David Linowes Papers: A Guide to His Papers at the Jimmy Carter Library

Collection Summary

Creator: David Linowes, 1917-

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Scope and Content:
This collection mainly contains material reflecting David Linowes’ role as Chair of the federally appointed Privacy Protection Study Commission (PPSC). Materials consist of correspondence, memorandums, reports, addresses, statements, speeches, legislative testimony, news articles, publications, book drafts, and background information on symposiums and conferences.

Creator Information: David Linowes
David Linowitz was born March 16, 1917, in Trenton, New Jersey. His eldest brother, was the late Sol M. Linowitz, a prominent lawyer, businessman and diplomat. He was a 1941 honors graduate of the University of Illinois and afterward served in the Army Signal Corps during World War II. He became a certified public accountant (CPA) in Washington, and from 1965 to 1975 was a partner in New York for an auditing and management consulting company that became known as Laventhol & Horwath. He began teaching at the University of Illinois in the 1970’s.

Mr. Linowes was a professor emeritus of public policy and political economy at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He had long balanced careers in the public and private sectors, starting in the 1960s, when he was a mergers and acquisitions specialist in New York and headed U.N. trade missions to Europe and Asia. From 1975 to 1977, he chaired the federally appointed Privacy Protection Study Commission. A national privacy act, passed as a Watergate-era reform, created the commission to recommend ways of protecting personal data held by government agencies and the private sector.
His experience in government and business led to his chairing of federal commissions on privacy, energy resources, coal and privatization -- many of which issued controversial reports. The last, conducted in the late 1980s, called for the widespread privatization of government services including mail delivery, air traffic control and prison operations. Mr. Linowes also led civic and professional groups and sat on corporate boards, among them Piper Aircraft and the conglomerate Chris-Craft Industries. His books include "Managing Growth through Acquisition" (1968), "Privacy in America" (1989), "Living through 50 Years of Economic Progress with 10 Presidents" (2000) and a memoir, "Creating Public Policy" (1998).

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Index Terms:
Limited to major topics under each category
Persons: David Linowes

Organizations: Privacy Protection Study Commission

Subjects: Privacy, Privacy Protection, Public Policy; Computer Technology

Types of Material: Correspondence, memorandums, reports, addresses, statements, speeches, legislative testimony, news articles, book drafts, publications, background information

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**David Linowes’ Subject Files**
Scope and Content: Containers 1-15. This series was opened in 2016. This series consists of correspondence, memorandums, reports, addresses, statements and speeches; legislative testimony, news articles, book drafts, and background information on various conferences. The materials relate to the Privacy Protection Study Commission that David Linowes was head of under President Ford and President Carter. Much of the material is relative to numerous privacy issues concerning bankers, direct mail marketing, computer science security, and the insurance industry. Arranged alphabetically by folder titles.

**David Linowes’ Publication Files**
Scope and Content: Containers 16-27. This series was opened in 2016. This series contains published materials relating to privacy issues such as hearing testimonies before various subcommittees, reports to Congress, working papers, and proposals from research centers, government agencies, businesses, and universities. Arranged alphabetically by folder titles.

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