

# **White House Central Files**

## **Staff Member and Office Files**

### **Press Office Files**

The Presidential historical materials of the White House Press Office 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. In accordance with the act and regulations, archivists reviewed the file group to identify personal and private materials (including materials outside the date span covered by the act) as well as nonhistorical items. No items of this nature were found in these files. Through this review, it was also determined that the files did not contain any items which are security classified or otherwise restricted under the act and regulations. Materials covered by the act have been archivally processed and are described in this finding aid.

Linear feet of materials: 52  
Approximate number of pages: 83,200

#### **Organization Note**

The White House Press Office during the Presidency of Richard Nixon was responsible for daily communication with the White House press corps. Ronald L. Ziegler was the Press Secretary to the President for Nixon's entire term in office from January 1969 to August 1974 and Gerald Warren served as the Deputy Press Secretary. The office held daily briefings for the press and produced the White House's press releases.

#### **Scope and Content Note**

The files contain materials produced by the Press Office for distribution to the media. These materials include press releases, press conference transcripts, and other notices to the press. The topics addressed cover the full range of activities and policies of the Nixon White House. The materials are divided into seven series: White House Press Releases, Press Releases Not Released to the Press, First Lady's Press Releases, White House Press Conferences, Official Transcripts of Presidential Press Conferences, Left to Right Identifications, and President's Schedule. Other related materials maybe found in the Ziegler Files and Warren Files of the White House Special Files.

## Series Descriptions

Boxes: 1-50

Series: White House Press Releases

Spans: 1969-1974

Description: This series contains press releases issued by the White House. It includes notices to the press, executive orders, pool reports, presidential statements, biographies of newly appointed officials, the President's schedule, and presidential proclamations. The topics addressed cover the full range of activities and policies of the Nixon White House. Arranged chronologically.

Boxes: 51-52

Series: Press Releases Not Released to the Press

Spans: 1969-1973

Description: This series contains drafted press notices that were never released to the press. Most concern remarks that the President or administration officials made on various subjects. The first folder in each box contains a table of contents that lists the unreleased notices. Arranged chronologically.

Boxes: 53-54

Series: First Lady's Press Releases

Spans: 1969-1974

Description: This series contains press releases concerning the First Lady and First Family. Intermingled are a small number of memoranda related to White House social events. Arrangement for almost all of the files is chronological but a few files are grouped by subject.

Boxes: 55-101

Series: White House Press Conferences

Spans: 1969-1974

Description: This series contains transcripts of regular press conferences given by White House Press Office personnel. Initially, briefings were given by Press Secretary Ronald Ziegler. During the last two years of Nixon's presidency, press conference duties largely shifted to Deputy Press Secretary Gerald Warren. Press conferences were generally given at the White House, although Warren and Ziegler gave occasional briefings from Key Biscayne, Florida and San Clemente, California while traveling with the President. The press conferences cover the full range of the activities of the administration with especially extensive attention to the war in Southeast Asia, the President's 1971 trip to China, and the Watergate break-in and subsequent events. Arranged chronologically.

Boxes: 102-103

Series: Official Transcripts of Presidential Press Conferences

Spans: 1969-1974

Description: This series contains two sets of official White House transcripts of Presidential news conferences. Arranged chronologically.

Boxes: 104

Series: Left to Right Identifications

Spans: 1974

Description: This series contains notices to the press providing identification of participants at meetings, ceremonies, and photo opportunities with the President. Arranged in reverse chronological order.

Boxes: 104

Series: President's Schedule

Spans: 1974

Description: This series contains notices to the press providing the President's official schedule for the day. Arranged chronologically.

