Extent

2 folders, 11 electronic assets, approximately 947 pages

Summary

This collection contains records related to Reverend Al Sharpton. This collection consists of internal correspondence between White House staffers, WAVES requests, WHODB entries, and event invitations.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2020-0036-F (Segment 2) are a selective body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related material. The researcher requested all records concerning Reverend Al Sharpton either sent by Rev. Sharpton, President Clinton, or White House staff. Textual records responsive to this request include correspondence about Reverend Sharpton, as well as an event invitation to President Clinton from Reverend Sharpton and the reply. Electronic records responsive to this request include internal correspondence from White House staff, primarily regarding meetings that included Al Sharpton, or about protests that Rev. Sharpton organized, as well as WAVES requests, and WHODB entries. There are no electronic records directly to or from Reverend Sharpton himself.

Record Type

Electronic Records
Textual

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in these collection areas— Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files, Clinton Presidential Records: ARMS Emails, Clinton Presidential Records: TRP Emails and Clinton Presidential Records: WHODB. Staff and Office files were maintained at the folder level by staff members within their individual offices and document all levels of administration activity. WHORM files are processed at the document level; whereas, Staff and Office files are processed at the folder level, that is, individual documents are not selected and removed from a folder for processing. While this method maintains folder integrity, it frequently results in the incidental processing of documents that are not wholly responsive to the subject area. The Automated Records Management System (ARMS) is a database that contains email records of the Executive Office of the President. This system maintained unclassified Presidential email. The ARMS database is comprised of six sub-series of email records called "buckets." The buckets generally represent a specific White House office. The buckets are titled: NPR for National Performance Review, OPD for Office of Policy Development, POTUS for President of the United States, WHO for White House Office, CEA for Council of Economic Advisers, and Default for emails not associated with an office. Records responsive to this request came from the OPD, WHO, CEA, and Default buckets. The OPD bucket contains email created or received by an individual with an Office of Policy Development (OPD) White House user account. The WHO bucket contains email created or received by individuals with an Executive Office of the President White House user account not identified as CEA, NPR, or OPD. The CEA bucket contains email created or received by an individual with a Council of Economic Advisors (CEA) White House user account. The Default bucket contains email created or received by unknown or unrecognized email accounts. Email found within the Default bucket often includes email created or received by offices or individuals outside the Executive Office of the President. ARMS emails are arranged by topic, there-under by bucket, and there-under chronologically by creation date. The Tape Restoration Project (TRP) is a database consisting of restored emails from the Automated Records Management System (ARMS) from July 1994 through June of 2000. The TRP is a database that contains email records of the Executive Office of the President. This system maintained unclassified Presidential record email. The TRP database is comprised of the same six sub-series of email as in ARMS. TRP emails are arranged by topic, there-under by bucket, and there-under chronologically by creation date. The White House database

(WHODB) is a database of White House events and individuals that attended those events. The database also includes a log of individuals that received White House greeting correspondence. Data was entered and maintained by the Office of Correspondence, Social Office, and Office of Public Liaison. WHODB records are printed and arranged by Event Type or Individual, and further arranged chronologically by appointment date.

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Clinton Presidential Records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. Chapter 22, as amended) and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552, as amended) and therefore records may be restricted in whole or in part in accordance with legal exemptions.

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Provenance

Official records of William Jefferson Clinton’s presidency are housed at the Clinton Presidential Library and administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processed by

Staff Archivist, 2022. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

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Container List

The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2020-0036-F (Segment 2):
Box 1
Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files
Presidential Personnel
General Files
Folder #17 [William J. Levy] [Reverend Al Sharpton] [OA/ID 17354]
Scheduling Office
General Files
305971 [Reverend Al Sharpton] [OA/ID 13879]
Clinton Presidential Records: Automated Records Management System [Email]
OPD [OA/ID 250000]
[Rev. Al Sharpton]
[11/26/1996 - 10/27/2000]
WHO [OA/ID 500000]
[Rev. Al Sharpton]
[06/29/1994 - 02/23/1999]
[07/23/1999 - 03/12/2000]
[03/16/2000 - 08/23/2000]
[08/23/2000 - 01/17/2001]
CEA [OA/ID 950000]
[Rev. Al Sharpton]
[05/17/1999 - 02/09/2000]
Default [OA/ID 1100000]
[Rev. Al Sharpton]
[12/12/1993 - 01/12/2001]
Clinton Presidential Records: Tape Restoration Project (TRP) [Email]
OPD [OA/ID 250000]
[Rev. Al Sharpton]
[12/21/1998]

WHO [OA/ID 500000]
[Rev. Al Sharpton]
[06/02/1997 - 04/22/1999]
Default [OA/ID 1100000]
[Rev. Al Sharpton]
[09/11/1997 - 01/04/1999]
Clinton Presidential Records: White House Database (WHODB)
[Individual]
[Al Sharpton]
ID Number: 175363095 [OA/ID 160000]
ID Number: 135129792 [OA/ID 160000]