PATRICK E. O'DONNELL and JOSEPH S. JENCKES FILES, (1969) 1974-76

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Federal Records

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Biography

Patrick E. O'Donnell

1937 - Born, New York, New York

1959 - B.A., Georgetown University, Washington, DC

1962 - LL.B., American University, Washington, DC

1963-69 - Assistant Corporate Counsel, District of Columbia Government

1969-71 - Legal Assistant to Chairman, Federal Communications Commission

1971-73 - Staff Assistant to President, White House

Mar.-July 1973 - Deputy Assistant Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice

Aug. 1973-Feb. 1976 - Special Assistant to President for Legislative Affairs (Senate), White House

1976-78 - Representative for Legislative Affairs, General Electric Corporation, Washington, DC

1978-? - Assistant Manager, Federal Government Relations, JC Penney

1978-? - Partner, O'Connor & Hannan law firm, Washington, DC

Joseph F. Jenckes, V

1935 - Born, Phoenix, Arizona

1961 - J.D., University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

1961-62 - Assistant Attorney General, State of Arizona

1962-64 - Private law practice, Langerman and Begam

1964-65, 1967-68 - Professional actor, New York, NY, and Los Angeles, CA

1965-66 - Deputy County Attorney, Maricopa County, AZ

1969 - Attorney, Arizona State Compensation Fund, Phoenix, AZ

1969-73 - Assistant U.S. Attorney and Chief, Criminal Division, District of Arizona

May 1973-Jan. 1976 - Administrative Assistant, U.S. Senator Paul Fannin, Arizona

Feb. 1976-Jan. 1977 - Special Assistant to President for Legislative Affairs (Senate), White House

1977-? - Staff, Abbott Laboratories, Washington, DC

Scope and Content Note

Patrick E. O'Donnell joined the Congressional Relations Office in August 1973, during the Nixon administration. He held the position of special assistant for legislative affairs (Senate) until resigning in February 1976, and Joseph S. Jenckes succeeded him. Both men served directly under the deputy assistant for legislative affairs (Senate), Tom C. Korologos through 1974 and then William T. Kendall.

O'Donnell and Jenckes assisted with the routine aspects of liaison between the White House and the United States Senate. They tracked pending legislation and lobbied for administration positions, compiled vote summaries, handled personnel requests, and prepared schedule proposals and briefing papers for senatorial-presidential meetings. They also handled routine congressional requests for assistance with special messages, patronage and invitations.

The files document these activities. Material appears on a few foreign and many domestic policy issues, especially the president's energy program. Most of this collection consists of O'Donnell's files from 1974-75, which Jenckes took over in February 1976. The series of O'Donnell chronological materials contains documents

from his prior positions in the White House and Department of Justice, beginning in December 1971.

Related Materials (July 1986)

All files of the Congressional Relations Office are open; especially noteworthy are the materials of Vernon Loen and Charles Leppert who handled liaison with the House. The Congressional Relations Office reported to presidential counsellor John Marsh, and his files are also open. The files of individual White House staff will contain information on legislation in their respective policy areas. The most directly pertinent White House Central Files categories are Legislation (LE) and Federal Government-Congress (FG 30 to FG 39).

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Subject File, (1969) 1974-76.

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Memoranda to the president, to and from White House staff and agency officials; correspondence with senators and staff, and the public; schedule proposals and briefing papers primarily for presidential-senatorial meetings; vote tabulations; background material; resumes; printed material. The files concern legislation, appropriations, appointments, issues, senatorial requests, and grant notifications. Prominent subjects include several energy issues, Freedom of Information Act, uranium enrichment, Clean Air Act, Olympic Sports Commission, and the two-hundred mile limit on fishing. Voting records, 1969-75, describe support for the president on key issues.

Arranged alphabetically by subject.

Box 1 - Subject File

	Status	Title
OPEN		Amateur Athletic Act
OPEN		Antitrust Improvements Act
OPEN		Appropriations - Supplemental
OPEN		Arab Boycott
OPEN		Banks - Municipal Bonds

OPEN Berman, Ronald
OPEN Cargo Preference
OPEN Ceremonies (1)-(3)

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OPEN Clawson Memoranda

OPEN Clean Air Act Amendments (1)-(4)

OPEN Collis, Peter B.

OPEN Common Situs Picketing

Box 2 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN Congressional Relations Memoranda, 1974/04-1976/06 (1)-

(14)

Box 3 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN Congressional Relations Memoranda, 1976/07-1976/12 (1)-

(3)

OPEN Consumer Product Safety Commission

OPEN Consumer Protection Agency

OPEN Continuing Resolution

OPEN Copyright

OPEN Correspondence - Jenckes Non-Congressional (1)-(2)

OPEN Correspondence - O'Donnell Pending (1)-(2)

OPEN Crime

OPEN Dairy Bill

OPEN Deepwater Ports
OPEN Defense Briefings

OPEN Diego Garcia

OPEN Economic Summit (1)-(2)

Box 4 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN Economic Summit (3)-(5)

OPEN Elections - 1974

OPEN Emergency Housing Act

OPEN Energy - Emergency Petroleum Allocation Extension Act

OPEN Energy - Energy Independence Act

OPEN Energy - Energy Research and Development

Administration

OPEN Energy - Gasoline Rationing

OPEN Energy - Legislative Interdepartmental Group

OPEN Energy - Licensing of Exports of Crude Oil

OPEN Energy - Lists of Targets, Votes and Attendees

OPEN Energy - Natural Gas

OPEN Energy - Nuclear Power

OPEN Energy - Oil Depletion Allowance

OPEN Energy - Oil Import Fees

OPEN Energy - President's Energy Program

OPEN Energy - Synthetic Fuels Loan Guarantee Program

OPEN Export Administration Act

Box 5 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN Export-Import Bank

OPEN Fair Trade Laws

OPEN Farm Bill

OPEN Federal Election Campaign Act

OPEN Fertilizer

OPEN Flanigan, Peter M.

