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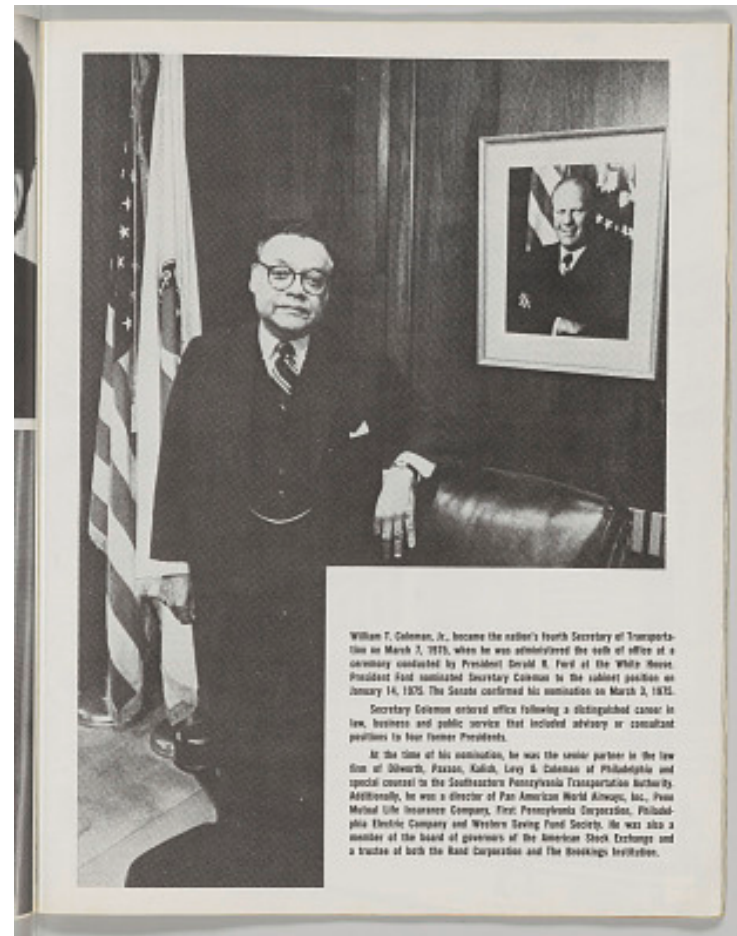
[[image--full page black and white photo of William T. Coleman, Jr., standing in his office in front of the American flag and a portrait of President Gerald R. Ford]]

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William T. Coleman, Jr., became the nation's fourth Secretary of Transportation on March 7, 1975, when he was administered the oath of office at a ceremony conducted by President Gerald R. Ford at the White House. President Ford nominated Secretary Coleman to the cabinet position on January 14, 1975. The senate confirmed his nomination on March 3, 1975.

Secretary Coleman entered office following a distinguished career in law, business and public service that included advisory or consultant positions to four former Presidents.

At the time of his nomination, he was the senior partner in the firm of Dilworth, Paxson, Kalish, Levy & Coleman of Philadelphia and special counsel to the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority. Additionally, he was a director of Pan American World Airways, Inc., Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company, First Pennsylvania Corporation, Philadelphia Electric Company and Western Saving Fund Society. He was also a member of the board of governors of the American Stock Exchange and a trustee of both the Rand Corporation and the Brookings Institution.



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