Extent

2 folders, approximately 103 pages

Summary

This collection contains materials related to Josh Gottheimer, who served as Special Assistant to the Director of Speechwriting in 1998, and Presidential Speechwriter and Staff Director from 1999-2001. Gottheimer won the House of Representatives seat for in New Jersey's 5th congressional district seat in 2016. This collection consists of personnel records including emails, background and onboarding materials, and White House employee status documents.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2025-0150-F are a selective body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related material. Josh Gottheimer served as Special Assistant to the Director of Speechwriting in 1998 where he supervised the Speechwriting Office’s internship program and Presidential Speechwriter and Staff Director from 1999-2001. Prior to entering public service, Mr. Gottheimer served on the Rapid Response Team for Bill Clinton’s 1996 reelection campaign. After leaving the White House, Gottheimer advised on multiple presidential campaigns, and worked for the Ford Motor Company, Burson-Marsteller, and the Federal Communications Commission from 2010 through 2012. Gottheimer then joined Microsoft as a strategist before running for and winning the House of Representatives in New Jersey's 5th congressional district seat. Gottheimer was sworn into office on January 3, 2017. Most of these records are closed for personal privacy. Joshua Gottheimer’s speechwriting records can be found in collection 2016-0201-S.

Record Type

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. Staff and Office files were maintained at the folder level by staff members within their individual offices and document all levels of administration activity. 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.

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).

Subject Headings

Speechwriting
Speechwriters

Processed by

Staff Archivist, 2025. 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 2025-0150-F:
Box 1
Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files
Management and Administration
McClure, Kelli
Gottheimer, Joshua [OA/ID CF 1911]
Security Office
Gottheimer, Joshua S. [OA/ID CF 1885]