OPEN Floor Schedules - Senate and House

OPEN Food Aid

OPEN Food Stamp Reform

OPEN Foreign Aid

OPEN Foreign Assistance Authorization Bill

OPEN Freedom of Information (1)-(7)

Box 6 - Subject File

OPEN Garrett, Thad

OPEN Geothermal Loan Guaranty Bill

OPEN Grant Notifications (1)-(4)

OPEN Harmon Trophy Awards (1)-(2)

OPEN Hatch Act

OPEN Health Plan Legislation

OPEN Inaugural Medal

OPEN Intelligence - Agent Richard S. Welch

OPEN Intelligence - Senate Select Committee

OPEN International Development Association

OPEN Interns

OPEN Japanese-American Relations

OPEN Johnson, James E.

OPEN Judgeship Bill

OPEN Kennedy Center

OPEN Legal Services (1)

Box 7 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN Legal Services (2)-(3)

OPEN Legislation - Status of Administration Sponsored

OPEN Mariana Islands

OPEN Mayaguez

OPEN Military Procurement Authorization

OPEN Navajo - Hopi Bill

OPEN New Hampshire Senatorial Contest

OPEN New York City Plan

OPEN Nixon - Papers

OPEN Nixon - Transition Appropriations

OPEN No-Fault Automobile Insurance

OPEN Nomination Notifications

OPEN Office of Economic Opportunity

OPEN Olympic Sports Committee (1)-(3)

OPEN Organized Crime

OPEN Panama Canal
OPEN Paris Air Show

OPEN Patronage - Letters (1)-(2)

Box 8 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN Patronage - Memoranda (1)-(3)

OPEN Pay Deferral
OPEN Pension Bills

OPEN Personnel - General (1)-(3)
OPEN Personnel - Resumes (1)-(3)

OPEN Personnel Interchange, President's Commission on

OPEN Predatory Animals

OPEN President Ford Committee

OPEN Presidential Meetings, 1974/04-1974/08

Box 9 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN Presidential Meetings, 1974/08-1975/07

Box 10 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN Presidential Meetings, 1975/07-1976/10

OPEN Presidential Memoranda

OPEN Presidential Recommended Telephone Calls (1)-(2)

OPEN Privacy Act

OPEN Regulatory Reform

OPEN Rockefeller, Nelson

OPEN Science and Technology

OPEN Scott, Hugh - Clearance Forms (1)-(2)

Box 11 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN Scott, Hugh - Clearance Forms (3)-(4)

OPEN Scott, Hugh - General
OPEN Securities Reform Act

OPEN Sinai Agreement

OPEN South Pacific Commission (1)-(2)

OPEN Sowell, Thomas

OPEN Spanish Speaking People, Cabinet Committee on

Opportunities for

OPEN Special Representative for Trade Negotiations

Box 12 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN Speeches (1)-(11)

OPEN Strip Mining

OPEN Sugar

OPEN Supplies and Shortages, National Commission on

Box 13 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN Tax Reduction Act

OPEN The Group

OPEN Title IX - Education Amendments: Athletic Programs

OPEN Trade Bill

OPEN Turkey

OPEN Two Hundred Mile Fishing Legislation - Briefing Book (1)-

(2)

OPEN Two Hundred Mile Fishing Legislation - General

OPEN Uranium Enrichment (1)-(6)

Box 14 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN Veterans
OPEN Vietnam

OPEN Voting Record Tabulations - General

OPEN Voting Record Tabulations - Key Votes (1)-(7)

OPEN Voting Rights

OPEN Walker, William N.
OPEN Washington Forum

OPEN Watergate - Report on CIA Activities

OPEN White House Employment Authorization

OPEN White House Memoranda (1)

Box 15 - Subject File

Status Title

OPEN White House Memoranda (2)-(4)

OPEN Yeo, Edwin H.
OPEN Zarb, Frank

O'Donnell Chronological File, 1971-75.

(Boxes 15-18, 1.0 linear feet)

Two sequences of material: official files, March 1973 - December 1974, include copies of generally routine outgoing correspondence and memoranda. Weekly legislative summary reports from government departments for late 1973, collected by O'Donnell, are included. Personal files, December 1971 - January 1975, include correspondence and memoranda on personal and routine matters.

Arranged chronologically.

Box 15 (Continued) - O'Donnell Chronological File

Status Title

OPEN 1973/03-1973/10/16

Box 16 - O'Donnell Chronological File

Status Title

OPEN 1973/10/17-1974/03/12

Box 17 - O'Donnell Chronological File

Status Title

OPEN 1974/03/13-1974/12/31

OPEN O'Donnell Personal File, 1971/12-1974/04

Box 18 - O'Donnell Chronological File

OPEN O'Donnell Personal File, 1974/05-1975/01