

# Rockefeller (Nelson A.) Gubernatorial records, Gene Wyckoff, Series 36

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# **Summary Information**

**Repository:** Rockefeller Archive Center

**Creator - aut:** Wyckoff, Gene

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

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

**Title:** Nelson A. Rockefeller gubernatorial records, Gene Wyckoff, Series 36

**ID:** FA375

**Date [inclusive]:** 1961-1965

**Physical Description:** 1.9 Cubic Feet 5 document boxes.

Language of the

**Material:** 

English.

#### **Preferred Citation note**

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# 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

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This series contains the office files of Gene Wyckoff. 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 personally signed by Nelson A. Rockefeller, or is referred to in a document personally signed by him, it should not be assumed he saw the document or was aware of its existence 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 is a nearly complete representation of "Executive Chamber," a television program written and produced by Gene Wyckoff. Topics were worked out in conjunction with Governor Nelson Rockefeller and members of his staff. The programs, broadcast in late 1964 and 1965, were designed to make clear the Governor's position on issues of importance to New York State voters.

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# **Arrangement note**

This series is arranged in two subseries:

Subseries 1 - "Executive Chamber" Program Files, 1961-1965 Subseries 2 - "Executive Chamber" Scripts and Related Materials, 1965-1965

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#### File Plan note

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### **Administrative Information**

#### **Publication Statement**

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Processing Level 3: Standard Processing.

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# **Controlled Access Headings**

- Governors -- Election -- New York (State) -- 1958
- Government policy

- Governors -- Election -- New York (State) -- 1966
- Governors -- Election -- New York (State) -- 1962
- Public policy
- Presidential candidates -- United States -- History -- 20th century
- State governments -- United States
- Public relations
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- Civil defense
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- Civil service
- Federal government -- United States
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- Latin America
- Legislation -- New York (State)
- International relations
- International relations -- United States
- Human rights
- International economic relations
- Affirmative action programs -- New York (State)
- Governors -- Election -- New York (State) -- 1970
- United States
- Vice-Presidents -- United States
- Presidential campaigns -- United States
- Political campaigns -- United States
- Political science
- New York (N.Y.)
- New York (State)

# **Other Finding Aids note**

Detailed finding aids for each series of this collection are available:

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Appointments Office (FA353)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Assembly and Senate Memos (FA354)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Joseph H. Boyd (FA355)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, James Cannon (FA356)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Affirmative Action (N. Lee Cook) (FA357)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Counsel's Office (FA358)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, New York State Committee to Reelect the President (FA359)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Jerry A. Danzig (FA360)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Executive Chamber (FA361)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, 55th Street (FA362)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Issue Books (FA363)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Arthur Massolo (FA364)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Hugh Morrow (FA242)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, New York Office (FA365)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Civil Service Resolutions (Charles H. Palmer) (FA366)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Political Files (FA367)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Press Office (FA368)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Public Relations (FA369)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Departmental Reports (FA370)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, William J. Ronan (FA371)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Speeches (FA372)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Diane Van Wie (FA373)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, Ann C. Whitman, Gubernatorial (FA374)

Nelson A. Rockefeller Gubernatorial Records, New York Republican State Fund Raising Reports (FA376)

# **Collection Inventory**

# "Executive Chamber" Program Files, 1961-1965

Physical Description: 3 box(es)

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### **Arrangement note**

Subseries 1 is arranged alphabetically by issue.

### **Scope and Contents note**

This subseries covers a variety of issues concerning New York State. It deals with topics that were covered by the "Executive Chamber" broadcasts as well as those considered for future shows.

Title/Description	Instances		
Atomic Research and Development Authority Report, 1964	box 1	folder 1	
Scope and Contents note			
Script for "Operation Sun Drum II"; Second Annual Report of the New York State Atomic Research and Development Authority; report, "Malta Test Station," New York State Atomic Research and Development Authority.			
Criminal Justice System, 1965	box 1	folder 2	
Scope and Contents note			
Report, "The New York State Identification and Intelligence System"; background information on New York State Corrections.			
"Executive Chamber" #8 - Watkins Glen Scripts, 1965	box 1	folder 3	
Scope and Contents note			
Drafts of "Executive Chamber" #8, 'A Walk in the Glen,' broadcast, May 1965.			
"Executive Chamber" #8 - Watkins Glen - Selected Production Detail, Releases, 1965	box 1	folder 4	
Scope and Contents note			
Background information, taping schedules, production follow-up on "Executive Chamber" #8.			
Farm Labor, 1964	box 1	folder 5	
Scope and Contents note			
Report, "A Helping Hand, Seasonal Farm Labor in New York State," November 1964; January 1964 issue of "Industrial Labor."			
Financing, 1965	box 1	folder 6	

# **Scope and Contents note**

Memorandum to Wyckoff enclosing NAR remarks on financial methods.

