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Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, Office of

Mark Scott

Position: Associate Director for Outreach **Date Ranges:** 2001 **Extent and Forms of Material:** 2 feet, 2 linear inches

Abstract: Mark Scott served as Associate Director for Outreach in the White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives. The majority of his materials relate to outreach and collaboration with religious and community groups.

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Biographical History: A graduate of Northwestern University and Simmons College, Reverend Mark V. Scott worked with religious and non-profit community groups in the Boston area prior to joining the White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives (OFBCI). In the mid-1990s, Scott collaborated with other clergy, community groups, and local government on efforts to reduce gang violence and conduct outreach to Boston's at-risk youth. (*The Boston Strategy to Prevent Youth Violence* is published online at <u>www.bostonstrategy.com</u>.)

In February 2001, Scott joined OFBCI an Associate Director for Outreach. As an early staffer of the Office, Scott's duties centered on collaboration and partnership with other community and religious organizations.

Scott served in the White House through August 2001, after which he joined the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), an independent federal agency focused on promoting community involvement and volunteerism. Beginning in September 2003, Scott spent a year at the National Crime Prevention Council in their Faith and Services Technical Education Network.

Scott continued his work with non-profit community groups from 2004 until 2012 as Director of Community Partnerships with Big Brothers Big Sisters of America in Boston, MA.

Since 2005, Scott has served as pastor of the Azusa Christian Church in Dorchester, Massachusetts. Azusa Christian Church partners with the Ella J. Baker House, a support organization for prisoners re-entering society. Scott previously served as Executive Director of Baker House.

Scope and Content Note: Scott's papers depict two distinct aspects of his work within the White House: administrative requirements and outreach activities. Because Scott was such an early staffer of OFBCI, he worked closely with colleagues in setting up the office operations and establishing outreach policies.

The largest portion of Scott's Administrative Files document administrative activities of the White House offices, including correspondence, meetings, and travel. A smaller portion of the Administrative Files illustrates his close working relationship with Don Eberly, Deputy Director of OFBCI. (It is unclear whether the two shared these files, or if Scott merely maintained and then retired the files on Eberly's behalf.)

Scott's Subject Files reveal more of his day-to-day duties as an Associate Director for Outreach. The bulk of the Subject Files contain published material from outreach organizations; some material was obtained by Scott in preparation for meetings, but additional material was likely sent to OFBCI unsolicited.

Outside of items directly related to his position in outreach, Scott also maintained files relating to the drafting of H.R. 7 (The Community Solutions Act of 2001) and the issue of charitable choice. Introduced in March 2001, H.R. 7 sought to expand Americans' choices in charitable giving and to provide incentives for giving, through tax deductions for both the donor and the receiving organization. The bill became a focal point for OFBCI, as an example of President Bush's compassionate conservatism message and the potential benefits for community and faith-based organizations upon its passing.

System of Arrangement: This series is arranged into two subseries. Both are arranged alphabetically.

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Scott, Mark - Administrative Files

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- 13 Faxes Sent
- 14 Interns: Interview Requests
- 15 Letters for Don Eberly: Advice for Eberly
- 16 Letters for Don Eberly: Commendation for Eberly
- 17 Letters for Don Eberly: DONE [1]
- 18 Letters for Don Eberly: DONE [2]
- 19 Letters for Don Eberly: DONE [3]
- 20 Letters for Don Eberly: Pending [EMPTY]
- 21 Letters for Don Willett: Active
- 22 Mail: Mailing List Active
- 23 Mail: Mailing List Done [EMPTY]
- 24 Mail: Services

