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Biographical Note
Born in Los Angeles, California in 1946, Roger Himovitz grew up in Hanford, California. While an undergraduate at the University of Alabama in 1965, Himovitz participated in civil rights activities, including voter registration work for CORE. Roger was a participant in the Bloody Sunday march (March 7, 1965) and was arrested on that day, along with many others. Roger would go on to graduate from UC Berkeley. Intending to study law, Roger volunteered to serve in Vietnam instead, as an engineer with the Navy Seabees, as well as with the "Protein Project." Returning to California after his year of service, Roger entered the family business in construction, eventually settling in Santa Barbara.

Scope and Content
Pre-interview notes and transcript to interview by Zachary Liebhaber with narrator Roger Himovitz at the Himovitz residence in Montecito, California on September 27, 2018. The interview centers on Himovitz's experiences as a participant in the Selma to Montgomery marches in 1965 while an undergraduate at the University of Alabama, as well as Himovitz's meeting with Robert Shelton, Grand Imperial Wizard of the United Klans of America (UKA), that same year.

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