

Garrick, Robert M.: Files, 1981-1982

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Biography

Biography

Rear Admiral Robert M. Garrick served in the U.S. Navy as a combat correspondent, stayed in the Naval Reserve after World War II, was a public relations expert and an active Republican campaigner for Ronald Reagan in the California governor's races and his runs for President. He was appointed in early 1981 as the Deputy Counsellor to the President, serving as the chief assistant to Counsellor to the President, Edwin Meese.

Admiral Garrick was born in 1920 in New Jersey. His family relocated to Los Angeles, California where he attended Los Angeles City College, the University of Southern California and the University of Hawaii where he majored in journalism, radio and aeronautical engineering. During World War II, Garrick served as an enlisted combat correspondent inn the U.S. Navy on the staff of Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz. Post World War II, he remained in the Naval Reserve eventually earning the rank of rear admiral, as the Naval Reserve's first public affairs flag officer.

Following World War II, he returned to the Los Angeles Times-Mirror Corp. and served as assistant director of public relations. In 1947 Garrick became director of public relations and advertising for the A. F. Gilmore Co. and the Hollywood Farmer's Market. He founded Robert M. Garrick Associates, a public relations consulting firm, in 1951, serving industrial and commercial firms and associations. In 1973 the firm was incorporated as Garrick Associates, Inc., and in 1975 the corporation merged with Doremus & Co.

Garrick left his position at the White House in September 1981. Admiral Garrick and his wife retired to their avocado and orange ranch in Bonsall, California. Garrick died in December 2003.

Scope and Content Note

Collection Note

Garrick worked with Roger Hearn on personnel placement in the early part of the administration as part of his work on the President-Elect's transition office. Some of

their work product is mixed together in this collection.

Material documenting Garrick's work with the Reagan Transition team is not presidential records and is not subject to Freedom of Information Act requests. The Library will process this material upon request under President Reagan's deed of gift.

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SERIES I: SUBJECT FILE OA 3210

| Status | Title |
|--------|---|
| CLOSED | Ad Council Information (empty) |
| CLOSED | Advertising Council Inc., The |
| CLOSED | Agency Calendar of Upcoming Events 02/11/1981 |
| CLOSED | American Bar Association |
| CLOSED | American Civil Liberties Union |
| CLOSED | American Legion |
| CLOSED | American Society of Associate Executives |
| CLOSED | Assignments Completed |

| Status | Title |
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| CLOSED | Assignments Completed: Jamaica/U.S. Symposium |
| CLOSED | Assignments Completed: Bill of Rights - Jim Franxeen 12/15/1981 Los Angeles |
| CLOSED | Assignments Completed: 60 Minutes |
| CLOSED | Audio-Visual |
| CLOSED | Audio Visual Activities |
| CLOSED | Audit of U.S. Economy |
| CLOSED | Battle of the Atlantic 36th Anniversary |
| CLOSED | Bowsher, Charles – Comptroller General Position |
| OPEN | Briefing Agendas – 05/06/1981 and 05/08/1981 |
| CLOSED | Brookings Institute |
| CLOSED | Budget – 1982 – Fact Sheet 03/10/1981 |
| CLOSED | Budget -1982 Revisions March 1981 |
| CLOSED | Budget - White House |
| CLOSED | Cabinet Councils |
| CLOSED | Cabinet Meeting Agendas |
| CLOSED | Cabinet Procedures |
| CLOSED | Canadian Flag from Space Flight Presentation to Trudeau |
| CLOSED | Centinela Hospital Medical Center |
| CLOSED | Century Freeway |
| CLOSED | Commerce Department Seminar 02/25/1981 |
| CLOSED | Commitments |
| CLOSED | Committee for the Support of the Reserve and Guard |
| CLOSED | Communications Group |
| CLOSED | Commuter Aircraft Corporation |
| CLOSED | Comptroller General Reports re: Beverage Container Deposits – 12/07/1977 and 12/11/1980 |
| CLOSED | Continental Airlines and Texas International Airlines |
| CLOSED | Crime |
| CLOSED | Cuban Detainees/Deportees |
| OPEN | Defense Budget FY 1981 – O'Shaughnessy Memo |

