.

Mr. Kaminstein began his Government career in 1937 and served in various legal capacities with the National Labor Relations Board and the Rural Electrification Administration.

Mr. Kaminstein assisted in preparing the U. S. proposals for the Universal Copyright Convention and was Adviser to the U. S. Delegation at the Paris meeting in 1951 at which the preliminary draft of the Convention was prepared. The Convention was signed in 1952 and ratified by the United States in 1954.

Mr. Kaminstein is the author of Divisibility of Copyrights, one of the studies made in preparation for the proposed revision of the present copyright law, and he has also participated actively in the general work of the Copyright Office in preparing for revision of the law.

Mr. Kaminstein is a member of the New York bar, the American Bar Association and the Federal Bar Association.