



Inventory for FOIA Request 2015-0037-F

Records Related to James Dobson

Extent

146 folders, approximately 9,477 pages / 562 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, 2016. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 05/06/2025

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2015-0037-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 2015-0037-F contains materials related to James Dobson.

This FOIA primarily contains correspondence, briefings, schedules, seating charts, speech drafts, news articles, publications, printed emails, scheduling requests, routing memoranda, routine forms, presidential message and video requests, invitations to administration officials, policy and job approval polling questions and results, and reports regarding Bush administration hiring and staffing. Also included are White House Office of Public Liaison memoranda outlining office activities and outreach efforts. There are reports containing updates from outside organizations on their efforts to promote Bush administration policy and appointments. Numerous draft copies

of speeches for video-taped messages from President Bush for Focus on the Family, the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice are represented. The large quantity of correspondence consists of letters from the public, Congress, and public and private organizations regarding requests for meetings and views on policy topics. There are also draft and final copies of letters sent from President George W. Bush to meeting participants, letters from Karl Rove thanking associates for their work while he served in the White House, and birthday messages and thank you letters sent from President Bush to James Dobson. The bulk of the material processed for this request was sent to or from Karl Rove.

Electronic records consist of emails to/from James Dobson and members of the White House, especially Tim Goeglein. Emails from Tim Goeglein include materials distributed to groups and organizations such as proclamations, press releases, fact sheets, Statements of Administration Policy, articles, speeches, and transcripts regarding stem cell research, abortion, human cloning, as well as other administration initiatives. There are also invitations and scheduling materials for phone calls and meetings with James Dobson. Lastly, there are messages from James Dobson giving thanks for matters such as the State of the Union address, National Day of Prayer events, nominations and appointments, as well as the materials distributed by Tim Goeglein.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 2015-0037-F are a systematic body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

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.

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.

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

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.

Related Collections and FOIA Requests

Records Management, White House Office of

Subject Files – WE001 (Children)

777111

777111 [Binder 1] [1]

777111 [Binder 1] [2]

777111 [Binder 1] [3]

777111 [Binder 1] [4]

777111 [Binder 2] [1]

777111 [Binder 2] [2]

777111 [Binder 2] [3]

777111 [Binder 2] [4]

Subject Files – WE003 (Population Control)

496402 – 496464

The following is a list of electronic search results lists (SRLs) and folders processed in response to FOIA 2015-0037-F:

Please note that a * indicates that the collection is entirely processed and open. A more detailed description of the material is available in the finding aid for that office or category.

George W. Bush Electronic Records

ARMS_fromDobson contains 1 asset.

ARMS_TO_Addresses contains 1 asset.

ARMS_toDobson contains 22 assets.

Exchange_FROM_Addresses contains 2 assets.

Exchange_fromDobson contains 79 assets.

Exchange_FROM_DobsonAddress contains 76 assets.

Exchange_TO_Addresses contains 5 assets.

Exchange_toDobson contains 190 assets.

Exchange_TO_DobsonAddress contains 175 assets.

Exchange_21Days_From contains 1 asset.

Exchange_21Days_To contains 1 asset.

Exchange_33Days_From contains 3 assets.

Exchange_33Days_To contains 1 asset.

Exchange_40Days_From contains 1 asset.

Exchange_40Days_To contains 3 assets.

RNC_TO contains 1 asset.

George W. Bush Textual Records

Box 1

Records Management, White House Office of

Subject Files - ED (Education)*

485119 – 486635

Subject Files - FG001-05 (Presidential Handwriting - Holographs)

490186

Subject Files - FG001-07 (Briefing Papers)

05/03/2001 [460583]

06/28/2002 [460874]

02/28/2003 [539668]

11/05/2003 [601624]

06/02/2004 [627934]

12/01/2005 [682854] [1]

12/01/2005 [682854] [2]

01/29/2007 [718507]

05/28/2008 [758280]

Subject Files - FG006-03A (Chief of Staff, Office Files)

555041

697860

Subject Files - FG006-06 (National Security Council)

774237

Subject Files - FG006-27 (Office of Senior Advisor - Karl Rove)

508441 [1]

508441 [2]

508470 [1]

Box 2

Subject Files - FG006-27 (Office of Senior Advisor - Karl Rove)

508470 [2]

508471 [1]

508471 [2]

508482 [1]
508482 [2]
508581 [1]
508581 [2]
508628 [1]
508628 [2]
508639 [1]
508639 [2]
508641 [1]
508641 [2]
508642 [1]
508642 [2]
508648 [1]

