Extent

162 folders, approximately 7,140 pages

Summary

This collection consists of the speechwriting files of Laura Capps, who served in the Speechwriting Office from 1997-1998. The files include drafts of remarks and speeches primarily covering domestic topics such as memorial dedications and individual tributes. The records in this collection also include background materials as well as transcripts of speeches as delivered. The files contain drafts, memos, faxes, press releases, schedules, biographical information, internship applications, requests and proposals, press clippings, correspondence, and publications.

Scope and Content Note

Laura Capps began her career at the White House in 1995 as an assistant to George Stephanopoulos. From 1997-1998, she served as a speechwriter for President Clinton, where she drafted remarks and speeches primarily covering domestic topics such as memorial dedications and individual tributes. The Laura Capps collection includes primarily speech drafts and background materials used for writing speeches, as well as transcripts of speeches. The documents that comprise this collection are made up of drafts, memos, faxes, press releases, schedules, biographical information, internship applications, video remark requests and proposals, press clippings, correspondence, handwritten notes, and publications.

Record Type

Textual

System of Arrangement

Records of this systematically processed series, Laura Capps, were found in Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files, Speechwriting Office. The folders are arranged alphabetically by topic.

Access

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Provenance

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Processed by

Staff Archivist, 2016. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

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