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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	People's Archive, MLK Library
<b>Creator:</b>	District of Columbia Statehood Commission
<b>Title:</b>	District of Columbia Statehood Commission Records
<b>ID:</b>	048
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1788-1994
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## Biographical / Historical

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In 1979 D.C. residents were presented with a proposal to vote on a Statehood Initiative that would approve legislation to begin an effort to grant D.C. statehood. The Statehood Initiative won approval on November 4, 1980 and became the first public referendum passed in the District's history. The final enabling legislation, D.C. Law 3-171, as amended D.C. Code Sec. 1-115(b) (1987)), provided for the creation of two commissions - the D.C. Statehood Commission and the D.C. Compact Commission. The D.C. Statehood Commission's mission was to educate, promote, and advance the proposition of statehood in the District and elsewhere. The D.C. Compact Commission's mission was to conduct a study of the necessary and appropriate legislative and administration actions needed to achieve statehood. The two commissions consisted of three commissioners from each of the eight wards in the District, appointed by the D.C. City Council.

A provision of the Initiative called for a Constitutional Convention and the writing of a Constitution for the State of New Columbia. On November 4, 1981 45 delegates were elected to a Constitutional Convention. The convention delegates drafted a constitution by May 29, 1982, which was adopted by a majority vote of D.C. citizens on November 2, 1982. In 1985 after the three-year term of the Constitutional Convention expired, the two Commissions were combined. The Commission engaged in a number of educational and promotional activities throughout the late 1980s and early 1990s. Activities

included designing a curriculum for public schools, providing training for D.C. teachers, testifying before Congress on statehood legislation, and establishing a Statehood Resource Center. Walter Fauntroy introduced the D.C. Statehood Bill, H.R. 51, in 1987; however Congress did not vote on the bill until November 1993 and it was defeated by a vote of 277 to 153. The Commission's budget was decreased and activities reduced after the defeat.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection contains materials produced or collected by the D.C. Statehood/Compact Commission (Commission) from 1978 to 1994. The materials include correspondence; reports; clippings; press releases; financial materials; meeting minutes; legislative testimony and bills; Commission publications; pamphlets; brochures; articles; speeches; memorabilia; videos; audiotapes; and photographs. Significant items, activities, and topics covered by the materials include: Commission activities supporting the Constitutional Convention; testimony and public relations materials to promote statehood legislation in the U.S. Congress; legal and other research on territory campaigns to achieve statehood; articles and writings on the issue of D.C. statehood; and public relations and educational activities undertaken by the Commission.

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## Arrangement

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Series 1: Administrative, 1986-1994 (2.5 linear feet) This series contains files that document the daily administration of the Commission. Included in the files are time and effort reports; by-laws; resolutions; memoranda reporting on Commission activities; mailing and contact lists; Commission stationary; and Commission logo. Of particular significance are contract records, request for proposals solicited by the Commission, and proposals from contractors in response to those requests. A majority of the materials regarding contracts is from the Harrison Institute, which contracted to provide public relations services and conduct legal research for the Commission. The materials are arranged alphabetically by topic and then chronologically by date.

Series 2: Financial, ca. 1978-1995 (2 linear feet) This series contains financial records of the Commission including annual budget and appropriation materials; invoices; payment vouchers; revenue and expense statements; and treasurer reports. Folders are arranged alphabetically by topic and then chronologically by date.

Series 3: Meetings, 1978-1995 (3.5 linear feet) Included in this series are meeting minutes, agendas, and background materials for regular and special meetings of the Commission from December 11, 1978

through January 5, 1995. Related materials include recordings of the meetings in the Audiovisual Series (9/19/86 through 5/5/88). Folders are arranged chronologically by date of meeting.

Series 4: Topics, 1788, 1941, 1968, 1980-1993 (3 linear feet) This series consists of correspondence, memoranda, reports, handwritten notes, clippings, publications, statements, pamphlets, brochures, newsletters, lists, and bibliographies covering a variety of topics and activities of interest to the Commission. Of particular significance are materials regarding the D.C. Statehood Constitutional Convention; Democratic and Republican conventions; Statehood Constitution; activities by Shadow Senator Jesse Jackson; and state government reorganization. Folders are arranged alphabetically by topic and then chronologically by date.

