

Ambassador Phillips Talbot

Year of Commission: 1936

BA in Journalism and Political Science



Start his military career as a Cavalry Officer in the Illinois National Guard. In World War II, he accepted a commission in the U.S. Navy Reserves and served as the Naval Liaison Officer to India and later China. After the war, he worked as a foreign correspondent for the Chicago Daily News and walked alongside Mohandas Gandhi in 1947. Ambassador Talbot was appointed by President Kennedy to serve as the Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs. In 1965, he became the Ambassador to Greece and remained at this point until 1969. He served as president of the non-profit education group. The Asian Society from 1970 to 1981. In 2002, he was awarded the Padma Shri by the Indian Government. Ambassador Talbot passed on the 1st of October 2010. In New York, NY.

Year Inducted: 2015