



## George Bush Presidential Library

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### Inventory for FOIA Request 2012-0176-F

## Records on Jose Cabranes

#### **Extent**

7 folders

#### **Access**

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Bush Presidential Records, Bush Vice Presidential Records, and Quayle Vice Presidential Records is governed by the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)(5 USC 552 as amended) and the Presidential Records Act (PRA)(44 USC 22) and therefore records may be restricted in whole or in part in accordance with legal exemptions.

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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, November 2011. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

#### **Scope and Content**

The materials in FOIA 2012-0176-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.

FOIA 2012-0176-F contains material related to Judge Jose Cabranes, who served on the U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut during the George H.W. Bush Administration. When he was appointed in 1979, he became the first Puerto Rican to be appointed to the federal bench in the continental United States. He served in that position until August 1994, when he was appointed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. The records are divided among two record groups: Bush Presidential Records and Bush Vice Presidential Records. The majority of records are Bush Presidential Records.

The Bush Presidential Staff and Office Files include correspondence, memoranda, resume, and printed material maintained by individual staff members and offices. Correspondence consists of a letter from Senator Lieberman in support of nomination of Cabranes to the Second Circuit Court. Memo regards a brief message from John Sununu to C. Boyden Gray regarding the attached Cabranes resume. The resume is a biographical narrative concerning Cabranes' personal and professional background. Printed material contains photocopied pages from the *Supreme Court Reporter*, the *Federal Reporter*, and the *Federal Supplement*. These publications contain judicial opinion and decisions from the U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut during Cabranes' tenure on the bench.

The Bush Vice Presidential Staff and Office Files include correspondence and notes. These materials consist of correspondence regarding unsolicited letters from Luis A. Ferre, Republican National Committee State Chairman for Puerto Rico, in support of nominating Jose Cabranes to the Second Circuit and standard White House letter of response. Notes consist of brief messages from White House staff to the Vice President that letters concerning Cabranes had been received.

### **System of Arrangement**

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in two collection areas—Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office 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 following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2012-0176-F.

### **Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files**

#### Counsels Office

##### Lee S. Liberman Files—Unanswered Staffing WHORM Subject Files

Forwards letter from Sen. Liberman - Recommends Jose Cabranes for Second Circuit Court [OA/ID 45336]

##### Mark Paoletta Files—Judicial Nominations Files

Cabranes, Jose [1] [OA/ID 45534]

Cabranes, Jose [2] [OA/ID 45534]

Cabranes, Jose [3] [OA/ID 45534]

Cabranes, Jose [4] [OA/ID 45534]

Cabranes, Jose [5] [OA/ID 45534]

### **Bush Vice Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files**

#### Office of Operations, Administration, and Staff Secretary

##### Thomas J. Collamore Files—Personnel Files

Cabranes, Jose A., Judge [OA/ID 14412]

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