Human Rights, 1965	box 1	folder 7	
Scope and Contents note			
Correspondence from Jerry Danzig to George Fowler, Commissioner of New York State Commission for Human Rights, on human rights topic for an "Executive Chamber" program.			
Indians, 1963-1965	box 1	folder 8	
Scope and Contents note			
Report, "The Indian Today in New York State"; report, "Annual Report of New York State Interdepartmental Committee on Indian Affairs."			
Mental Health, 1965	box 1	folder 9	
Scope and Contents note			
Scripts, drafts, background materials, memorandum and reports, 'screen shots,' press releases on "Executive Chamber" #7, "The Troubled Mind," broadcast April 1965.			
Mental Health, 1965	box 1	folder 10	
Scope and Contents note			
Scripts, drafts, background materials, memorandum and reports, 'screen shots,' press releases on "Executive Chamber" #7, "The Troubled Mind," broadcast April 1965.			
Mental Health, 1965	box 1	folder 11	
Scope and Contents note			
Scripts, drafts, background materials, memorandum and reports, 'screen shots,' press releases on "Executive Chamber" #7, "The Troubled Mind," broadcast April 1965.			
Mental Health, 1965	box 2	folder 12	
Scope and Contents note			
Scripts, drafts, background materials, memorandum and reports, 'screen shots,' press releases on "Executive Chamber" #7, "The Troubled Mind," broadcast April 1965.			
Music and Recording, 1964-1965	box 2	folder 13	

### **Scope and Contents note**

Music cue sheets for recordings used in production of "Executive Chamber" programs.

#### Related Archival Materials note:

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Nine record albums (78 rpm) were removed from this folder and are stored with the audio collection.

Narcotics, 1965	box 2	folder 14	
<b>Scope and Contents note</b>			
Background information on Narcotics for possible used in a future "Executive Chamber" program.			
New York State Transportation Association Maps and Timetables	box 2	folder 15	
<b>Scope and Contents note</b>			
Airline timetables, New York State maps.			
Park Development, 1964	box 2	folder 16	
<b>Scope and Contents note</b>			
Memorandum to NAR from Laurance S. Rockefeller on park development in New York State.			
Parks, 1961-1963	box 2	folder 17	
<b>Scope and Contents note</b>			
Report, "2 Year Progress Report on Land Acquisition for Parks and Recreation."			
Scheduling, "Executive Chamber", 1965	box 2	folder 18	
Scope and Contents note			
Background information, production notes on scheduling of the taping of "Executive Chamber" #8.			
TV, 1965	box 2	folder 19	

### **Scope and Contents note**

Correspondence and memoranda on production of "Executive Chamber" programs and their release to television outlets.

#### Related Archival Materials note:

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Fourteen caption boards for the Executive Chamber series were removed from this folder and placed in box 5.

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box 3	folder 22	
box 5	folder 1	
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### **Related Archival Materials note**

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Photo Caption Boards - J. Burch McMorran, Supt. of Public Works	box 5	folder 6	
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Photo Caption Boards - Education	box 5	folder 7	
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Photo Caption Boards - Water Pollution	box 5	folder 8	
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Photo Caption Boards - Highway Safety	box 5	folder 9	
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Photo Caption Boards - Dr. James E. Allen, Jr., Commissioner of Education	box 5	folder 10	
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Photo Caption Boards - Citizens Public Expenditure Survey, Inc., Albany	box 5	folder 12	
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#### **Related Archival Materials note**

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Photo Caption Boards - Dr. Hollis S. Ingram, Commissioner of Health

box 5

folder 13

Related Archival Materials note:

#### **Related Archival Materials note**

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Photo Caption Boards - Lawrence W. Pierce, Division of Youth

box 5

folder 14

Related Archival Materials note:

#### **Related Archival Materials note**

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# "Executive Chamber" Scripts and Related Materials, 1964-1965

Physical Description: 2 box(es)

#### **Arrangement note**

This subseries is arranged chronologically.

#### **Scope and Contents note**

This subseries contains scripts, production notes, and selected correspondence on the majority of the "Executive Chamber" programs that were broadcast. The production notes include such information as filming schedules, ideas on images and text to include in the various broadcasts, length of scenes in terms of both time and footage, sound and music suggestions, and production costs.

Title/Description	Instances		
"Executive Chamber" #1, "How Much Education" - Scripts, November 1964	box 3	folder 23	
"Executive Chamber" #1, "How Much Education" - Production Notes, November 1964	box 3	folder 24	
"Executive Chamber" #1, "How Much Education" - Correspondence, November 1964	box 3	folder 25	
"Executive Chamber" #2, "Little Drops of Water" - Scripts, December 1964	box 3	folder 26	
"Executive Chamber" #2, "Little Drops of Water" - Production Notes, December 1964	box 3	folder 27	
"Executive Chamber" #2, "Little Drops of Water" - Correspondence, December 1964	box 3	folder 28	
"Executive Chamber" #3, "In the Name of the People" - Scripts, December 1964	box 3	folder 29	
"Executive Chamber" #3, "In the Name of the People" - Production Notes, December 1964	box 3	folder 30	

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