Series 5: Legislative Matters, 1986-1994 (2.5 linear feet) Records in this series include briefing books; congressional testimony and statements; house and conference reports; executive summaries; bills; background papers; appropriation acts; correspondence; and memoranda. Much of the materials are related to H.R. 51, statehood legislation introduced in Congress in 1987, including briefing book drafts and originals; internal memoranda from the House District Committee; testimony; and opposition statements. Other significant materials include 1987 testimony before D.C. City Council on budgets and Congressional testimony supporting statehood before the House Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs and Health. Folders are arranged alphabetically by topic and then chronologically with materials related to specific house and senate bills (i.e., H.R. 51, S118) appearing first.

Series 6: Clippings and Press Releases, 1978-1987 (.75 linear feet) This series contains clippings and press releases regarding statehood activities and issues. Most of the clippings were compiled by clipping services and public relations firms hired by the Commission. The folders are arranged chronologically by date of the clipping or press release.

Series 7: Public Relations, 1987-1993 (2 linear feet) This series contains press packages, publicity events, and educational materials developed by the Commission and public relations (PR) experts. Items and topics of interest include the Fifty Stars slideshow; Liberty Bell Train event; the New Columbia: 51st State of the Union speakers kit; and Action News (the Commission newsletter). Educational materials developed for the general and public school students, including Facts You May Not Know About D.C. and Statehood; Fifty-One Stars: A Test; Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Statehood Economic Issues; and One-Month Daily Curriculum: National Rainbow Coalition for D.C. Statehood Campaign. Also included are editorials; letters to the editor; radio and T.V. reports; public relations reports; correspondence; and brochures and booklets. Many of the materials were produced by the public relations firm Apter and Associates. Related materials in other series include the video, New Columbia: 51st State of the Union. Folders are arranged alphabetically by topic and then chronologically by date.

Series 8: Research, 1948-1993 (3 linear feet) This series contains research on successful statehood campaigns compiled by staff for the Commission's Resource Center and includes scholarly articles and papers; U.S. congressional reports and legislation; correspondence; memoranda; and governmental reports. The majority of the research focuses on efforts in Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico to achieve statehood. The series also contains research focusing generally on statehood and research strategies for the Commission to undertake. Folders are arranged alphabetically by subject or state and then chronologically.

Series 9: Correspondence, 1987-1994 (.5 linear foot): This series includes single letters of importance; correspondence with Congress; a correspondence log; as well as general correspondence. Single letters

appear first and are arranged alphabetically by subject or name of correspondents; the remainder of the correspondence is arranged chronologically. Single letters include a letter sent to community leaders requesting help in promoting the 1990 elections for shadow senators and representatives; a letter to Congressman Romano L. Mazzoli answering questions about statehood for non-federal parts of the district; a letter from the Commission congratulating Jesse Jackson on his election as shadow senator; and various letters to educators and schools about the Statehood education kit.

Series 10: Articles, 1965-1994 (.5 linear foot) This series consists of scholarly and popular articles; reports; booklets; texts of speeches; and other writings. The majority of the articles discuss statehood for the District but also cover the statehood process, Washington, D.C politics, and other related topics. The writings are arranged alphabetically by title.

Series 11: Memorabilia, 1976-1991 (.5 linear foot) This series includes promotional materials created by the Commission and other organizations working for statehood. A sample of these items include March for D.C. Statehood fliers; The Facts About D.C. Statehood brochure; Mend the Crack in the Liberty Bell, D.C. Statehood Now! bumper sticker; the D.C. Statehood Now button; poems; songs; a D.C. Statehood tote bag; and the Flag for New Columbia. Items in this series are arranged alphabetically by title.

