

## **Guide to the Robert Griffith Escrow Papers for the Las Vegas Army Airfield in Southern Nevada**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Griffith, Robert B.
<b>Title:</b>	Robert B. Griffith Escrow Papers for the Las Vegas Army Airfield in Southern Nevada
<b>ID:</b>	MS-00028
<b>Date:</b>	1941
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.1 Linear Feet (1 shared box)
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Robert B. Griffith papers date to 1941 and contain the escrow holder papers of Robert B. Griffith and A. Corradetti recording their purchase of 40 acres of federal land located in Southern Nevada. The collection also contains receipts from the United States Department of War confirming the cost and deposit of the fee for the land. The land eventually became Nellis Air Force Base Airfield.

### Preferred Citation

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## Scope and Contents Notes

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The Robert B. Griffith papers date to 1941 and contain the escrow holder papers of Robert B. Griffith and A. Corradetti recording their purchase of 40 acres of federal land. The collection also contains receipts from the Department of War confirming the cost and deposit of the fee for land located in Southern Nevada. In 1941 the land became the Las Vegas Army Airfield and operated as a United States Army training base for gunners and pilots. It was renamed the Las Vegas Air Force Base in 1948 as the U.S. military was establishing the Air Force as a separate branch. It was renamed the Nellis Air Force Base Airfield in 1950.

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## Arrangement Note

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Materials remain in original order.

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## Administrative Information

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### Access Note

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### Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 1980 by Mary Jane (Griffith) Rieter; accession number 80-37.

### Processing Note

Materials were processed by Special Collections Staff. In 2015 as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Hana Gutierrez created the collection description and brought it into compliance with current professional standards.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Air bases
- Las Vegas (Nev.) -- History
- Nellis Air Force Base (Nev.)
- Las Vegas Army Air Field (Nev.)
- Las Vegas Air Force Base (Nev.)

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers
Federal land purchasing documents, 1941	box SH-001