25 Mark Scott US Postal Mail (Incoming)

Box 2

Scott, Mark - Administrative Files

- 1 Meeting File: All Faith Consortium Event
- 2 Meeting File: Casey Journalism Center
- 3 Meeting File: DC Day
- 4 Meeting File: [...]
- 5 Meeting File: Muslim Public Affairs Briefing
- 6 Meeting File: Past [1]
- 7 Meeting File: Past [2]
- 8 Meeting File: Past [3]
- 9 Meeting File: Paul Morehead
- 10 Meeting File: Place of Hope
- 11 Meeting File: Search for Common Ground
- 12 Meeting File: Sex Is Not a Game
- 13 Meeting File: Suffolk Community Council
- 14 Meeting File: The Dream Center
- 15 Meeting File: Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations
- 16 Meetings Pending: [CANPO (Colorado Association of Non Profit Organizations)]
- 17 Meetings Pending: Dean Lovett [EMPTY]
- 18 Meetings Pending: I Am for Schools
- 19 Meetings Pending: Mission America
- 20 Meetings Pending: Points of Life Foundation
- 21 [Memoranda]
- 22 Office Miscellaneous [EMPTY]
- 23 Photo Negatives/Don Eberly [EMPTY]
- 24 Policy on Resumes
- 25 Requests for Eberly: Event Requests
- 26 Requests for Eberly: Meeting Requests
- 27 Scheduling Requests: Scheduling Requests
- 28 Scheduling Requests: Teen Pregnancy Month

- 29 Travel Credit Card
- 30 Travel: [Authorization Forms]
- 31 Travel: Expense
- 32 Travel: Reimbursements
- 33 Travel: [Traveler Profile Forms]
- 34 White House Files: Conference Center
- 35 White House Files: Mess
- 36 White House Files: Tours [EMPTY]
- 37 White House Files: Waves

Box 3

Scott, Mark - Subject Files

- 1 Anacostia After Hours Gracious Arts Program
- 2 Apple Tree Institute
- 3 Approved Presidential Activities
- 4 ASSETS (A Service for Self-Employed Training and Support)
- 5 Bible Study
- 6 Biographies
- 7 Black Church
- 8 Blair Television
- 9 Boys and Girls Harbor
- 10 Chamberlain Hunt Military Academy
- 11 Chapel of Hope
- 12 Charitable Choice [1]
- 13 Charitable Choice [2]
- 14 Charitable Choice [3]
- 15 Charitable Choice: Executive Order for OFBCI
- 16 Choice for Every Child Foundation
- 17 Community Volunteer Services Award: Jeannie Figg, Social Office [1]
- 18 Community Volunteer Services Award: Jeannie Figg, Social Office [2]

Box 4

Scott, Mark - Subject Files

- 1 Congregational and Community Health Promoter Training Program
- 2 Congregations and Community Outreach Project
- 3 Congress: Clean Diamond Act
- 4 Congressman Christopher Smith [Violence against Women]
- 5 Darrell Green
- 6 Easter Egg Roll
- 7 Fatherhood
- 8 General/African American Communities
- 9 Good Shepherd Housing Foundation
- 10 Gammon and Grange, P.C. [Folder 1]
- 11 Gammon and Grange, P.C. [Folder 2]
- 12 Hampton Community Christian Daycare
- 13 H.R. 7 [Community Solutions Act] [1]
- 14 H.R. 7 [Community Solutions Act] [2]
- 15 H.R. 7 [Community Solutions Act] [3]
- 16 Information Requests: Social Entrepreneur [EMPTY]
- 17 Legislation
- 18 Legislative Strategy [Folder 1]
- 19 Legislative Strategy [Folder 2]
- 20 Matrix

Box 5

Scott, Mark - Subject Files

- 1 Mothers of Preschoolers
- 2 Ohio Grantmakers Forum
- 3 Operation Keepsake
- 4 PAEF (Pennsylvania Alcohol Education Foundation)
- 5 Paul Fleming
- 6 Philadelphia [1]
- 7 Philadelphia [2]
- 8 Phoenix Matchpoint
- 9 Quantum Tech

- 10 Rav Tov
- 11 Religious Supreme Court Cases
- 12 Salem Communications
- 13 Seedco
- 14 So Others Might Eat
- 15 Social Conservatives
- 16 Southern Methodist University
- 17 Speeches by John DiIulio
- 18 State of Louisiana, House of Representatives
- 19 State-Based Family Policy Councils
- 20 Subcommittee on the Constitution