Series 12: Jo Butler Materials, 1978-1993 (.25 linear foot) This series contains material created or about Josephine Butler, a key figure in the statehood movement and Chair of the D.C. Statehood Commission for many years. Materials include a biography, a campaign poster, correspondence, awards, resumes, working files, and resignations. Folders are arranged alphabetically by title.

Series 13: Audiovisual, 1986-1994 (1 linear foot) This series consists of audiotapes of Commission meetings. Included are two videotapes titled In the Public Eye: D.C. Statehood and New Columbia: 51st State of the Union. Also included is an unidentified photograph and a photograph of the Statehood Now Demonstration. The materials are arranged alphabetically by title.

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## Administrative Information

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## Custodial History

The Records of the Statehood Commission were donated to the Library by Ned Sloan, Chair of the Commission.

## Processing Information

General processing procedures consisted of discarding duplicates, unnecessary binders, and routine transmittals. Oversized documents were removed from the original location in their assigned series and placed in separate containers. All photographs were removed from their original location and placed in the audio-visual series. Separation sheets were inserted in the original location within the folder to indicate the new location of any records placed elsewhere.

Preservation copying of newspaper clippings was performed whenever feasible. Records in folders were arranged, unless otherwise indicated, in reverse chronological order, with undated records appearing at the end of the folder. Folders containing records with no dates are indicated as n.d.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- Associations, institutions, etc
- Statehood (American politics)
- Suffrage
- Politics and government
- Legislation
- Political campaigns

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## Collection Inventory

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### Series 1: Administrative, 1986-1994

#### Scope and Contents

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services and conduct legal research for the Commission. The materials are arranged alphabetically by topic and then chronologically by date.

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## Series 2: Financial, ca. 1978-1995

### Scope and Contents

Financial records of the Commission are contained in this series, including annual budget and appropriation materials, invoices, payment vouchers, revenue and expense statements, and treasurer reports. Folders are arranged alphabetically by topic then chronologically by date.

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## Series 3: Meetings, 1978-1995

### Scope and Contents

Included in this series are meeting minutes, agenda, and background materials for regular and special meetings of the Commission from December 11, 1978 through January 5, 1995. Related materials include recordings of the meetings in the Audiovisual Series (9/19/86 through 5/5/88). Folders are arranged chronologically by date of meeting.

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## Series 4: Topics, 1788, 1941, 1968, 1980-1993

### Scope and Contents

This series consists of correspondence, memoranda, reports, handwritten notes, clippings, publications, statements, pamphlets, brochures, newsletters, lists, and bibliographies covering a variety of topics and activities of interest to the Commission. Of particular significance are materials regarding the D.C. Statehood Constitutional Convention, Democratic and Republican conventions, Statehood Constitution, activities by Shadow Senator Jesse Jackson, and state government reorganization. Folders are arranged alphabetically by topic and then chronologically by date.

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Hawaii state government reorganization (non-inclusive), 1959-1981	Box 44	Folder 3
Hawaii state government reorganization (non-inclusive), 1959-1981	Box 44	Folder 4



Hawaii state government reorganization (non-inclusive), 1959-1981	Box 44	Folder 5
Hawaii Omnibus Act, 1960	Box 44	Folder 6
Legal research options, November 6 1986	Box 44	Folder 7
Puerto Rico statehood research memoranda, September 19 1988	Box 44	Folder 8
Puerto Rico statehood research memoranda, October 3 1988	Box 44	Folder 9
Puerto Rico - research material - general, 1988-1989	Box 44	Folder 10
Statehood, 1953-1987	Box 44	Folder 11
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## Series 9: Correspondence, 1987-1994

### Scope and Contents

Single letters of importance, correspondence with Congress, a correspondence log, as well as general correspondence are included in this series. Single letters appear first and are arranged alphabetically by subject or name of correspondents; the remainder of the correspondence is arranged chronologically. Single letters include, among others, a letter sent to community leaders requesting their help in promoting the 1990 elections for shadow senators and representatives, a letter to Congressman Romano L. Mazzoli answering questions about statehood for non-federal parts of the district; a letter from the Commission congratulating Jesse Jackson on his election as shadow senator; and various letters to educators and schools about the Statehood education kit.

