Extent

20,863 pages, 321 folders

Summary

This collection consists of email, press releases, daily briefings, weekly reports, and legislative reports, concerning American’s with Disabilities. Topics include the Presidential Task Force on Employment of Adults with Disabilities, the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial, the disability community, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2007-0143-F are a selective body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related materials. President Clinton was committed to greater community inclusion of people with disabilities.Clinton Presidential Records relating to the Americans with disabilities and disability civil rights consist of Automated Records Management [Email]. Automated Records Management System [Email] (ARMS) e-mail records responsive to this FOIA segment originate in the OPD and Default buckets belonging to no specific agency. These e-mails consist primarily of office-to-office correspondence, press releases, daily briefings, weekly reports, and legislative reports, concerning American’s with Disabilities. Topics include Presidential Task Force on Employment of Adults with Disabilities, the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial, the disability community, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Americans with Disabilities Act, etc.

Biographical Note

In an interview with Ability magazine, President Clinton stated, “More than ever before, America’s greatness depends on the ability of its citizens to make the most of their lives. Americans with disabilities are an enormous, often untapped reservoir of that potential. Although we are achieving a greater national awareness and sensitivity towards the issues and needs of this community, it is clear that much work remains to be done. Our work will not be finished until all people including those with disabilities are full, active members of their communities, able to pursue their dreams, and able to obtain the support they need to do so.” During President Clinton’s administration, he supported establishing an Office of Disability Policy, Evaluation and Technical Assistance (ODPET) within the Department of Labor (DOL), and improving access for adults with disabilities to employment services. President Clinton worked to extend Medicare access for people with disabilities who work; he enacted the “Ticket to Work” and “Work Incentives Improvement Act;” he directed federal agencies to implement plan for hiring people with disabilities; he sponsored a "Disability Mentoring Day;" he worked to expand hiring opportunities for people with psychiatric disabilities; he signed the Workforce Investment Act of 1998; and he signed an Executive Order in March 1998 establishing the Presidential Task Force on Employment of Adults with Disabilities. President Clinton was not only committed to providing employment for Americans with disabilities, he was also committed to removing barriers that prevented people with disabilities from obtaining basic community services. President Clinton led the fight for enforcement of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Fair Housing Act, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), and other critical civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination against people with disabilities in housing, schools, workplaces, and public areas across the nation. Under the Clinton Administration, the number of positions allocated for ADA enforcement at the Department of Justice (DOJ) increased by 105 percent. President Clinton worked to assure access to community living for the people with disabilities and he worked to stop discrimination against people with AIDS. In addition, President Clinton dedicated the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial. In collaboration with the disability community, the Clinton Administration selected a specific design that shows how FDR became one of our greatest presidents while he had a disability and used a wheelchair.

Record Type

Textual

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in the Clinton Presidential Records: Automated Records Management System [Email]. 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 record email. The ARMS dataset is comprised of 6 sub-series of email records called “Buckets.” The buckets include NPR, OPD, POTUS, WHO, CEA, and Default. ARMS emails are arranged chronologically by creation date.

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Clinton Presidential Records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA) (44 USC 22) 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).

Topical Subjects

Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund
People with disabilities--Employment
People with disabilities--Legal status, laws, etc.
Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (United States)
Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial (Washington, D.C.)
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (United States)
Fair Housing Act (United States)

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Container List

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