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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, City College of New York, NY, 1944

M.S. in Aeronautical Engineering, Case Institute of Technology (now Case-Western Reserve), Cleveland, OH, 1950

PRE-NASA EXPERIENCE:

NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory, Cleveland, OH

- Aeronautical Research Scientist (1944-1952)
- Head, Axial Flow Compressor Section (1952-1954)
- Associate Chief, Compressor Research Branch (1954-1957)

NASA EXPERIENCE:

NASA Headquarters, Washington, DC (1958-1969)

- Chief, Nuclear Engine program (1958-1959)
- Assistant Director, Nuclear Propulsion, Launch Vehicle Programs Directorate (Dec. 1959-Nov. 1961)
- Director, Nuclear Systems, Office of Advanced Research and Technology (OART) (Nov. 1961-Oct. 1963)
- Division Director, Nuclear Systems and Space Power, OART (Nov. 1963-April 1967)
- Manager, Joint Atomic Energy Commission (AEC)-NASA Space Nuclear Propulsion Office (SNPO) (Aug. 1960-April 1967)
- Associate Administrator, Organization and Management (1967-1969)

POST-NASA EXPERIENCE:

Department of Housing and Urban Development (1969-1972)

- Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology