Public Law 90-130 (1967): Resources on Women's Promotion to Flag and General Officer Ranks

Key Facts

- **Date Signed**: November 8, 1967 (some sources cite November 7)
- **Signed By**: President Lyndon B. Johnson
- **Public Law Number**: 90-130 (81 Stat. 374)
- **Bill Number**: H.R. 5894
- **Key Provisions**:
    - Removed promotion restrictions preventing women from reaching general and flag officer ranks
    - Eliminated the 2% ceiling on the number of women allowed on active duty
    - Lifted rank ceilings on other officer grades
    - Equalized promotion and retirement rules for all military officers
- **First Women Promoted to General Officer**:
    - **Brigadier General Anna Mae Hays**: Chief of Army Nurse Corps (promoted June 11, 1970)
    - **Brigadier General Elizabeth P. Hoisington**: Director of Women's Army Corps (promoted June 11, 1970)
    - Both promoted simultaneously by President Richard Nixon; Hays received her star minutes before Hoisington, technically making her the firs

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