| Status | Title |
|---------|---|
| CLOSED | Department of Commerce – Undersecretary for Maritime Affairs |
| CLOSED | Department of Energy |
| CLOSED | Department of Labor – Budget Issue |
| OPEN | Department of Navy |
| CLOSED | Department of Transportation – Airport Issues |
| CLOSED | Doremus and Co. [National Security Traders Association Speaking Request to Stockman] |
| CLOSED | Economic Program - Outside Support |
| OPEN | Economic Speech, 02/18/1981 – Background Information |
| CLOSED | Environmental Protection Agency |
| CLOSED | Expense Forms |
| CLOSED | ELF (Extremely Low Frequency) |
| CLOSED | Federal Bureau of Investigation |
| CLOSED | Forms of Addresses |
| CLOSED | Freedom Foundation of California |
| CLOSED | Garrick, Admiral Robert - Personal |
| CLOSED | Gibson, Lt. Colonel Ralph H. |
| CLOSED | Haig, Alexander |
| CLOSED | Harlfinger, Admiral |
| CLOSED | Harper, Ed |
| OA 3211 | |
| Status | Title |
| CLOSED | Hayden, Boyd |
| CLOSED | Health and Human Services |
| CLOSED | Hearst, William Randolph Jr. – Salvation Army Citation |
| CLOSED | Hillings, Congressman Patrick |
| CLOSED | Hispanic Community |
| CLOSED | Hoover Institution |
| CLOSED | Hops |
| CLOSED | Horowitz, David |
| CLOSED | ICC Transition Report Request |

| Status | Title |
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| CLOSED | Illegal Aliens |
| CLOSED | In-coming Memos |
| CLOSED | Independent Truckers - Interstate Commerce Commission |
| CLOSED | Institute for Contemporary Studies |
| CLOSED | International Communication Agency |
| CLOSED | Interview Requests April 1981-October 1981 |
| CLOSED | Invitations |
| CLOSED | Jachym, John |
| CLOSED | Kemp-Garcia Project |
| CLOSED | Kitchen Cabinet |
| CLOSED | Letters of Recommendation |
| CLOSED | Lorsch, Bob |
| CLOSED | Loyola Marymount Commencement |
| CLOSED | MacDonald – Trade Session |
| CLOSED | Maritime Matters |
| CLOSED | Monthly Report Working File - June 1981 |
| CLOSED | Monthly Reports |
| CLOSED | Nathanson, Phil |
| CLOSED | National Advisory Commission on Resource Conservation and Recovery |
| CLOSED | National Association of Broadcasters |
| CLOSED | National Association of Home Builders |
| CLOSED | National Confectioners Association |
| CLOSED | National Dialogue for the Business Sector – Conference 03/05/1981-03/07/1981 |
| CLOSED | National Rifle Association |
| CLOSED | National Rifle Association Speech – 05/03/1981 |
| CLOSED | National Victims of Crime Week |
| OPEN | Naval Reserve Association |
| OPEN | Navy Communication Section |
| CLOSED | Navy Regional Medical Center in San Diego |
| CLOSED | New Jersey Health Products - Robert O. Pellet |

| Status | Title |
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| CLOSED | Newsweek Corporate/Government Conference |
| CLOSED | Otay Mesa Crossing |
| CLOSED | Pashayan, Charles |
| OPEN | РАТСО |
| CLOSED | Peanut Allocation |
| CLOSED | Philippines |
| CLOSED | Photo Captions |
| OPEN | Police Information |
| CLOSED | Policy |
| CLOSED | Pope Air Force Base 09/17/1981 |
| CLOSED | Portal to Portal Service |
| CLOSED | Presidential Boards and Commissions |
| CLOSED | President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board |
| CLOSED | San Onofre Bomb Threat |
| CLOSED | Savings and Loan Associations/Thrift Associations |
| CLOSED | Savings and Loan Meeting 06/12/1981 |
| CLOSED | Screenplay - Air Force |
| CLOSED | Secretary David Stockman |
| OPEN | Secretary of the Navy Speech to National Press Club |
| CLOSED | Security |
| CLOSED | Selle, Robert |
| OA 3212 | |
| Status | Title |
| CLOSED | Senior Citizens (empty) |
| CLOSED | Senior Management Institute for Police |
| OPEN | Shipbuilders Council (1)-(4) |
| CLOSED | Solzhenitsyn |
| CLOSED | Specialized Carriers and Rigging Association – Meeting 03/13/1981 |
| OPEN | Synfuels |
| CLOSED | Tacoma Boatbuilding Co., Inc. |
| CLOSED | Television Program Involving Dr. Thomas Sowell |

| Status | Title |
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| CLOSED | Tours - Carol McCain |
| CLOSED | Transition/Forms |
| CLOSED | Transition Report Request – John Blanton |
| CLOSED | Travel |
| CLOSED | Troffey, Alex |
| CLOSED | U.S. Attorney Selection – Judge Robert J. Gestung |
| CLOSED | Villella, Fred J. |
| OPEN | Violent Crime (1)(2) |
| CLOSED | Waste and Fraud and Abuse |
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| CLOSED | Chron File – 05/01/1981-05/14/1981 |
| CLOSED | Chron File – 05/15/1981-05/18/1981 |
| CLOSED | Chron File – 05/19/1981-05/31/1981 |
| CLOSED | Chron File – 06/01/1981-06/15/1981 |
| CLOSED | Chron File – 06/15/1981-06/30/1981 |
| CLOSED | Chron File – 07/01/1981-07/15/1981 |

