J. Bruce Whelihan Papers, White House Special Files, 1969-1974

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Descriptive Summary

Title: J. Bruce Whelihan Papers, White House Special Files, 1969-1974
Dates: 1969-1974
Collection Number: 6852586
Creator/Collector: Whelihan, J. Bruce, b. 1942
Extent: 4 linear feet, 10 linear inches; 11 boxes
Repository: Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum
Abstract: Bruce Whelihan was a Staff Assistant in the White House Press Office. The files consist primarily of news clippings and related materials pertaining to controversial issues monitored by the Press Office.
Language of Material: English

Access
Collection is open for research. Some materials may be unavailable based upon categories of materials exempt from public release established in the Presidential Recordings and Materials Preservation Act of 1974.

Publication Rights
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Preferred Citation

Acquisition Information
These materials are in the custody of the National Archives and Records Administration under the provisions of Title I of the Presidential Recordings and Materials Preservation Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-526, 88 Stat. 1695) and implementing regulations.

Scope and Content of Collection
J. Bruce Whelihan created these materials during the years 1969-74. During this time he served as a Staff Assistant in the White House Press Office. His principal duties consisted of providing accreditation for journalists who sought access to White House news conferences, supervising the physical arrangements of news conferences in the White House and throughout the country, providing the press with photographs from the White House Photo Office, and monitoring the performance of Public Information Officers in government departments and agencies. The Whelihan materials reflect the White House Press Office's monitoring of controversial issues that appeared in the news media during the Nixon administration. The newspaper clippings, teletype stories, and press releases cover such issues as misuse of Government agencies, Watergate, and impeachment. Many of the newsclopping and press releases relate to campaign finance issues such as ITT and milk support prices. Also included are financial reports, tax forms, and press releases concerning the President's personal finances, particularly his property holdings in Key Biscayne and San Clemente. Other printed material in the files relate to family members Donald and Edward C. Nixon, and Nixon associates Robert H. Abplanalp, C.G. "Bebe" Rebozo, and C. Arnolt Smith. Also included are materials dealing with press office organization and personnel matters. The materials are arranged into three series: Subject Files, Administrative Files, Miscellany.

Additional Finding Aid