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Inventory for FOIA Request 2014-0042-F

Drafts of the 2002 State of the Union Address

Extent

78 folders, approximately 5,370 pages / 249 assets

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to George W. Bush 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 George W. Bush's presidency are housed at the George W. Bush Presidential Library and administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processing by

Staff Archivists, 2015. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 08/08/2025

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2014-0042-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 2014-0042-F contains materials related to drafts of the 2002 State of the Union Address.

This FOIA primarily contains drafts of the 2002 State of the Union Address. This material ranges from draft #1 through draft #33 and includes the copy that President George W. Bush used at the lectern in the Capitol. Also included are speech planning materials from White House staffers discussing speech content and wording; emails transmitting speech drafts; guest lists for the First Lady's box; documents regarding the production of speech booklets that were given to members of Congress; scheduling materials; and correspondence.

It should be noted that many of the documents listed here have been closed to National Security classification and/or exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 2014-0042-F are a systematic body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

FOIA request 2014-0042-F contains records on drafts of the 2002 State of the Union Address.

Documents responsive to this FOIA were found in these collection areas – White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files, Staff Member Office Files, and George W. Bush Presidential Electronic Records.

WHORM Subject Files are processed at the document level.

The WHORM Subject File compiled by the White House Office of Records Management is comprised of a 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 www.georgewbushlibrary.smu.edu

Staff Member Office Files are maintained at the folder level by staff members within their individual offices and document all levels of administration activity.

Staff Member 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 Executive Office of the President (EOP) instance of the Electronic Records Archive (ERA) contains electronic records created or received by President George W. Bush. These records are stored in Search and Access Sets (SAS) that represent their originating computer program, such as Exchange Email or the Worker and Visitor Entry System (WAVES). In addition to records captured from the White House's electronic systems, EOP-ERA also contains records from the home and shared drives used by White House staff.

George W. Bush Presidential Electronic Records are a unique segment preserved in an electronic system separate from the Electronic Records Archive (ERA). The records are processed by topic, printed, and filed in folders. Folders are arranged by Search and Access Set and thereunder by date.

George W. Bush Presidential Electronic Records contain electronic records created or received by members of the White House staff, as well as the Commission on Weapons of Mass Destruction. These frequently classified records document the daily constitutional and statutory duties carried out by the George W. Bush administration and include record types such as email, email attachments, Night Notes, and cables.

The following is a list of electronic search results lists (SRLs) and folders processed in response to FOIA 2014-0042-F:

George W. Bush Electronic Records

ARMS contains 165 assets.

NSC contains 3 assets.

WHO contains 81 assets.

George W. Bush Textual Records

Box 1

Records Management, White House Office of

Subject Files - FG001-07 (Briefing Papers)

01/27/2002 [460714]

01/29/2002 [460716]

Subject Files - SP230-02 (Address Before A Joint Session of the Congress, State of the Union)

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Staff Member Office Files

Chief of Staff, White House Office of

Reynolds, Tim - Printed Materials

[Printed Materials - State of the Union, 01/29/2002]

Communications, White House Office of

Sforza, Scott - Subject Files

State of the Union (Tuesday, 01/29/2002)

State of the Union

State of the Union, Address to the 107th Congress, Second Session, 01/29/2002

Counsel's Office, White House

Miers, Harriet E. - Speech Files

State of the Union #8 with edits and #9

Counselor's Office

Hughes, Karen - Speech Files

SOTU 2002 [1]

SOTU 2002 [2]

State of the Union Speech 2002 [1]

State of the Union Speech 2002 [2]

State of the Union Speech 2002 [3]
State of the Union Speech 2002 [4]
[State of the Union Speech 2002] [1]
[State of the Union Speech 2002] [2]

Deputy Chief of Staff, White House Office of
Bolten, Joshua (Josh) - Subject Files

State of the Union 2002 (Drafts)

Intergovernmental Affairs, White House Office of
Kelly, James - Subject Files

State of the Union 2002

Management and Administration, White House Office of
Eichelberger, John - Subject Files

State of the Union 2002

Box 2

National Economic Council

Sumerlin, Marc - Subject Files

Miscellaneous: State of the Union Drafts

National Security Council - Intelligence Programs and Reform

Smith, James

State of the Union 2002

National Security Council - National Security Advisor, Office of the

Rice, Condoleezza

Tuesday, 01/29/2002

Speechwriting, White House Office of

Campbell, Anne - Speech Files

State of the Union 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [1]

State of the Union 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [2]

State of the Union 01/29/2002 [Folder 2] [1]

State of the Union 01/29/2002 [Folder 2] [2]

State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 1] [1]

State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 1] [2]

State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 1] [3]

State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 2] [1]

State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 2] [2]
State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 2] [3]
State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 3] [1]
State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 3] [2]
State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 3] [3]
State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 4] [1]
State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 4] [2]
State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 4] [3]
State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 5] [1]
State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 5] [2]
State of the Union 01/29/2002 Drafts [Folder 5] [3]

Reilly, Jeannette - Speech Files

State of the Union 01/29/2002 [1]
State of the Union 01/29/2002 [2]
State of the Union 01/29/2002 [3]

Box 3

Staff Secretary, White House Office of the

Miers, Harriet E. - Presidential Remarks

State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [1]
State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [2]
State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [3]
State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [4]
State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [5]
State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [6]
State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [7]
State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [8]
State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [9]
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State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [11]
State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [12]
State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [13]
State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [14]
State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [15]

State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 1] [16]

State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 2] [1]

State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 2] [2]

Box 4

Staff Secretary, White House Office of the

Miers, Harriet E. - Presidential Remarks

State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 2] [3]

State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 2] [4]

State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 3] [1]

State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 3] [2]

State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 3] [3]

State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 3] [4]

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State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 3] [6]

State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 3] [7]

State of the Union Address, 01/29/2002 [Folder 3] [8]

Strategic Initiatives, White House Office of

Rove, Karl - Subject Files

SOTU Strategy [1]

SOTU Strategy [2]

State of the Union (SOTU) Drafts

George W. Bush Presidential Electronic Records

Email

TS Email (November) 2001

TS Email (December) 2001

TS Email (January) 2002