Title/Description	Instances	
ANC Commissioner letter, April 20 1987	Box 45	Folder 4
Butler-Boland letter, September 25 1989	Box 45	Folder 5
Butler-Fauntroy statehood mission teach letters, January 30 1987	Box 45	Folder 6
Butler-Smith letter re budget, February 21 1985	Box 45	Folder 7
Community leader letter, May 19 1989	Box 45	Folder 8
Dear Friend letter, July 28 1989	Box 45	Folder 9
Dear Friend letter, November 15 1989	Box 45	Folder 10
Election follow-up memoranda, 1990	Box 45	Folder 11
Fauntroy-Mason letter, January 17 1989	Box 45	Folder 12
Maguire-Reeder letter, October 18 1989	Box 45	Folder 13

Mazzoli - Representative Romano L. letter and background, 1987	Box 45	Folder 14
Non-voting representative letter (J. Jackson and C. Moreland), January 9 1991	Box 45	Folder 15
Rimensnyder letter, November 21 1989	Box 45	Folder 16
School Without Walls letter, September 20 1989	Box 45	Folder 17
Spock letter, June 8 1987	Box 45	Folder 18
Correspondence - Columbia Statehood Constitutional convention, 1982-1984	Box 45	Folder 19
Correspondence, 1986	Box 45	Folder 20
Correspondence, 1987	Box 45	Folder 21
Correspondence to Congress, 1987	Box 45	Folder 22
Correspondence, 1988	Box 45	Folder 23
Correspondence with Controller, 1988	Box 45	Folder 24
Correspondence, 1989	Box 45	Folder 25
Correspondence, 1990-1991	Box 45	Folder 26
Correspondence, 1993	Box 45	Folder 27
Correspondence, February-March 1994	Box 45	Folder 28
Correspondence to Congress, 1994	Box 45	Folder 29
Correspondence Log, June-August 1994	Box 46	Folder 1
Correspondence Log, September 1994 - January 1995	Box 46	Folder 2
Correspondence statehood, Undated	Box 46	Folder 3

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## Series 10: Articles, 1965-1994

### Scope and Contents

This series consists of scholarly and popular articles, reports, booklets, texts of speeches, and other writings, the majority of which discuss statehood for the District but also cover the statehood process, Washington, D.C politics, and other related topics. The writings are arranged alphabetically by title.

Title/Description	Instances	
"Anatomy of Street Murders" - Follow-up Conference - University of the District of Columbia, September 30-October 1 1988	Box 46	Folder 4
"Argument Paper for Statehood for D.C." - Ann-Marie Agostinelli, May 2 1988	Box 46	Folder 5

