



George W. Bush
Presidential Library

Inventory for FOIA Request 2025-0033-F

Correspondence Related to Nancy Reagan's April 2001 Letter to President George W. Bush Regarding Stem Cell Research

Extent

2 folders, approximately 46 pages / 21 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 22, as amended) 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 are administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processing by

Staff Archivists, 2025. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 11/17/2025

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2025-0033-F are a selective, not necessarily all inclusive, body of records responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

FOIA 2025-0033-F requested materials related to Nancy Reagan's April 2001 letter to President George W. Bush asking him to support human embryonic stem cell research.

This FOIA primarily contains copies of the letter from Nancy Reagan and drafts of replies from President George W. Bush.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 2025-0033-F are a systematic body of records responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

Records 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.

The White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) contains a variety of series created to organize and track documents and correspondence. The WHORM Subject Files and Alpha Files were compiled by staff in the White House Office of Records Management and are a series of documents assigned a letter/number combination and filed in a series of categories by subject. WHORM Subject Files and WHORM Alpha Files are processed at the document level.

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.

The following is a list of electronic search results lists (SRLs) and folders processed in response to FOIA 2025-0033-F:

George W. Bush Electronic Records

ARMS contains 21 assets, all of which are released in full.

George W. Bush Textual Records

Box 1

Records Management, White House Office of

Subject Files – HE001 (Diseases - Disabilities)

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Staff Member Office Files

Communications, White House Office of

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Health Events: [Loose Documents - Stem Cell Letter from Nancy Reagan and Diabetes Information]