Box 3

Subject Files - FG006-27 (Office of Senior Advisor - Karl Rove)

508648 [2]
527806
527868
536004 [1]
536004 [2]
536005 [1]
536005 [2]
536025 [1]
536025 [2]
536123 [1]
536123 [2]
536125 [1]
536125 [2]
536125 [3]
536138 [1]
536138 [2]

Box 4

Subject Files - FG006-27 (Office of Senior Advisor - Karl Rove)

536140 [1]
536140 [2]
536140 [3]
549271 [1]
549271 [2]
576011 [1]
576011 [2]
576011 [3]
577698
577733
600826 [1]
600826 [2]
601804 [1]
601804 [2]
607825 [1]
607825 [2]
612727 [1]

Box 5

Subject Files - FG006-27 (Office of Senior Advisor - Karl Rove)

612727 [2]
616199 [1]
616199 [2]
616199 [3]
650569 [1]
650569 [2]
650569 [3]
650569 [4]
652618 [1]
652618 [2]
652801 [1]
652801 [2]
655738
674668 [1]

Box 6

Subject Files - FG006-27 (Office of Senior Advisor - Karl Rove)

674668 [2]

674668 [3]

676690 [1]

676690 [2]

676690 [3]

683174 [1]

683174 [2]

683174 [3]

684519 [1]

684519 [2]

684519 [3]

694616

695746

708910

Box 7

Subject Files - FG006-27 (Office of Senior Advisor - Karl Rove)

712475

712476

736594

Subject Files - FG006-30 (Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy, Office Files)

698570

749148

Subject Files - GI002 (Gifts to the President)

564211

Subject Files - MC (Meetings - Conferences)

718040 [1]

718040 [2]

718040 [3]

Subject Files - MC003 (White House Conferences)

524763

Subject Files - ME001 (Messages Sent to Individuals)

554478

621781

717961

723982

Subject Files - ME001-02 (Messages - Birthday Greetings)

619094

691460

Subject Files - ME002 (Messages Sent to Groups / Organizations)

497953

Subject Files - PE002 (Employment - Appointments)

479719 Folder 9

488341 Folder 6 [1]

488341 Folder 6 [2]

488341 Folder 6 [3]

Subject Files - PP005-01 (First Lady)

457108

492009

Subject Files - PR005-01 (Photographs Granted)

502500

Subject Files - PR010 (Motion Pictures)

527101

Subject Files - SC (Sciences)

485120

Presidentials - FG006-27 (Office of Senior Advisor - Karl Rove)

576031 [1]

576031 [2]

Box 8

Presidentials - FG006-27 (Office of Senior Advisor - Karl Rove)

576032 [1]

576032 [2]

576032 [3]

Presidentials - ME001-03 (Messages - Condolence/Death)

702644

Staff Member Office Files

Domestic Policy Council - National AIDS Policy

Thompson, Carol - Subject Files

Focus on the Family

Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, White House Office of

Wills, Katherine (Kathy) - Organization Files

Focus on the Family

Presidential Correspondence, Office of

Hanusa, Mary Ann - Correspondence

671786 [1]

671786 [2]

671786 [3]

671786 [4]

Box 9

Presidential Correspondence, Office of

Hanusa, Mary Ann - Correspondence

748269 Folder 3 [1]

748269 Folder 3 [2]

748269 Folder 3 [3]

748269 Folder 3 [4]

748269 Folder 3 [5]

Public Liaison, White House Office of

Smith, Matthew (Matt)

Focus on the Family 25th Anniversary Celebration 07/27/2002

Focus on the Family Briefing, Tuesday, 10/14/2003, 9:00am-11:00am

Focus on the Family Visit (Wednesday, 05/28/2003)

Visit to Focus on the Family Headquarters, Thursday, 03/11/2004

Speechwriting, White House Office of

Campbell, Anne

Video Tapings [Focus on the Family, National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice 29th Annual Conference, Daughters of the American Revolution], 06/28/2002 [1]

Video Tapings [Focus on the Family, National Association of Blacks in Criminal

Justice 29th Annual Conference, Daughters of the American Revolution],
06/28/2002 [2]

Reilly, Jeannette

Video: Focus on the Family, 06/29/2002

Staff Secretary, White House Office of the

Miers, Harriet E. - Presidential Remarks

Video Taping: Focus on the Family - 06/28/2002 [763603]

Strategic Initiatives, White House Office of

Rove, Karl - Subject Files

Dobson [James]