"The Black American and Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution: A Mass Media Perspective", 1987	Box 46	Folder 6
"Briefing Report to Congressional Requester" - D.C. Financial Status - General Accounting Office, June 1994	Box 46	Folder 7
"The Canal" - Part III [history of the CandO Canal], Undated	Box 46	Folder 8
"Commercial Office Buildings in Washington, 1989	Box 46	Folder 9
"Congressional Politics and Local Autonomy in Washington, March 13 1989	Box 46	Folder 10
"Constitutionality of D.C. Statehood" Peter Raven-Hansen - George Washington Law Review, November 1991	Box 46	Folder 11
"The Council of the District of Columbia", 1987-1988	Box 46	Folder 12
"The Economic Vitality of the Proposed State of New Columbia: The Federal and Payment; The Commuter Tax Scare: Tourism and "High Tech", Undated	Box 46	Folder 13
"Federal and Local Interests in the Nation's Capital" - Charles W. Harris, 1994	Box 46	Folder 14
"The 51st (fifty-first) State: Towards Statehood for the District of Columbia:" Greater Washington Americans for Democratic Action - Clint Hockenberry, October 1984	Box 46	Folder 15
"Financial Implications of Statehood for D.C." Financial Research Associates, September 1986	Box 46	Folder 16
"Fiscal Prospects for the State of New Columbia" - Brimmer and Company, September 11 1986	Box 47	Folder 1
The Five Negro Presidents" - J.A. Rogers, 1965	Box 47	Folder 2
"The Future of the District of Columbia: Home Rule" - Philip G. Schrag, 1990	Box 47	Folder 3
"Gut Feelings Toward to the City of Washington and the District of Columbia: Changes Over Time" - Janice H. Hopper (D.C. Statehood Commissioner), Undated	Box 47	Folder 4
"History of Apportionment", Undated	Box 47	Folder 5
"Increased Self-Government for the District of Columbia, December 17 1986	Box 47	Folder 6
"Human Services in Adams Morgan" - Adams Morgan ANC, Undated	Box 47	Folder 7
If You Favor Freedom - Statehood Commission, October 1986	Box 47	Folder 8
"In the American Tradition: An Analysis of the Proposed Constitution of the State of New Columbia" - Arnold and Porter, April 1986	Box 47	Folder 9
Jesse Jackson. We are Campaigning to Build a New Democratic Majority and Rebuild America, November 2 1991	Box 47	Folder 10

Options in Self-Government for the District of Columbia - Common Cause, 1985	Box 47	Folder 11
"King and Revolution" - Reflections Vincent Harding, 1983	Box 47	Folder 12
The New Columbia Times: Special Lobbying Issue, 1992	Box 47	Folder 13
Eleanor Holmes Norton Newsletter, 1994	Box 47	Folder 14
"Statehood?" Washington Post Magazine, July 4 1993	Box 47	Folder 15
"A Qualitative Research Assessment of How Some Americans View the Political Future of the Nation's Capital" - Edward M. Myers, September 1 1994	Box 47	Folder 16
Republican National Convention calendar, August 14 1998	Box 47	Folder 17
"Rivlin report: D.C. Shortchanged" - The Washington Post, December 21 1990	Box 47	Folder 18
"Statehood and Territories" - Congress and the Nation, 1960s	Box 47	Folder 19
Statehood bibliography, Undated	Box 47	Folder 20
Statehood Call: Voice of the Statehood Party, March 13 1971	Box 47	Folder 21
Statehood Call: Voice of the Statehood Party, March 22 1981	Box 47	Folder 22
"Statehood for the District of Columbia" - National Academy for Public Administration, 1990	Box 47	Folder 23
"Statehood for New Columbia" - edited by James Forman, 1993	Box 47	Folder 24
State Government [various articles on government organization], 1979, 1985-1986	Box 47	Folder 25
The Statehood Papers: Articles on D.C. Statehood by Sam Smith - published by Progressive Review, 1970-1991	Box 47	Folder 26

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## Series 11: Memorabilia, 1976-1991

### Scope and Contents

During the struggle for statehood, the Commission and other organizations working for statehood created a variety of promotional materials some or which are contained in this series. A sample of these Items include "March for D.C. Statehood" fliers, "The Facts About D.C. Statehood" brochure, "Mend the Crack in the Liberty Bell, D.C. Statehood Now!" bumper sticker, the "D.C. Statehood Now" button, poems, songs, the D.C. Statehood tote bag, and the Flag for New Columbia. Items in this series are arranged alphabetically by title.

Title/Description	Instances	
200 Years of History in Cleveland Park, Undated	Box 48	Folder 7
Camera, Undated	Box 48	Folder 8
Centennial Celebration Western-Ellington, 1990	Box 48	Folder 9

