

THE RICHARD MILLER COLLECTION

7 Manuscript Boxes

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The papers of Richard Miller were deposited in the Archives of Labor History and Urban Affairs in March of 1970.

Richard Lester Miller was born on August 12, 1931, in Flint, Michigan. He graduated from Buchanan High School, Buchanan, Michigan, in 1949. Miller received his B.A. in 1957 from Michigan State University, with a major in the social sciences division. In 1961, he received his M.A. (major - political science, minor - statistics), also from Michigan State University.

During the period 1958-1959, Miller served as Secretary to the Attorney General of Michigan, Paul L. Adams. He did campaign work in the 1958 election, and his duties also included work in the Criminal Division of the Attorney General's Office. From 1959 to 1960, Miller was an Administrative Assistant to the late Joseph J. Kowalski, Democratic Floor Leader, Michigan House of Representatives. His duties in this capacity included administration of the House Democratic Office - its staff, research, and public relations. The public relations aspect of his position included giving public statements and press releases and speech writing. Beginning in 1961, Miller worked in the Executive Office of the State of Michigan, serving as a Legislative Assistant to former Governor John B. Swainson.

The Richard Miller Collection covers the period from 1956 to 1965.

Important Subjects are:

Civil War Centennial Commission, 1959-1961
Kierdorf Case, 1958
Midwest Democratic State Legislators for Kennedy,
1960
1958 State Election (Michigan)
1960 State Election (Michigan)
1964 Presidential Election
Rural Americans for Johnson-Humphrey, 1964

Among the Correspondents are:

John M. Bailey
Zolton A. Ferency
Joseph J. Kowalski
Neil Staebler
G. Mennen Williams

Description of Series

- Box 1 Series I: Attorney General's Office
This series covers the year 1958. Arrangement is alphabetical by subject. It includes correspondence, press releases, memoranda, and clippings. It also contains campaign schedules and lists of campaign workers for the Attorney General's 1958 campaign.
- Boxes 1-2 Series II: House Democratic Office
The inclusive dates of this series are 1959 to 1963. The material is arranged chronologically by year, and within each year is alphabetical by subject. The material generated by the House Democratic Office and included in this series is: general correspondence, bill summaries, memoranda, campaign materials, press releases, legislative newsletters, legislative correspondence, and fact sheets.
- Box 2 Series III: Executive Office, State of Michigan
This series covers the dates from 1957 to 1962. Material is arranged chronologically by year, and alphabetically by subject within each year. Undated items are found at the end of the series. Materials include campaign letters, memoranda, travel vouchers, and legislative reports.
- Boxes 2-3 Series IV: Democratic State Central Committee
The inclusive years of this series are 1957 to 1964. The arrangement is chronological by year, and alphabetical by subject within each year. Undated materials are placed at the end of the series. The material in this series was generated by the D.S.C.C. and includes many fact sheets, campaign materials, correspondence, press releases, and memoranda.
- Boxes 3-4 Series V: Democratic National Committee
The dates included in this series are 1963 to 1964. Except for one folder, all of the material in this series is from the year 1964. Arrangement is alphabetical by subject, with the undated items at the end of the series. The bulk of the material in this series includes fact sheets and memoranda generated by the Publicity and Research Divisions of the Democratic National Committee and Democratic Study Groups - to be used as campaign materials.

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Series VI: Elections

The inclusive dates of this series are 1956 to 1964. The arrangement is chronological by year, and alphabetical by subject within each year. Undated items are found at the end of the series. This series contains information on various state and national level elections. Materials include the following: campaign materials, fact sheets, news clippings, lists of candidates, and press releases.

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Series VII: Published Materials

This series includes miscellaneous published materials ranging in date from 1952 to 1963.

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3. Campaign Workers, 1958
4. Coldwater Investigation, News Clippings, 1958
5. General Correspondence, 1958
6. Grand Jury Question, 1958
7. Kierdorf Case, News Clippings, 1958-1959
8. Memoranda, 1958
9. Press Releases, 1958

Series II

10. Appropriations Bills and Summaries, 1959
11. Bill Summaries, 1959
12. General Correspondence, 1959
13. House Taxation Committee, Fact Sheet, 1959
14. Kowalski, Memoranda, 1959
15. Campaign Materials, 1960
16. Citizens Research Council of Michigan, Bulletins, 1960
17. Democratic Legislative Conference, 1960
Legislative Program
18. Democratic Midwest Conference, 1960
19. General Correspondence, 1960
20. Kowalski, Press Releases, 1960
21. Legislative Amendments, 1960
22. Legislative Newsletters, 1960
23. Midwest Democratic State Legislators for Kennedy, 1960
24. Press Releases, 1960
25. General Correspondence, 1962
26. Public Works Acceleration Act, Fact Sheets, 1962

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1. Legislative Amendments, 1963
2. Legislative Correspondence, Jan.-Feb., 1963
3. Legislative Correspondence, Oct. 4-8, 1963
4. Legislative Correspondence, Oct. 9-23, 1963
5. Legislative Correspondence, Oct. 28-29, 1963
6. General Correspondence, undated
7. House Legislation Notes, undated
8. House Legislation Schedule, undated
9. House Taxation Bills, Background Statements, undated
10. Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party, undated

Series III

11. Governor Williams' Inaugural Program, 1957
12. Governor's Annual Legislative Luncheon, 1958-1959
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14. Legislative Report to the Governor, 1961
15. Travel Vouchers, R. Miller, 1961-1962
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18. Certificate of Merit, R. Miller, undated
19. Governor Williams' Newsletter, undated

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22. Campaign Television Script, 1958
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28. Campaign Materials, John F. Kennedy, 1960

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1. General Correspondence, 1960
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5. Marshall et. al. v. Hare et. al. , Correspondence, 1964
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Box 4

1. Democratic Study Group, Staff Memoranda, 1964
2. Democratic Study Group, Television Script, 1964
3. Legislative Record, 1961-1964
4. Miscellaneous Campaign Information, 1964
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6. Public Affairs Division, Fact Sheets, March, 1964
7. Public Affairs Division, Fact Sheets, April, 1964
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9. Publicity and Advertising Information, 1964
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11. Research Division, Facts and Quotes, 1964
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13. Speech Cards, 1964
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9. 1959 Elections and Reapportionment, News Clippings, Miscellaneous
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