



# **Gibson, Thomas F., III: Files, 1983-1984**

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## **Record Type**

Textual

## **Biography**

### **Biography**

Thomas Fenner Gibson III was a founding editor and cartoonist on the Opinion staff of *USA Today*. He has worked with *The Washington Post*, *The Atlantic Monthly*, *The New York Times*, and the *National Journal*. Gibson served in two different posts at the Reagan White House. His eclectic career has included communications, international affairs, health care, aviation and non-profit fields.

Thomas Gibson was born on January 23, 1955 in Petal, Mississippi. Gibson is a *cum laude* graduate of Princeton University (B.A., 1977) and Harvard University (M.P.A., 1982).

Post college graduation Gibson started as a free-lance political illustrator for a number of publications from 1977 to 1982. Gibson was a legislative assistant to Oklahoma Senator Dewey F. Bartlett, 1978-1979, and Director of Government Relations for The Brick Institute of America from 1979-1981. From 1982-1983, Gibson was an editor on the opinion staff of *USA Today*. In 1983, Gibson joined the White House staff in the Reagan Administration as an Associate Director of the Office of Cabinet Affairs.

He was then appointed to be Special Assistant to the President and Director of Public Affairs. He stayed at the White House until 1987.

After leaving the Reagan Administration, Gibson joined the Wexler Group, the public affairs and strategic communications firm as a Senior Vice President. In 1996, Gibson was recruited by MCI, an early cellular phone provider. He served as Director of Special Projects, reporting to the CEO and working on issues related to the Internet and international expansion. In 1998, Gibson joined Dr. Taylor Wang and others in forming Encapsulife, Inc., with Gibson serving as its president. Encapsulife is a private corporation created to commercialize Dr. Wang's nano-technology and bio-medical research. In 1999, Gibson formed his own communications and public affairs firm, Kirkwood/Gibson, and subsequently joined forces with the White House Writers Group, a collection of former high-level White House and executive branch communications professionals. Also in 1999, Gibson was appointed Senior Vice President for Corporate Affairs of Mooney Aircraft, a manufacturer of high-performance piston aircraft.

Gibson founded Advocacy Animation in 2001 with the goal of creating and animated cartoon that could be produced within a 24-hour news cycle.

In 2002, Gibson joined former U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff General Ronald Fogelman in establishing Durango Pro-Focus Flight Training, which created a flight training program in conjunction with Midland College.

Eventually the college assumed responsibility for flight instruction, General Fogelman retired, and the company changed its name to G.83 Aerospace with Gibson as its new president. The company broadened its range of aviation-related services.

In 2003, Gibson founded New Generation Foundation to promote access to opportunity for young people. New Generation has supported a number of initiatives including Airborne Lifeline Foundation which provides a flying medical service in Botswana and Malawi and the Squash Diabetes! Campaign launched by the Georgetown University Women's Squash Team.

Gibson currently resides in Washington, DC.

## **Scope and Content Note**

The Thomas F. Gibson Office of Cabinet Affairs collection consists of two series: SERIES I: Cabinet and Cabinet Council Activities and SERIES II: Subject File.

## **Series List**

### **SERIES I: CABINET AND CABINET COUNCIL ACTIVITIES**

This series contains material regarding meeting agendas, participant lists, scheduling memos, minutes, and background papers for principally the Cabinet Council on Economic Affairs, Cabinet Council on Legal Policy and Cabinet Council on Management and Administration for the period February 1984 to July 1984. It is arranged alphabetically by Council and then chronologically by meeting dates.

### **SERIES II: SUBJECT FILE**

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**CFOA 357**

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	Cabinet Meeting 03/01/1984 – Cabinet Council on Economic Affairs Presentation
CLOSED	Cabinet Meeting 06/26/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Minutes 02/21/1984, 02/23/1984, 03/02/1984, 03/06/1984
CLOSED	CCEA Minutes 03/08/1984, 03/15/1984, 04/03/1984, 04/05/1984
CLOSED	CCEA Minutes - 06/14/1984, 06/21/1984, 07/19/1984, 07/24/1984
CLOSED	CCEA Minutes – 07/17/1984, 07/26/1984, 07/30/1984
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 02/10/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 02/14/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 02/16/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 02/21/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 02/23/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 03/01/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 03/02/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 03/06/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 03/08/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 03/15/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 03/29/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 04/03/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 04/17/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 05/03/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 05/08/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 05/08/1984 – Subject Report with Notes
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 05/10/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 05/15/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 05/22/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 06/12/1984 – Agenda and Background Papers