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Chron File - 07/16/1981-07/21/1981

| CLOSED | Chron File - 08/19/1981-08/27/1981 |
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| CLOSED | Chron File - 08/25/1981-08/28/1981 |
| CLOSED | Chron File - 08/31/1981 |
| CLOSED | Chron File - 09/01/1981-09/04/1981 |
| CLOSED | Chron File - 09/06/1981-09/10/1981 |
| CLOSED | Chron File - 09/26/1981-09/30/1981 |
| CLOSED | Chron File - 10/01/1981-10/13/1981 |
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SERIES III: CORRESPONDENCE

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| Status | Title |
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| CLOSED | Correspondence 05/15/1981-05/31/1981 |

| Status | Title |
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| CLOSED | Correspondence 06/01/1981-06/15/1981 |
| CLOSED | [Correspondence 06/16/1981-06/30/1981] |
| CLOSED | [Correspondence July 1981] |
| CLOSED | [Correspondence 08/28/1981-08/31/1981] |
| SERIES IV: OUTGOIN | G MEMORANDA |
| OA 3213, cont. | |
| Status | Title |
| CLOSED | Admiral Garrick Answering for Mr. Meese |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Martin Anderson |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to James Baker |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Rick Beal |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Jim Brady |
| OA 4477 | |
| Status | Title |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to M. Deaver |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Craig Fuller |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Ed Gray |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Ed Harper |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Pen James |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Ed Meese |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Miscellaneous - January 1981 |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Miscellaneous - February 1981 Memos (RMG) to Miscellaneous - March 1981 |
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| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Miscellaneous - April 1981 Memos (RMG) to Miscellaneous - May 1981 |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Miscellaneous - June 1981 |
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| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Miscellaneous - July 1981 Memos (RMG) to Miscellaneous - October 1981 |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Miscellaneous - October 1981 Memos (RMG) to Greg Newell |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Bresidential Personnel |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to M. Stanley |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to M. Stanley Memos (RMG) to Ed Thomas |
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| Status | Title |
| CLOSED | Access List Res. Lib. Heritage Reports |
| CLOSED | Debate - Cleveland |
| CLOSED | Decision Monitoring System |
| CLOSED | Memos (RMG) to Pen James |
| CLOSED | Reading File |
| CLOSED | Reagan Record |
| CLOSED | Ronald Reagan Newspaper Endorsements |
| CLOSED | Ronald Reagan's Position on Women |
| CLOSED | Rural Electric Issues |
| CLOSED | SALT II (October) |
| CLOSED | Small Royalties |
| CLOSED | Steel Position |
| CLOSED | Transition Administrative Memos |
| CLOSED | Transition Balzano Correspondence |
| CLOSED | Transition Budget |
| CLOSED | Transition Cabinet Announcements |
| CLOSED | Transition Communication Program |
| CLOSED | Transition Congressional Correspondence |
| CLOSED | Transition Correspondence (General) |
| OPEN | Transition Cuban/Haitian Refugee Matters (1)(2) |
| CLOSED | Transition Domestic Affairs Policy |
| CLOSED | Transition Foreign Affairs Policy |
| CLOSED | Transition Heritage Foundation Reports |
| CLOSED | Transition Hoover Materials |
| CLOSED | Transition Hostage Crisis |
| CLOSED | Transition Inaugural Information |
| CLOSED | Transition Inaugural Invitations (Actual Attendees) |
| CLOSED | Transition Inaugural Invitations (Souvenir) |
| CLOSED | Transition Inaugural Memos from Biebel |
| CLOSED | Transition Inaugural Speech 1st |
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| Status | Title |
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| CLOSED | Transition Inaugural Speech Input |
| CLOSED | Transition Invitation to Robert Garrick |
| CLOSED | Transition Items Referred to Mike Deaver |
| CLOSED | Transition Library Access Lists |
| CLOSED | Transition Meese Transition Report |
| CLOSED | Transition Memos from Ed Meese |
| CLOSED | Transition Memos from T. Dolan |
| CLOSED | Transition Memos to Ed Meese |
| CLOSED | Transition Memos to the Staff |
| CLOSED | Transition Organization Chart |
| CLOSED | Transition Personnel File |
| CLOSED | Transition Personnel/Operation |
| CLOSED | Transition Policy Staff Meetings |
| CLOSED | Transition Presentation Booklets |
| CLOSED | Transition Public Affairs Organizational Chart |
| CLOSED | Transition Public Affairs Policy Procedures |
| CLOSED | Transition Requests from Press |
| CLOSED | Transition Ronald Reagan Speech to American Enterprise Institute 12/11/1980 |
| CLOSED | Transition Security Matters |
| CLOSED | Transition White House Files |