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Vincent Little, the Bureau of Indian Affairs Portland, Oregon Area Director, has been detailed to serve as the acting Phoenix Area Director for a period not to exceed 120 days.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs William Hallett said that Little "is an excellent administrator who will provide effective leadership for the Phoenix area in a critical period of change."

A Mohave Indian, Little was named Arizona Indian of the Year in 1971 when he was in charge of the Phoenix Indian School.

Little began his career with the BIA in 1957 as a teacher at the Phoenix school. He was Superintendent of the Northern Idaho agency before becoming Area Director in Portland. A U.S. Army veteran, Little, 49, graduated from Arizona State University, where he subsequently earned a Master's degree in 1961. In 1963 he completed Interior's Departmental Management Program.

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