Extent

18 folders, 781 pages

Summary

This collection consists of records related to Proposition 209, a California ballet proposition passed on November 5, 1996, which amended the California constitution to prohibit “preferential treatment to, any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in the operation of public employment, public education, or public contracting.” This collection consists of memoranda, legal briefs, correspondence, newspaper clippings, and articles.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2008-0309-F are a selective, not necessarily all inclusive, body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related materials. Proposition 209 is a California ballet proposition passed on November 5, 1996, which amended the California constitution to prohibit “preferential treatment to, any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in the operation of public employment, public education, or public contracting.” Since its passing, Prop 209 has been unsuccessfully challenged several times within state courts. Clinton Presidential Records relating to Proposition 209 consist of WHORM Subject Files and White House Staff and Office Files. White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Categories contain memoranda to the President. 2008-0309-F Clinton Library’s web site is http://www.clintonlibrary.gov 2 The White House Staff and Office Files contain memoranda, legal briefs, correspondence, newspaper clippings, and articles relating to Proposition 209 and the lawsuits filed following its passing.

Record Type

Textual

System of Arrangement

Records that were responsive to this FOIA request were found in two collection areas – Clinton Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files and 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 a letter/number combination. 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.

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).

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Staff Archivist , 2010. 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 2008-0309-F:
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Category Case Number
HU Scanned: Case Number 196770SS

HU010 Scanned: Case Number 214004SS

Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files
Chief of Staff
Mathews, Sylvia
(Prop 209) [OA/ID 12122]
Communications
Prop 209 [OA/ID 14295]
Counsel’s Office
Chirwa, Dawn
Affirmative Action Prop 209 [1] [OA/ID 17301]
Affirmative Action Prop 209 [2] [OA/ID 17301]
Affirmative Action Prop 209 [3] [OA/ID 17301]

Affirmative Action Prop 209: Proposition 209 [OA/ID 17301]
Affirmative Action Prop 209: 4-Action Prop 209 Other State Initiatives [OA/ID 17301]
Correia, Eddie
Affirmative Action #3: Proposition 209 [OA/ID 15540]
Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files
Counsel’s Office
Mills, Cheryl
Proposition 209 [OA/ID 13154]
Ruff, Charles
Proposition 209 [OA/ID 17989]
Wallman, Kathy
Proposition 209 [OA/ID CF 849]
Box 2
Domestic Policy Council
Kagan, Elena
Race – Proposition 209 Pleadings [OA/ID 14366]
Press Secretary
Engelbreten, Jenni
Proposition 209 [OA/ID 21378]
Public Liaison
Affirmative Action (Prop 209) [OA/ID 14155]
Proposition 209 [OA/ID 14428]
Women’s Initiative and Outreach
Proposition 209 (California) 11/98 [OA/ID 18613]