### **Folder Title List**

WHITE HOUSE PRESS RELEASES, 1969-1974

#### **Box 1**

1/20/69-3/31/69

#### **Box 2**

4/1/69-5/31/69

#### **Box 3**

6/1/69-7/31/69

#### **Box 4**

8/1/69-9/15/69

#### **Box 5**

9/16/69-10/25/69

#### **Box 6**

10/26/69-12/10/69

#### **Box 7**

12/11/69-2/9/70

**Box 8**

2/10/70-3/13/70

**Box 9**

3/14/70-4/30/70

**Box 10**

5/1/70-6/15/70

**Box 11**

6/16/70-7/15/70

**Box 12**

7/16/70-8/20/70

**Box 13**

8/21/70-9/31/70

**Box 14**

10/1/70-10/31/70

**Box 15**

11/1/70-12/15/70

**Box 16**

12/16/70-1/31/71

**Box 17**

2/1/71-3/10/71

**Box 18**

3/11/71-4/20/71

**Box 19**

4/21/71-5/31/71

**Box 20**

6/1/71-6/30/71

**Box 21**

7/1/71-8/15/71

**Box 22**

8/16/71-9/30/71

**Box 23**

10/1/71-11/20/71

**Box 24**

11/21/71-12/31/71

**Box 25**

1/1/72-2/10/72

**Box 26**

2/11/72-3/25/72

**Box 27**

3/26/72-4/30/72

**Box 28**

5/1/72-5/31/72

**Box 29**

6/1/72-7/10/72

**Box 30**

7/11/72-8/25/72

**Box 31**

8/26/72-9/30/72

**Box 32**

10/1/72-10/31/72

**Box 33**

11/1/72-12/31/72

**Box 34**

1/1/73-2/20/73

**Box 35**

2/21/73-3/31/73

**Box 36**

4/1/73-5/10/73

**Box 37**

5/11/73-6/20/73

**Box 38**

6/21/73-7/31/73

**Box 39**

8/1/73-8/31/73

**Box 40**

9/1/73-10/15/73

**Box 41**

10/16/73-11/25/73

**Box 42**

11/26/73-12/31/73

**Box 43**

1/1/74-1/13/74

**Box 44**

2/1/74-2/28/74

**Box 45**

3/1/74-3/31/74

**Box 46**

4/1/74-4/30/74

**Box 47**

5/1/74-5/31/74

**Box 48**

6/1/74-6/30/74

**Box 49**

7/1/74-7/31/74

**Box 50**

8/1/74-8/9/74

PRESS RELEASES NOT RELEASED TO THE PRESS, 1969-1973

**Box 51**

10/12/69-11/23/72

**Box 52**

1/5/73-9/24/73

FIRST LADY'S PRESS RELEASES, 1969-1974

**Box 53**

List of First Lady's Overseas Trips, 1940-1972

Church Services, 1969-March 19, 1972

Mrs. Nixon's Activities, January-July 1972

1969

January-June 1970

July-December 1970

1971

January-June 1972

**Box 54**

July-December 1972

January-June 1973

July-December 1973

January-August 7, 1974

WHITE HOUSE PRESS CONFERENCES, 1969-1974

**Box 55**

1/20/69-2/15/69

**Box 56**

2/17/69-3/20/69

**Box 57**

3/20/69-4/24/69

**Box 58**

4/24/69-5/28/69

**Box 59**

5/29/69-7/14/69



**Box 60**

7/14/69-9/12/69

**Box 61**

9/12/69-10/21/69

**Box 62**

10/21/69-11/28/69

**Box 63**

12/1/69-1/14/70

**Box 64**

1/22/70-3/5/70

**Box 65**

3/7/70-4/14/70

**Box 66**

4/14/70-5/20/70

**Box 67**

5/20/70-6/24/70

**Box 68**

6/26/70-8/7/70

**Box 69**

8/7/70-9/21/70

**Box 70**

9/21/70-11/10/70

**Box 71**

11/12/70-12/16/70

**Box 72**

12/16/70-1/26/71

**Box 73**

1/26/71-3/8/71

**Box 74**

3/8/71-4/16/71

**Box 75**

4/19/71-6/1/71

**Box 76**

6/2/71-7/15/71

**Box 77**

7/17/71-8/28/71

**Box 78**

8/30/71-10/7/71

**Box 79**

10/7/71-11/22/71

**Box 80**

11/23/71-1/5/72

**Box 81**

1/6/72-2/21/72

**Box 82**

*2/22/72-4/10/72*

**Box 83**

*4/11/72-5/18/72*

**Box 84**

*5/19/72-7/17/72*

**Box 85**

*7/19/72-9/11/72*

**Box 86**

*9/12/72-11/8/72*

**Box 87**

*11/9/72-12/18/72*

**Box 88**

*12/19/72-2/8/73*

**Box 89**

*2/9/73-3/26/73*

**Box 90**

*3/27/73-5/10/73*

**Box 91**

*5/11/73-6/14/73*

**Box 92**

*6/19/73-8/1/73*

**Box 93**

8/2/73-8/31/73

**Box 94**

9/4/73-10/11/73

**Box 95**

10/12/73-11/21/73

**Box 96**

11/26/71-1/3/74

**Box 97**

1/4/74-2/11/74

**Box 98**

2/12/74-3/27/74

**Box 99**

3/28/74-5/14/74

**Box 100**

5/15/74-7/11/74

**Box 101**

7/12/74-8/7/74

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS OF PRESIDENTIAL PRESS CONFERENCES, 1969-1974

**Box 102**

Set I, No. 1-37 [January 27, 1969-March 6, 1974]

**Box 103**

Set II, No. 1-37 [January 27, 1969-March 6, 1974]

LEFT TO RIGHT IDENTIFICATIONS, 1974

**Box 104**

Left to Right Identifications 1974

PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE, 1974

January 1974

February 1974

March 1974

April 1974

May 1974

June 1974

July 1974

August 1974