Inventory for Request 2018-0009-P

The Nomination and Appointment of Brett Kavanaugh as Judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit

Extent
43 folders, approximately 3,826 pages

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.

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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, 2018. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 07/28/2018.

Scope and Content
The materials in 2018-0009-P are a selective, not necessarily all inclusive, body of documents responsive to the topic of the request. Researchers should consult the archivist about related materials.

Request 2018-0009-P consists of materials related to the nomination and appointment of Brett Kavanaugh as judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

This grouping of records primarily contains fact sheets, briefings, correspondence, biographical information, press releases, internet printouts, articles from journals and publications, charts, printed emails, and administrative documents such as fax cover sheets, forms, and routing memos. Correspondence includes letters from Congressmen, friends, and former colleagues recommending Brett Kavanaugh for a judgeship on the U.S. Court of Appeals as well as
congratulatory letters from President George W. Bush to various newly appointed judges. There is a transcript of Kavanaugh’s confirmation hearing that includes biographical information, a prepared statement, and questions from senators with answers from Kavanaugh. There are multiple copies of binders prepared specifically on Kavanaugh by the White House Office of Legislative Affairs which contain biographical information, statements by supporters, fact sheets containing responses to allegations, editorials, and letters of support. Fact sheets discuss topics including Kavanaugh’s young age at nomination, his involvement in the Starr investigation of President Clinton, his work involving Elian Gonzalez, his role in Bush administration policy and judicial appointments, his writings, and other legal cases of note. There are documents related to the composition of the DC circuit court and its case load as well as the ages of various judges at nomination. Additionally, there are some records related to the nominations of other judges including biographical information, fact sheets, published articles, and briefings.

System of Arrangement
The materials in 2018-0009-P are a systematic body of documents responsive to the topic of the request. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

Documents responsive to this request were found in these collection areas – White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files and Staff Member Office Files.

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.

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 2018-0009-P:

Box 1
Records Management, White House Office of

Subject Files - FG050 (Judicial Branch)
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Subject Files - FG052 (United States Court of Appeals)
Subject Files - FG059 (Courts of the District of Columbia)

Subject Files - PE002-01 (Policy Positions)

Subject Files - PE009 (Retirement, Federal)

Staff Member Office Files

Counsel's Office, White House

Burck, William (Bill) - Subject Files

Kavanaugh, [Brett]

Campagna, Dianna

Brett M. Kavanaugh, Nominee to the D.C. Circuit [1]
Brett M. Kavanaugh, Nominee to the D.C. Circuit [2]
Brett M. Kavanaugh, Nominee to the D.C. Circuit [3]
Brett M. Kavanaugh, Nominee to the D.C. Circuit [4]
Brett M. Kavanaugh, Nominee to the D.C. Circuit [5]

Box 2

Counsel's Office, White House

Campagna, Dianna

Brett M. Kavanaugh, Nominee to the D.C. Circuit [6]
Brett M. Kavanaugh, Nominee to the D.C. Circuit [7]

Coffina, Scott

DC Circuit 11th/12th Seat: [Case Load]

DC Circuit 11th/12th Seat: DC Circuit 11th/12th Seat

Courtwright, Susan - Nominations Files

Judicial Nominations - Miscellaneous 2003: 05/16/2003
Binder - POTUS 05/16/2003
Binder - POTUS Duplicate 05/16/2003

Friedrich, Dabney Langhorne - Nominations Files

Brett Kavanaugh Binder [1]
Brett Kavanaugh Binder [2]
Brett Kavanaugh Binder [3]
Brett Kavanaugh Binder [4]

Perkins, Paul

Brett Kavanaugh Legislative Binder
Nominees - Supporting Materials [1]

Box 3
Counsel's Office, White House

Perkins, Paul

Nominees - Supporting Materials [2]
Nominees - Supporting Materials [3]

Rao, Neomi

[Brett Kavanaugh] [1]
[Brett Kavanaugh] [2]
[Brett Kavanaugh]: DC Circuit Facts
[Brett Kavanaugh]: Kavanaugh - 2006
[Brett Kavanaugh]: Kavanaugh - ABA (American Bar Association)
[Brett Kavanaugh]: Kavanaugh - Letters & OpEds
[Brett Kavanaugh]: TPs (Talking Points)

Brett M. Kavanaugh [1]
Brett M. Kavanaugh [2]

Box 4
Counsel's Office, White House

Rao, Neomi

Brett M. Kavanaugh [3]
Brett M. Kavanaugh [4]

Binder - Brett M. Kavanaugh, Nominee to the DC Circuit
CADC (Court of Appeals DC Circuit) Kavanaugh [1]
CADC (Court of Appeals DC Circuit) Kavanaugh [2]
CADC (Court of Appeals DC Circuit) Kavanaugh [3]

Walker, Helgard (Helgi)

Binder - Judicial and U.S. Marshal Selection Meeting with the President,
05/16/2003