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 06/14/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 06/21/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 06/26/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers I
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 06/26/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers II
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 06/28/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 07/17/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 07/29/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCEA Meeting 07/30/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	Cabinet Council on Legal Policy Meeting 02/14/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCLP Meeting 05/16/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	Cabinet Council on Management and Administration Planning Meeting 12/08/1983
CLOSED	CCMA Meeting 02/14/1984 - Agenda
CLOSED	CCMA Meeting 02/24/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCMA Meeting 05/03/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCMA Meeting 05/21/1984 - Agenda and Background Papers
CLOSED	CCMA Meeting Minutes - 02/02/1984, 02/14/1984, 02/23/1984 and 02/28/1984
CLOSED	CCMA Meeting Minutes - 05/03/1984
CLOSED	CCMA Meeting Minutes - 05/10/1984
CLOSED	CCMA Meeting Minutes - 05/21/1984

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Status	Title
CLOSED	[Agency Cost Savings]
OPEN	Alaskan Oil Transports
CLOSED	[Auchter, Thorne - Presidential Meeting]
CLOSED	Balzano, Michael - Central Labor Council of Phoenix, AZ
CLOSED	BCF Enterprises
CLOSED	[Birth Control]
CLOSED	Black Appointees Briefing 06/25/1984
CLOSED	Burford, Anne
CLOSED	Cabinet Councils - Disposition of Briefing Papers
CLOSED	Cabinet Working Group on Housing
OPEN	Church Audit Procedures Act
CLOSED	Citizen Action for Affordable Housing
CLOSED	Civil Rights Legislation
CLOSED	[Civil Rights - Set Asides]
CLOSED	Civil Service 101st Birthday
CLOSED	Committee for Employer Support of Veteran Employment
CLOSED	Community Development Partnerships
CLOSED	Comparison between Job Training Partnership Act and Comprehensive Employment And Training Act (CETA) [CCEA Request 07/26/1984]
CLOSED	Consolidated Border Inspections
CLOSED	Consultant Services
CLOSED	Court Appointed Special Advocates
CLOSED	Crime Victims Week - 1983
CLOSED	Crime Victims Week - 1984 (1)(2)
CLOSED	Department of Agriculture Farm Credits
CLOSED	Department of Agriculture Relocation
CLOSED	Department of Defense - Issues
CLOSED	Department of Defense, Major Accomplishments - July 1984
CLOSED	Department of Defense - Senator Kerry Budget Cuts
CLOSED	Department of Education - Student Loan Eligibility]
CLOSED	Department of Justice - Anti-Crime Legislation (1)(2)

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	Department of Justice - Appearance Schedule May 1984-August 1984
CLOSED	Department of Justice - Attorney General's Report
CLOSED	Department of Justice - Bankruptcy Courts Legislation
CLOSED	Department of Justice - Computer Reservation Systems
CLOSED	Department of Justice - Immigration Reform Legislation
OPEN	Department of Justice - Merger Guidelines
CLOSED	Department of Labor - Homework Rules (1)(2)
CLOSED	Department of Labor - Issues
CLOSED	Department of Labor - Minnesota Migrant Council Grant
CLOSED	Department of Labor - Significant Events - June 1984-July 1984
CLOSED	Department of Labor - Weirton Steel
CLOSED	Department of Transportation - Jones Act
CLOSED	Department of Transportation - Marsea Marine Companies
CLOSED	Department of the Treasury - Issues

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<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	Drug Abuse
CLOSED	Drug Czar
CLOSED	Economic Policymaking - <i>The Foxhill Review</i> 05/17/1984
OPEN	Enterprise Zones
CLOSED	Fair Housing Month - 1984
CLOSED	Federal Advisory Committee Reform
CLOSED	Federal Field Structure Reform
CLOSED	Federal Tort Claims Act - S. 1775
CLOSED	Financial Institutions Deregulation [CCEA 07/22/1984 Meeting]
CLOSED	Florida Crime Prevention Program
CLOSED	[Foreign Marketing Costs]
CLOSED	General Services Administration Publications