Citizens for New Columbia - promotional items, Undated	Box 48	Folder 10
D.C. Statehood Commission folder, Undated	Box 48	Folder 11
D.C. Statehood Commission stationary, Undated	Box 48	Folder 12
"D.C. Statehood Now" button, Undated	Box 48	Folder 13
D.C. Statehood tote bag, Undated	Box 48	Folder 14
Duke Ellington School of the Arts - Annual Spring Dance Concert program, May 25-26 1990	Box 48	Folder 15
"The Facts About D.C. Statehood", Undated	Box 48	Folder 16
Flag for New Columbia story, Undated	Box 48	Folder 17
"Jobs, Undated	Box 48	Folder 18
March for D.C. Statehood flyers, January 1991	Box 48	Folder 19
Charles Noble Mason - "An Evening of Appreciation", April 9 1988	Box 48	Folder 20
"Mend the Crack in the Liberty Bell; D.C. Statehood Now!" bumper sticker, Undated	Box 48	Folder 21
Peace Train flyer, Undated	Box 48	Folder 22
Poems and songs, Undated	Box 48	Folder 23
"Progressive Alternative in District Politics" [Statehood Party brochures], Undated	Box 48	Folder 24
Singham Memorial tribute, 1991	Box 48	Folder 25
"Socialist for President Margaret Wright 1976-The People's Party" bumper sticker, 1976	Box 48	Folder 26
Statehood Coalition poster, Undated	Box 48	Folder 27
Statehood Coalition - "D.C. Statehood Now!" brochure, Undated	Box 48	Folder 28
Statehood petition [blank], Undated	Box 48	Folder 29
"The Struggle for Self-Determination: From D.C. to El Salvador" flyer, Undated	Box 48	Folder 30
"Support D.C. Statehood" bumper sticker, Undated	Box 48	Folder 31
Vote for D.C. State Constitution, Undated	Box 48	Folder 32
"Welcome to Washington: The Last Colony" flyer, 1988	Box 48	Folder 33

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## Series 12: Jo Butler Materials, 1978-1993

## Scope and Contents

Josephine Butler was a key figure in the statehood movement and Chair of the D.C. Statehood Commission for many years. Materials about or from her are contained in this series. They include her biography, a campaign poster, correspondence, awards, resumes, working files, and resignations. Folders are arranged alphabetically by title.

Title/Description	Instances	
Adams Morgan/Lanier Heights Historical Research Survey, 1982-1987	Box 49	Folder 1
Awards, Undated	Box 49	Folder 2
Biography, Undated	Box 49	Folder 3
Birthday cards, Undated	Box 49	Folder 4
Campaign Finance Office, 1984	Box 49	Folder 5
Campaign Poster, Undated	Box 49	Folder 6
Candidate petition, Undated	Box 49	Folder 7
Correspondence, 1978-1984	Box 49	Folder 8
Hansib Community Award, 1989	Box 49	Folder 9
Resignation, 1993	Box 49	Folder 10
Resignation from ANC, 1987	Box 49	Folder 11
Resumes, Undated	Box 49	Folder 12
Working Files, 1988-1991	Box 49	Folder 13
Working Files, 1988-1991	Box 49	Folder 14
Working Files, 1988-1991	Box 49	Folder 15
Working Files, 1988-1991	Box 49	Folder 16
Working Files, 1988-1991	Box 49	Folder 17

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## Series 13: Audiovisual, 1986-1994

### Scope and Contents

This series consists of audiotapes of Commission meetings; two videotapes titled "In the Public Eye: D.C. Statehood," and "New Columbia: 51st State of the Union;" and two photographs -- one unidentified and the other regarding the Statehood Now Demonstration. The materials are arranged alphabetically by title.

Title/Description	Instances	
36 Audiotapes of Statehood/Compact Commission Meeting, September 19 1986 - May 5 1988	Box 50	Folder 1

25 Audiotapes of Statehood/Compact Commission Meeting, May 5 1988 - December 15 1988	Box 51	Folder 1
Videotape - Joia Jefferson "In the Public Eye: D.C. Statehood", July 26 1994	Box 51	Folder 2
Joia Jefferson - "In the Public Eye: D.C. Statehood", July 26 1994	Box 51	Folder 3
Statehood Now Demonstration photo, Undated	Box 51	Folder 4
Unidentified photo (related to Adams Morgan Lanier Heights Survey), Undated	Box 51	Folder 5

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