

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
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
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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
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
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
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 – 05/15/1981-05/18/1981
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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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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
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Status	Title
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CLOSED	[Correspondence July 1981]
CLOSED	[Correspondence 08/28/1981-08/31/1981]
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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
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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
CLOSED	
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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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

Status	Title
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