

# George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum

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## **Inventory for FOIA Request 2014-0157-F**

# **Records on the Skull and Bones Society**

#### **Extent**

38 folders, approximately 1,650 pages / 1,356 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.

### Copyright

Documents in this collection that were prepared by officials of the United States government as part of their official duties are in the public domain. Researchers are advised to consult the copyright law of the United States (Title 17, USC) which governs the making of photocopies or other reproductions of copyrighted material.

#### **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: 07/20/2020

#### **Scope and Content**

The materials in FOIA 2014-0157-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 2014-0157-F contains materials related to the Skull and Bones Society.

The textual component of this FOIA primarily contains correspondence, administrative forms, routing memoranda, printed emails, published articles and reports, internet printouts, weather reports, printed images, and a speech draft. Also included is correspondence from individuals, organizations, and children to President George W. Bush, Laura Bush, Andrew Card, and Karl Rove; routine memoranda regarding government awards and promotions; and draft correspondence from the White House with background material.

The electronic component of this FOIA primarily contains news articles, summaries, headlines and newsletters. Also included are LexisNexis update reports, Google alerts, web pages, and public correspondence. Additional materials include vetting materials, emails related to scheduled events, a phone message, a press briefing on Turkey, a register of Frederick Law Olmsted's papers at the Library of Congress, requests for comments from the press, and a request for Vice President Richard B. Cheney to attend William F. Buckley's memorial service.

## **System of Arrangement**

The materials in FOIA 2014-0157-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.

The following is a list of electronic search results lists (SRLs) and folders processed in response to FOIA 2014-0157-F:

#### George W. Bush Electronic Records

ARMS contains 266 assets. Exchange contains 871 assets. Exchange 21 Days contains 2 assets. Exchange 33 Days contains 7 assets.

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Exchange 40 Days contains 33 assets.
OA contains 7 assets.
RNC_PST contains 155 assets.
WHO contains 15 assets.
George W. Bush Textual Records
Box 1
Records Management, White House Office of
    Subject Files
              638933
    Subject Files - FG006-03A (Chief of Staff, Office Files)
              501404 [1]
              501404 [2]
              501409
              555003 [1]
              555003 [2]
    Subject Files - FG006-27 (Office of Senior Advisor - Karl Rove)
              576011 [1]
              576011 [2]
              576011 [3]
              611018 [1]
              611018 [2]
              611018 [3]
              626967 [1]
              626967 [2]
              626967 [3]
    Subject Files - MA018 (Enrico Fermi Award)
              775667
    Subject Files - ME001 (Messages Sent to Individuals)
              579076
Box 2
    Subject Files - ME001 (Messages Sent to Individuals)
              644091
              686366
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Subject Files - ME001-03 (Messages - Condolence/Death)
              744743
    Subject Files - ME002 (Messages Sent to Groups / Organizations)
              555256
              740839
   Subject Files - PL003 (Messages, Political - Sent or Denied)
              676675
   Subject Files - PP (Presidential Personal)
              512388
              719447
              720222
    Subject Files - PP005-01 (First Lady)
              482726
              563423 [1]
              563423 [2]
   Subject Files - PP010-01 (Birthday, Messages Received by the President)
              701803
    Subject Files - PR005-01 (Photographs Granted)
              690992
    Subject Files - PR010 (Motion Pictures)
              615744
Staff Member Office Files
    Appointments and Scheduling, White House Office of
       McCathran, Ellen - Subject Files
              Subject: Skull & Bones Society
       Presidential Daily Diary
              10/15/2001
              06/05/2002
              04/03/2003
              04/09/2003
   Staff Secretary, White House Office of the
       Kavanaugh, Brett - Speech Files
              03/24/2004 - Radio and TV Correspondents Dinner [767221]
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