Status	Title
CLOSED	General Services Administration – Significant Events, June 1984-July 1984
OPEN	Genocide Convention Ratification
CLOSED	Government Employees Incentive Awards
CLOSED	Gray-Market Goods
CLOSED	Housing and Urban Development – Events, June 1984-July 1984
CLOSED	Interagency Management of Civil Rights/Legal Policy
CLOSED	[International Trade]
CLOSED	ITT Dialcom Employment Placement Service
CLOSED	Jabra, Mary Tawil
CLOSED	Job Issue
CLOSED	Job Training Partnership Act (1)(2)
CLOSED	[Job Training Partnership Act – Alabama]
CLOSED	Juvenile Justice
OPEN	KAL Flight 007
CLOSED	Kennedy School Seminars
CLOSED	Labor-Management Cooperation Program Application Solicitation – FY1984
CLOSED	List of National Voluntary Organizations
CLOSED	Liver Transplantation and Related Issues
CLOSED	Miami Area Naturalization Backlog
CLOSED	Minority Set-Asides
CLOSED	Miscellaneous
CLOSED	Missing Children
CLOSED	NASA – New Initiatives for 1985 and Beyond
CLOSED	NASA Tech Briefs, Spring 1984
CLOSED	[National Association of Home Builders – Builder Bonds]
CLOSED	National Institute of Building Sciences
CLOSED	National Neighborhood Housing Services Week – 1984
CLOSED	National Sheriffs’ Association, 06/20/1984
CLOSED	Natural Disasters – 1984



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CLOSED	Non-Career SES Awards (1)(2)
CLOSED	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
CLOSED	Office of Management and Budget – Circulars A-120, A-125
CLOSED	Office of Management and Budget – "Potential Shutdown" Meeting 09/28/1984
CLOSED	Operation Liftoff
CLOSED	Paperwork Reduction
CLOSED	Presidential Awards re: Hispanic Hiring Program
CLOSED	Presidential Events & Schedule Proposals 1984
CLOSED	President’s Council on Integrity and Efficiency 04/16/1984
OPEN	President’s Private Sector Survey on Cost Control (PPSSCC) (1)-(4)
OPEN	PPSSCC Meeting – Department of State Task Force Report 02/24/1984
OPEN	PPSSCC Conference Meeting – Department of Education 04/02/1984
OPEN	PPSSCC Meeting – Federal Construction Management Report - 06/08/1984
OPEN	PPSSCC Meeting – Federal Feeding Task Force Report – 06/28/1984
OPEN	PPSSCC Meeting – Low Income Standards and Benefits Task Force Report – 06/28/1984
OPEN	PPSSCC Meeting 07/09/1984 – Low Income Standards and Benefits Report
CLOSED	President’s Task Force on Legal Equity for Women
CLOSED	Public Employees Roundtable
CLOSED	Santa Marina Towers – Buffalo, NY
CLOSED	Senior Interdepartmental Group on International Economic Policy
CLOSED	Short Brothers’ Aircraft
CLOSED	[SBA Involvement in CIA Headquarters Expansion]
CLOSED	[Spanton, George – DOD "Whistleblower" Case]
CLOSED	[State Information]

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	Texas State Bar Annual Convention, 1984
CLOSED	Thomas, Clarence - Black Law Student's Association - 04/07/1984
CLOSED	Thomas, Clarence - Holy Cross College - 03/24/1984
OPEN	Title IX
OPEN	Trusts for Investments in Mortgages
CLOSED	USIA - Request for Additional Space
CLOSED	US vs. Leon - Talking Points
CLOSED	Urban Policy Report
CLOSED	Veteran's Administration - Mortgage Issues
CLOSED	[Vietnam 1975 C-5A Air Crash Litigation]
CLOSED	White House Mail and Mail Analysis (Jack Anderson)
CLOSED	[Young Astronaut Program]