Extent

43 folders, approximately 2,189 pages

Summary

This collection consists of the speechwriting files of John Pollack, who worked for the Speechwriting Office from 1999-2001. The records primarily consist of speeches related to statements about individuals: eulogies, retirements, award winners, etc. They also highlight speeches or radio addresses regarding health care topics such as children's insurance, teen birth rates, and disability care; as well as domestic policy topics like education, monument dedication, and welfare to work. The collection includes handwritten notes, news clips and articles, press releases, speech drafts, talking points, correspondence, and memos.

Scope and Content Note

John Pollack graduated from Stanford University and worked as a journalist prior to his time at the White House. He has written three books and in 1995 won the O. Henry World Pun Championship. Pollack worked as a staff member in the Speechwriting Office from 1999 to 2001. This collection primarily consists of speeches related to statements about individuals: eulogies, retirements, award winners. It also highlights speeches or radio addresses regarding health care topics such as children’s insurance, teen birth rates, disability care, and colon cancer; as well as domestic policy topics like education, monument dedication, and welfare to work. The records include handwritten notes, news clips and articles, press releases, speech drafts, talking points, correspondence, and memos.

Record Type

Textual

System of Arrangement

Records of this systematically processed series, John Pollack, were found in Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files, Speechwriting Office.

Access

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Provenance

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Processed by

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Container List

Following is a list of folders processed for the John Pollack series:
Box 1
Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files
Speechwriting Office
Pollack, John
Adams/White House 200th Anniversary [OA/ID 19908]
African American Leaders Budget Briefing Talking Points 10/27/00 [OA/ID 19908]
AmeriCorps Speech Oct. 11, 2000 [1] [OA/ID 19908]
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Carnahan Background, Bios, and Press (2 of 2) [1] [OA/ID 19908]
Carnahan Background, Bios, and Press (2 of 2) [2] [OA/ID 19908]
Carnahan Notes (1 of 2) [OA/ID 19908]
Celebration of Gospel Video 1/01 [OA/ID 20749]
Chief of Staff [OA/ID 19908]
CHIP [Children's Health Insurance Program] Event 9/29/00 [OA/ID 19908]
Citizens Medal 1/8/00 [1] [OA/ID 20749]
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Climate [OA/ID 19908]
Colon Cancer Radio Address [OA/ID 19908]
Coral Reef: Speech 10/4/00 [OA/ID 19908]
Democratic Agenda 9/5/00 [OA/ID 19908]
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Dorothy Height [OA/ID 20749]
Election Comments [of BC, notes, etc… 12/14/00] [OA/ID 19908]
Erskine Bowles [OA/ID 19908]
Hiring Teachers Radio Address 8/26/00 [OA/ID 19908]
James E. Burke - Medal of Freedom [OA/ID 19908]
John Podesta [OA/ID 19908]
Leon Panetta [OA/ID 19908]
Long-Term Care [OA/ID 19908]
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Speechwriting Office
Pollack, John
McAuliffe Eulogy 1/4/01 [OA/ID 24510]
Medal of Freedom: Monsignor George Higgins [OA/ID 19908]
Medal of Freedom Reverend Gardener Taylor [OA/ID 19908]
Mildred Jeffrey [OA/ID 19908]
MOF [Medal of Freedom]: Krim [OA/ID 19908]
National Monuments/Lewis & Clark 1/7/01 [OA/ID 24510]
Nebraska [OA/ID 19908]
Philanthropy Radio Address [1] [OA/ID 20749]
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Post Convention Hand-Off to Al Gore in Monroe, Michigan [Notes 08/00] [OA/ID 19908]
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Radio Address 8/19/00 AIDS in Africa [OA/ID 19908]
Radio Address/Youth Violence 1/12/01 [OA/ID 24510]
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Schoolhouse (School Construction) Event 10/24/00 [OA/ID 19908]
Simon Wiesenthal [OA/ID 19908]
Teen Birth Rate Radio Address 8/12/00 [OA/ID 19908]
Welfare to Work Radio Address [OA/ID 20749]