

The Honorable ROBERT CUTLER

Gen. Robert Cutler was born in Brookline, Massachusetts on June 12, 1895. He received his A.B. cum laude from Harvard University in 1916 and his L.L.B. cum laude from the same institution in 1922. He received honorary doctorate degrees from Trinity College, 1943; Norwich, 1948; Northeastern University, 1949; Colby, 1951; and Boston University, 1952. Gen. Cutler began his work as English instructor at Harvard in 1916 where he became editor of the Harvard Law Review and chairman of the Board of Advisors, Harvard Law School in 1919. In 1922 he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar and practiced law in Boston from 1922 to 1942. From 1940 to 1942 he was corporation counsel, City of Boston. He has served as board member and director of many industrial and financial organizations.

He served as Second and First Lieutenant, Infantry, in the American Expeditionary Forces, U.S. Army, 1917-1919. In 1918 he was in the AEF in France and spent the next year with the Third Army Military Police in Germany.

Gen. Cutler was commissioned a Colonel in the U.S. Army in 1942, when he was made Assistant Deputy Director, Army Specialist Corps. His next military assignment was Chief, Procurement Division, Officer Procurement Service, where he remained until 1943 when he was assigned to the General Staff Corps, Office of the Secretary of War. In 1945 he was made Brigadier General while coordinator for Soldier Voting for the Army and Executive Officer of the U.S. War Ballot Commission. Gen. Cutler was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal and Legion of Merit. Among his many positions as an outstanding citizen, Gen. Cutler was general chairman, Greater Boston 1937 Community Fund Campaign. From 1940 to 1942 he was Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Public Welfare Department of Massachusetts. Since 1947 he has been president of the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital and has been overseer of Harvard University since 1949.

In 1952 he was appointed Administrative Assistant to the President of the United States and at present is the Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs.