Extent

29 folders, approximately 2,036 pages

Summary

This collection consists of material concerning the withdrawn nomination of Lani Guinier as Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights in 1993. The collection consists of clippings, correspondence, memorandum, press releases, and printed materials.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2010-0448-F are a selective body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related materials. Lani Guinier was the first woman and the second African-American to be selected as the nation’s top civil rights attorney. During the Carter Administration, Guinier served as Special Assistant to Assistant Attorney General Drew S. Days III in the Department of Justice’s Civil Rights Division. During the 1980s, Guinier was Assistant Counsel to the NAACP’s Legal Defense and Education Fund (LDF) and also the head of the LDF’s Voting Rights Project. Guinier was a Professor of Law at the University of Pennsylvania from 1988 to 1998. On April 29, 1993, President Clinton nominated Guinier to serve as Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights, in charge of the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice (DOJ). President Clinton 2 2010-0448-F http://www.clintonlibrary.gov announced the withdrawal of Guinier’s nomination on June 3, 1993. This announcement focused on the controversial and mischaracterized nature of Guinier’s academic writings.

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 Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files; Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files. The White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) contains a variety of series created to organize and track documents and correspondence. The WHORM Subject file was compiled by the White House Office of Records Management and is a series of categories designated by a letter/number combination. Staff and Office files were maintained at the folder level by staff members within their individual offices and documents 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. FOIA 2010-0448-F includes WHORM records from these subject codes: FG Federal Government – Organizations SP Speeches

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Clinton Presidential Records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA) (44 USC 2201) and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 USC 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).

Organization Names

United States. Department of Justice. Office of the Attorney General

Topical Subjects

Civil rights

Processed by

Staff Archivist, 2011. 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 2010-0448-F:

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SP 298096 [OA/ID 14029]
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Cabinet Affairs
Silverman, Stephen
Lani Guinier Nomination Withdrawal [OA/ID 4611]
Chief of Staff
Gergen, David
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McClarty, Mack
Lani Guinier’s Publications – Mack McClarty [1][OA/ID 1362]
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Chief of Staff
McClarty, Mack
Lani Guinier’s Publications – Mack McClarty [3] [OA/ID 1362]
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Counsel’s Office
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Mauton, Cliff
Guinier, Lani [1] [OA/ID 1918]
Guinier, Lani [2] [OA/ID 1918]
Guinier, Lani [3] [OA/ID 1918]
Legislative Affairs
Griffin, Patrick
Lani Guinier [OA/ID 4750]

Box 3

Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files

Scheduling Office

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Lani Guinier [Folder 1] [1] [OA/ID 6065]

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