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Inventory for FOIA Request 2004-1211-F

Records on Robert T. Stafford

Extent

15 folders

Access

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Provenance

Official records of George Bush's presidency and vice presidency are housed at the George Bush Presidential Library and administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processed By

Staff Archivists, August 2008. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

Related Collections

N/A

Scope and Content

Senator Robert T. (Theodore) Stafford served as a public servant for the State of Vermont most of his adult life. On the State level, he held the office of Deputy Attorney General, Attorney General, Lieutenant Governor, and Governor. In 1960, he was elected to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives and remained there for five terms. Appointed to temporarily fill the vacant Senate seat of Winston Prouty,

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Stafford won the office during the ensuing election and spent over seventeen years as a Senator from Vermont. During that time, he was the Chair of the Committee on Environment and Public Works (1981-1987) and worked to pass the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, which was designed to coordinate federal natural disaster aid. Senator Stafford was well-known for his work on environmentalism and higher education, which was recognized by Congress when they renamed the Federal Guaranteed Student Loan program the Robert T. Stafford Student Loan program in 1988. In 1989, after a long career, Senator Stafford retired and subsequently passed away in 2006.

The Bush Presidential Records include:

The Staff and Office Files contain letters, memos, and printed material. There are letters between Senator Stafford and White House staff regarding various recommendations for positions in the Bush Administration and between Senator Stafford and Secretary of Health and Human Services Otis Bowen regarding Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA); memos discussing possible language choices for Public Law 95-134; and printed material, such as the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act and Miscellaneous Directives of P.L. 100-707, Public Law 93-287, Public Law 93-288, 44 CFR (Parts 206 and 207).

The Bush Vice Presidential Records include:

The Name Files contain letters, memos, and a note. The letters are correspondence between George Bush and Senator Stafford regarding requests for replies to constituents on various issues, introduction of staff members, the Clean Air Act legislation, invitations to events, gifts, and the Rural Development Loan Fund (RDLF); memos are between Vice President Bush and White House staff or between staff members regarding meetings with Senator Stafford, the Clean Air Act legislation, and between George Bush and Barbara Bush about a possible dinner for the Interparliamentary Union; and the note is from George Bush to Senator Stafford discussing the invasion of his Senate office.

The WHORM Subject File categories contain coversheets, invitation, letters, and a note. The coversheets are White House Correspondence Tracking and Scheduling File Tracking Sheets; the invitation is for a tribute to Senator Robert T. Stafford upon his retirement from the Senate; the letters are between Senator Chafee and White House staff regarding an invitation for Vice President Bush to attend the retirement tribute for Senator Stafford; and the note discusses George Bush's reply to the invitation.

The Staff and Office Files contain letters, a list, memos, a photograph, and printed material. The letters are between Senator Stafford and White House staff regarding a photograph taken at a July 30 reception and between Vice President Bush and Senator Stafford regarding the Delegation of Interparliamentary Union and the Clean Air Act, while other letters route correspondence; there is a list of participating Countries in the Committee of Ten Plus; memos between George Bush and White House staff about an event proposed for the Interparliaentary Union "Committee of Ten Plus" meeting in Washington; a copy of a Vice President Bush and Senator Stafford photograph; and a published biography of Robert T. Stafford.

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in four collection areas—Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files; Bush Vice Presidential Records: Name Files; Bush Vice Presidential WHORM Subject Files; and Bush Vice Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files. As policy, WHORM Alphabetical Files and WHORM Subject Files are processed at the document level. 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 WHORM Subject File compiled by the White House Office of Records Management is comprised of a

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series of documents assigned a letter/number combination and filed in a subject category. A complete listing of the subject categories including a detailed description of each category is available in our research room and on our website at http://bushlibrary.tamu.edu/research/find/whorm/whorm.html.

Please note that a single asterisk "*" indicates that the category is entirely processed and open.

The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2004-1211-F.

Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files

Category Case Number

FG006-01* Scanned: Case Numbers 334854

FG053* Scanned: Case Number 102336

HE004-02* Scanned: Case Number 005001

MC003* Unscanned: Case Number 019168

ME001* Scanned: Case Number 001769, 001802

PR005-01 Scanned: Case Number 365339

Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files

Counsels Office

Paoletta, Mark, Files—Subject Files

FEMA [Federal Emergency Management Agency]: Stafford Act for Disaster Declarations [OA/ID 45568]

Office of Legislative Affairs

Hollingsworth, E. Boyd, Files

[Senatorial Correspondence]: Senator Robert T. Stafford [R-VT] [OA/ID 00056] [Senatorial Correspondence]: Senator Robert T. Stafford (ret.)[Retired] (R-VT) [Empty]

[OA/ID 00056]

Policy Development Office

Kuttner, Johannes, Files

Senate Letter to Secretary Bowen from Senators Dole, Cochran, Durenburger and Stafford [OA/ID 05146]

Bush Vice Presidential Records: Name File

Name

Stafford, Robert T.

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VI088 Case Number 570510VP

Bush Vice Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files

Legislative Affairs

Hill Files—Senate Files
Stafford, Robert T., Vermont Senator [OA/ID 14820]

Operations, Administration, and Staff Secretary Office Collamore, Thomas J., Files—Memoranda Files Action Staffing Memos 1/1/87-1/15/87 [OA/ID 14350]

Collamore, Thomas J., Files—Personnel Files
Stafford, Robert T. Honorable [OA/ID 14431]

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