

KINGDON GOULD, JR.

United States Ambassador to The Netherlands

Kingdon Gould, Jr. was sworn in October 9, 1973, as the United States Ambassador to the Netherlands, succeeding J. William Middendorf II who had served there 1969-73. Ambassador Gould arrived at The Hague on October 16, 1973, and presented his credentials to Queen Juliana on October 18, 1973. He had previously served as United States Ambassador to Luxembourg from July 1969 to October 1972.

Born on January 3, 1924, in New York City, Ambassador Gould attended primary school there, high school in Millbrook, New York, and received a B.A. from Yale University in 1948 and an L.L.B. from Yale Law School in 1951. During World War II Ambassador Gould volunteered as a private in the United States Army and received a field promotion to Second Lieutenant. He saw action in Holland and Germany, and was twice awarded the Silver Star and twice the Purple Heart.

After graduating from Law School, Ambassador Gould began law practice in Washington, D. C. where he became a member of the bar. He is also admitted to the bars of the Supreme Court, Maryland and New York State. From 1945-1950, Ambassador Gould was a Director of the Consolidated Coal Company, St. Louis, Missouri, and from 1955-1957 a director of Butler Brothers, Chicago, Illinois. Ambassador Gould was Chairman of the Board of the Murray Corporation of Maryland 1964-69, and Partner and Director of Parking Management, Inc. (PMI), of Washington, D. C. 1953-69. He was also a Director of the Madison National Bank in Washington, D. C., 1963-69 and the State Bank of Laurel, Maryland, 1956-63, and had participated in founding in 1962 the White Mountain National Bank of Conway, New Hampshire. Ambassador Gould co-founded Glenelg Country School, an independent elementary school, in 1954 and has served as Chairman of its Trustees since then. He was a member of the Maryland Board of Natural Resources from 1968 to 1969.

In 1946 Ambassador Gould married the former Mary Bunce Thorne. They have nine children: Lydia Gould Barbieri, Kingdon, Thorne, Frank, Candida, Caleb, Melissa, Annunziata and Thalia, and five grandchildren. The Goulds have made their home since 1951 at "Overlook" near Columbia, Maryland. All members of the family enjoy a variety of sports, including swimming, riding, skiing, tennis, and fly fishing. The Ambassador speaks French, German and Italian.

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KINGDON GOULD, JR. SWORN IN
AS UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR
TO LUXEMBOURG

Kingdon Gould, Jr., of Laurel, Maryland, was sworn in today as United States Ambassador to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. He succeeded Ambassador George J. Feldman. At the time of his nomination, Mr. Gould maintained a private law practice in Washington, D.C., and was Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Murray Corporation of Towson, Maryland. He was also a principal and Director of Parking Management, Inc. and a Director of the Madison National Bank of Washington, D.C., of which he had previously been an organizer.

Born on January 3, 1924, in New York, N.Y., Mr. Gould attended Yale University (B.A., 1948) and the Yale Law School (LL.B., 1951). He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and of the bars of Maryland, New York, the District of Columbia and the Supreme Court.

He served with the U.S. Army from 1942-46, receiving a battlefield commission as 2nd Lt. and being awarded the Silver Star with cluster and the Purple Heart with cluster.

Mr. Gould began the private practice of law in 1952. In 1954, he helped found Glenelg Country School, Glenelg, Maryland, of which he is Chairman of the Board of Trustees. From 1955-57, he was a Director of Butler Brothers, Chicago, Illinois. In 1962, he participated in organizing the White Mountain National Bank of Conway, N.H. He also served as a member of the Maryland Board of Natural Resources from 1968-69.

He speaks French and Italian, and has a working knowledge of German.

Ambassador Gould is married to the former Mary Bunce Thorne, and they have nine children: Lydia, Kingdon, Thorne, Frank, Candida, Caleb, Melissa, Annunziata and Thalia.

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