Guide to the Dr. James B. McMillan oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Abstract: Oral history interview with Dr. James B. McMillan conducted by Perry Kaufman on April 14, 1972 for the UNLV University Libraries Oral History Project. In the interview, McMillan discusses his childhood in Aberdeen, Mississippi and his parents' experience with racial discrimination. He then talks about his own experiences with racial discrimination while living in Las Vegas, Nevada. McMillan recalls his involvement with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), and the tension between community leaders and local politicians including Pat McCarran and John Russell. McMillan discusses integration and white power structures and how they affect the Black community in Las Vegas. Lastly, he discusses his relationship with other Black activists and figures in the community, including Dr. Charles West, Bob Bailey, Lubertha Johnson, and Mabel Hoggard.

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Names and Subjects

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Westside (Las Vegas, Nev.)
- Race relations
- Civil rights
- African Americans
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Las Vegas Branch (Las Vegas, Nev.).