



## George Bush Presidential Library

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### Inventory for Systematic Request 2013-1209-S

## Records on John Schmitz: Iran Contra Files

#### Extent

20 folders

#### Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Bush 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.

#### Copyright

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#### Provenance

Official records of George Bush's 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 Archivist, October 2013. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

#### Related Collections

Related material may be found in FOIA request 2011-2184-F entitled "Iran-Contra."

#### Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2013-1209-S are a systematically processed body of documents from the files of John Schmitz, who served as Deputy Counsel to the Vice President. The materials 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. At this time the majority of the records in this request are security classified and have been closed under the restrictions of the Freedom of Information Act.

The documents to be opened include memoranda, lists, press releases, and printed material. Memoranda

include staff memos regarding formal document request and guidance for compliance with full query of all relevant records in response to the request by the Independent Counsel and Congressional Committees in connection with the Iran/Contra investigation, and transmittal memos of documents and indexes produced in response to the request. Also included are memos concerning press guidance and media interview requests. Lists contain inventory of records responsive to the formal documents request, as well as a list of offices with no responsive documents to submit for the request. Press releases consist of public statements and Vice Presidential remarks. Printed material includes newspaper articles on the investigation and final report.

### **System of Arrangement**

Records that are responsive to this request were found in one collection area—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 folders processed in response to 2013-1209-S.

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

#### Counsellor's Office

##### John Schmitz Files—Iran Contra Files

Iran/Contra Investigations: Secretary's Office Document [OA/ID 19901]  
[Iran/Contra Investigations]: [Untitled Folder—Iran Contra Document Requests and Contacts] [1] [OA/ID19901]  
[Iran/Contra Investigations]: [Untitled Folder—Iran Contra Document Requests and Contacts] [2] [OA/ID 19901]  
Iran/Contra Investigations: Advance Office Documents [OA/ID 19901]  
Iran/Contra Investigations: Press Office Documents [1] [OA/ID 19901]  
Iran/Contra Investigations: Press Office Documents [2] [OA/ID 19901]  
[Iran/Contra Investigations]: [Untitled Folder - Iran/Contra Investigations; Alternative Fuel Standards Bills] [1] [OA/ID 19904]  
[Iran/Contra Investigations]: [Untitled Folder - Iran/Contra Investigations; Alternative Fuel Standards Bills] [2] [OA/ID 19904]  
Iran/Contra Investigations: Committee Report [OA/ID 19904]  
Iran/Contra Investigations: [Caspar] Weinberger Testimony [1] [OA/ID 19912]  
Iran/Contra Investigations: [Caspar] Weinberger Testimony [2] [OA/ID 19912]  
[Untitled Folder: Iran/Contra Investigations: [Caspar] Weinberger Testimony] [1] [OA/ID 19912]  
[Untitled Folder: Iran/Contra Investigations: [Caspar] Weinberger Testimony] [2] [OA/ID 19912]  
[Untitled Folder: Iran/Contra Investigations: [Caspar] Weinberger Testimony] [3] [OA/ID 19912]  
Iran/Contra Investigations: May 2 Deposition—J. [John] Poindexter [1] [OA/ID 19912]  
Iran/Contra Investigations: May 2 Deposition—J. [John] Poindexter [2] [OA/ID 19912]  
Iran/Contra Investigations: [Edwin] Meese Testimony [1] [OA/ID 19912]  
Iran/Contra Investigations: [Edwin] Meese Testimony [2] [OA/ID 19912]  
Iran/Contra Investigations: [Edwin] Meese Testimony [3] [OA/ID 19912]  
Iran/Contra Investigations: [Edwin] Meese Testimony [4] [OA/ID 19912]

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