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Inventory for FOIA Request 2014-0502-F

Records on a Letter from White House Counsel to the General Accounting Office That Was Written on June 5, 2001 Detailing Damage to the White House During the Clinton/Bush Transition

Extent

5 folders, approximately 508 pages

Access

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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, 2015. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 02/01/2015

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2014-0502-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 2014-0502-F contains materials related to a letter from White House Counsel to the General Accounting Office (GAO) that was written on June 5, 2001, detailing damage to the White House during the Clinton/Bush transition.

This FOIA primarily contains correspondence between Congressman Bob Barr, Congressman Anthony Weiner, GAO, General Services Administration (GSA), Office of Administration (OA), and the White House Counsel's Office regarding inquiries into damage to the White House

during the 2001 presidential transition. Correspondence is mainly between GAO and Courtney Elwood, including requests from GAO for interviews and documents, and responses from Courtney Elwood. These include copies of documents sent to GAO such as bank statements, invoices, cost estimates, an excess property report, facility requests, telephone service requests, telephone service orders, billing records, and the Executive Office of the President Telephone Directory from March 2000. Other correspondence includes a letter from Congressman Anthony Weiner to President George W. Bush and a letter from Alberto Gonzales to Congressman Anthony Weiner.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 2014-0502-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 – Staff Member Office Files.

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 following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2014-0502-F:

Staff Member Office Files

Counsel's Office, White House

Elwood, Courtney Simmons

Binder – GAO/Vandalism – Other [1]

Binder – GAO/Vandalism – Other [2]

Binder – GAO/Vandalism – Other [3]

Binder – GAO/Vandalism – Other [4]

Binder – GAO/Vandalism – Other [5]

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