

# Rockefeller (Nelson A.) Gubernatorial records, James Cannon, Series 7

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### **Summary Information**

**Repository:** Rockefeller Archive Center

**Creator:** New York (State). Governor (1959-1973 : Rockefeller)

**Creator - aut:** Rockefeller, Nelson A. (Nelson Aldrich)

**Creator - aut:** Cannon, James M.

**Creator - ctb:** Kissinger, Henry

**Title:** Nelson A. Rockefeller gubernatorial records, James Cannon, Series 7

**ID:** FA356

**Date [inclusive]:** 1968-1971

**Physical Description:** 7.36 Cubic Feet 10 legal boxes, 7 letter boxes.

Language of the

**Material:** 

English.

### Biographical/Historical note

Nelson A. Rockefeller served as governor of New York from January 1, 1959, to December 18, 1973. He was the first person elected to four consecutive four-year terms as a state governor.

### **Scope and Contents note**

#### NOTE TO RESEARCHERS

This series contains the office files of James Cannon. They document official activities in the execution of his duties as a member of Nelson A. Rockefeller's staff. The actions, decisions, and exchanges of information or points of view documented here occurred in the course of proposing and implementing policies for the Rockefeller administration, political campaigns, and/or Rockefeller's personal activities. However, unless a document is specifically addressed to or from Rockefeller, or is referred to in a document addressed to him, it should not be assumed he saw the document or was aware of its existence

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or substance. Furthermore, researchers should bear in mind that staff files may contain documents or drafts addressed to Rockefeller that were never shown to him.

#### SCOPE AND CONTENT

This series contains a portion of the files of James Cannon. They were created primarily during Cannon's tenure as an executive assistant to Governor Nelson Rockefeller. Cannon worked in the New York State Washington Office in the early 1970s and reported on fiscal and revenue sharing matters in the U.S. Congress. In 1969, Cannon was part of the Governor's staff on the Presidential Mission to Latin America.

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### **Arrangement note**

This series is divided into two subseries:

Subseries 1 - Revenue Sharing, 1971-1972 Subseries 2 - Latin American Mission, 1968-1972

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# **Administrative Information**

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# **Collection Inventory**

### Revenue Sharing, 1971-1972

Physical Description: 4 document box(es)

### **Scope and Contents note**

This subseries primarily concerns Cannon's tenure in Washington, DC, where he attended to fiscal matters before the U.S. Congress on behalf of Governor Rockefeller. Cannon served as a intermediary representing the interests of the Rockefeller administration to the members of the New York State Congressional Delegation. The chronological files that start the subseries deal with the events and circumstances leading up to the passage of the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972. Of note in the subseries is Folder 18, which concerns the General Grant Revenue Act of 1971, proposed by New York Congressmen Hugh Carey and Ed Koch.

Title/Description	Instances		
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Scope and Contents note			
Press releases, correspondence on congressional action on HR 14370, the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972.			
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Scope and Contents note			
Press releases, correspondence on congressional action on HR 14370, the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972.			
Chronological Files - December 1971	box 1	folder 3	
<b>Scope and Contents note</b>			
Press releases, correspondence on congressional action on HR 14370, the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972.			
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Press releases, correspondence on congressional action on HR 14370, the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972.

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Scope and Contents note			
Press releases, correspondence on congressional action on HR 14370, the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972.			
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Scope and Contents note			
Press releases, correspondence on congressional action on HR 14370, the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972.			
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Scope and Contents note			
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Scope and Contents note			
Tally sheets on closed rule votes, correspondence with members of New York State congressional delegation, notes on Members of Congress.			
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Scope and Contents note			
Charts, reports, legislation from U. S. Senate Finance Committee, testimony, press releases, clippings on bill.			
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Scope and Contents note			
Charts, reports, legislation from U. S. Senate Finance Committee, testimony, press releases, clippings on bill.			
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Scope and Contents note			
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Subject Files - Background Materials	box 2	folder 13	
Scope and Contents note			
Revenue sharing general files, bound volumes on government finance.			
Subject Files - Background Materials	box 2	folder 14	
Scope and Contents note			
Revenue sharing general files, bound volumes on government finance.			
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Correspondence with mayors of the six largest cities in New York (Albany, Buffalo, New York, Rochester, Syracuse, and Yonkers) on revenue sharing plans and the impact on their cities.			
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Scope and Contents note			
Statement by Representative John W. Byrnes (R-WI) on HR 14370; text of HR 14370.			
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<b>Scope and Contents note</b>			
Correspondence and memoranda on alternative plan proposed by Congressman Byrnes offering tax credits as a form of revenue sharing.			
Subject Files - Carey-Koch Bill, May 1971	box 2	folder 18	

Correspondence and memoranda on the General Grant Revenue Act of 1971, proposed by Congressman Hugh Carey and Congressman Edward Koch.

Subject Files - Charts, 1971	box 2	folder 19	
<b>Scope and Contents note</b>			
Table 2, State and Local Taxes as a percentage of personal income by states; Table 3, General Revenue from other sources as a percentage of personal income by states; Table 8, Intergovernmental Expenditures/State Aid related to population, personal income and state general expenditures by states; Table 9, State Government Taxes as a percentage of total state and local government taxes.			
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Copy of text of HR 14370 on revenue sharing, April 17, 1972.			
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Notes, schedules, correspondence, memoranda on meeting in Rochester, New York between NAR and President Nixon on revenue sharing.			
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<b>Scope and Contents note</b>			
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Scope and Contents note			
Transcripts, press releases of NAR's and others' testimony on revenue sharing before the U.S. House Ways and Means Committee.			
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Permit states and local governments to increase taxes to offer tax credits; testimony before the U. S. Senate.

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Rehabilitation Employee Assistance and Child Care Act of [March] 1971. Testimony before the U. S. House.

### **Latin American Mission, 1968-1972**

Physical Description: 13 document box(es)

### **Scope and Contents note**

After several discussions with President Richard Nixon, in 1969 Nelson Rockefeller was appointed to undertake a Presidential Mission to Latin America to consult with the leaders of those republics and determine the needs and conditions there. During the spring and summer of that year, Rockefeller toured 20 Latin American countries. This subseries contains a small sample of the documentation of the mission. Notable in this subseries is correspondence with members of President Nixon's staff, specifically National Security Advisor Henry Kissinger, who monitored the mission from Washington.

#### Related Archival Materials note:

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Additional extensive materials on the Latin American Mission may be found in the Washington, DC, series in Record Group 4 of the Nelson A. Rockefeller Papers (Boxes 98-201).

Title/Description

**Instances** 

Country files

Correspondence, memoranda, notes, clippings, schedules, background information, telexes to Henry Kissinger at White House, memos from Kissinger, correspondence with Berent Friele, transcripts and remarks, and meeting notes.

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Schedules  Scope and Contents note  Planned schedules for Latin American Mission.			

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