Betty Rainwater: A Guide to Her Papers at the Jimmy Carter Library

Collection Summary

Creator: Betty Rainwater

Title: Betty Rainwater Papers

Dates: 1975-1976

Quantity: 2 linear feet, 2 linear inches; 5 containers

Identification:
Accession Number: 14-01.a
National Archives Identifier: 102251115

Scope and Content:
This material in this collection consists of memorandums, correspondence, schedules, reports, press clippings, brochures, and handwritten notes. These materials relate to Betty Rainwater’s role as Deputy Press Secretary for the 1976 Campaign.

Creator Information: Betty Rainwater
Betty Rainwater served as Deputy Press Secretary to President Carter during the 1976 and 1980 campaigns. As Deputy Press Secretary, she was responsible for all contacts with the working press to insure that all campaign trips and activities were properly covered by the electronic and print media. She was also responsible for the printing and distribution of Jimmy Carter’s public statements. She also worked in the Chief of Staff’s Office in the White House.

Restrictions:
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Related Material:
Related materials in this repository: Records of the 1976 Campaign Committee to Elect Jimmy Carter

Index Terms:
Limited to major topics under each category
Persons: Betty Rainwater

Organizations: 1976 Carter/Mondale Campaign Committee

Subjects: Campaign finance, education, judicial reform

Types of Material: Correspondence, memoranda, press releases, printed material

Administrative Information:
Preferred citation: [Type of Document], [Names of Sender and Recipient or Title of Document], [Date], [Collection Title], [Series Title], [Folder Title], [Box Number], Jimmy Carter Presidential Library.

Acquisition information: These donated historical materials were received under provisions of the instrument of gift that Betty Rainwater signed March 7, 2014.

Processing information: The first series of the collection was opened in October 2019.

System of Arrangement:
The records of the Betty Rainwater Papers are divided into one series:

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Detailed Description of the Collection

**Betty Rainwater’s 1976 Campaign Press Files**
Scope and Content: Containers 1-5. This series was opened in October 2019. The series consist of correspondence, memoranda, press releases, travel schedules, field reports, lists of supporters, and handwritten notes. Topics includes campaign finance, education, women, foreign policy and healthcare. The material relates to her role as Deputy Secretary during during Jimmy Carter’s campaign for governor of Georgia and the 1976 campaign for president. Arranged alphabetically by subject.

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