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Inventory for FOIA Request 2016-0206-F

Records on the Postal Regulatory Commission and the Postal Rate Commission

Extent

49 folders, approximately 2,551 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, 2018. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 06/26/2018

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2016-0206-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 2016-0206-F requested materials from the Staff Member Office Files (SMOF) related to the Postal Regulatory Commission, formerly the Postal Rate Commission.

This FOIA primarily contains public and congressional correspondence, and White House memoranda, regarding appointments to the Postal Rate Commission; presentations with statistical information related to the United States Postal Service; transcripts of hearing testimony related to postal reform; and drafts of legislation. Published materials include news articles, webpage printouts, and public reports. A small amount of press releases, talking points, and

scheduling material are also included. Some of the material in this FOIA was produced by the USPS.

The 1970 Postal Reorganization Act established the Postal Rate Commission. The Commission's purview included postal rate changes, changes in classification of mail, and postal service. It also was charged with providing advice to the Board of Governors of the United States Postal Service. Under the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act of 2006, the Postal Rate Commission became the Postal Regulatory Commission, with greater oversight of regulations impacting the USPS.

NOTE: the Postal Rate/Regulatory Commission should not be confused with the President's Commission on the United States Postal Service, created via executive order by President George W. Bush in December 2002. This presidential commission, tasked with devising recommendations on postal reform, issued its report in July 2003.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 2016-0206-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 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 and Office Files are maintained at the folder level by staff members within their individual offices and document all levels of administration activity.

Staff Member and 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 2016-0206-F:

Box 1

Records Management, White House Office of

Subject Files – FG269-03 (Postal Rate Commission) 479888

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Staff Member Office Files

Council of Economic Advisers

Baicker, Kate – Subject Files

Postal

Falaschetti, Dino – Subject Files

Postal Reform

Furchgott-Roth, Diana – Subject Files

Postal

Geddes, Richard – Subject Files

USPS (United States Postal Service) - Postal Reform [1]

USPS (United States Postal Service) - Postal Reform [2]

Hubbard, R. Glenn – Subject Files

Postal Reform

Counsel's Office, White House

Monheim, Thomas (Tom) – Subject Files

Miscellaneous: Postal Reform

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Stanton, Cheryl – Subject Files
              PPO Old Positions: U.S. Postal Rate Commission
  Domestic Policy Council
    Colucci, Marlene – Subject Files
              Postal Commission / USPS
              Postal - Postal Commission Chart
              Postal Reform [Folder 1] [1]
              Postal Reform [Folder 1] [2]
Box 2
  Domestic Policy Council
    Colucci, Marlene – Subject Files
              Postal Reform II
              Postal White Paper
              US Postal [1]
              US Postal [2]
    Dougherty, Elizabeth (Liz) – Subject Files
              Postal Commission - Rollout
              Postal Reform Principles
    Sharp, Jess - Subject Files
              Postal Recommendations [1]
              Postal Recommendations [2]
    Simmons, Kristine - Subject Files
              Postal Reform [1]
Box 3
  Domestic Policy Council
    Simmons, Kristine – Subject Files
              Postal Reform [2]
              Postal Reform [3]
              Postal Reform - WG
    Yetter, Christopher - Subject Files
              Postal Reform Presentation
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National Economic Council

Lindsey, Lawrence (Larry) - Subject Files

Domestic Policy Council: Postal Rate Commission

Presidential Personnel, White House Office of

Bullock, Katja - Agency Files - Search Files

Postal Rate Commission (FT - PAS)

Bullock, Katja - Candidate Files

Postal Rate Commission

President's Commission on the United States Postal Service

Cox, James - Subject Files

PRC (Postal Rate Commission) Capital One Discussion with Summary [1]

PRC (Postal Rate Commission) Capital One Discussion with Summary [2]

Postal Rate Commission and General Accounting Office Reports

[Binder - President's Commission on the U.S. Postal Service] [1]

[Binder - President's Commission on the U.S. Postal Service] [2]

Public Liaison, White House Office of

Hervey, Tina - Subject Files

Postal Commission