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**MS 1165
Cameron, James Duke, 1925-
Papers, 1968-1991**

DESCRIPTION

Papers of James Duke Cameron relating to his work with the Conference of Chief Justices, the American Bar Association, the University of Virginia LLM program and his writings and speeches concerning his views on judicial matters. Also includes correspondence and petitions relating to the Republican Party and his elections in 1968 and 1970.

13 Boxes, 6.5 linear ft.

ACQUISITION

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PROCESSING

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ARRANGEMENT

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

James Duke Cameron, Chief Justice of the Arizona Supreme Court is a native of Richmond, Calif., and began practicing law in 1954 after earning a degree in political science from the University of California at Berkeley and a law degree at the University of Arizona. He remained in private practice until 1964, serving for six months in 1960 as a Yuma County Superior Court judge. In 1965, he was elected as a Republican to a seat on the state Court of Appeals, Division 1, where he remained until taking his Supreme Court seat in January 1971. He served as chief justice from 1975 to 1980. Cameron gained a nationwide reputation as a judicial administrator and is the only Arizona chief justice to have served as chairman of the Conference of Chief Justices, a nationwide group. Cameron has served on numerous legal committees and boards and has been active in reviewing and updating rules of ethics for both lawyers and judges. He retired from the Arizona Supreme Court in 1992.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The papers of James Duke Cameron reflect Cameron's political and judicial work primarily in the areas beyond his strictly legal opinions. His legal opinions from his casework are not represented in this collection. This collection contains Cameron's work with various committees related to law and the judiciary as well as his work on legal education. Political work with the Republican Party is represented by correspondence with party officials around the state centered on Cameron's elections in 1968 and 1970. Some judicial materials are included including two logbooks (not clearly identified) of Superior Court Cases from 1957-1968.

SERIES NOTES

Series one contains the writings of James Duke Cameron. This includes speeches and articles. Some of the topics are concerned with ethics in the judiciary and politics as well as a speech on "Judicial Philosophy."

Series two contains a variety of judicial materials including Cameron's materials on instructions to new law clerks and materials on the State Justice Institute. Included in this series are letters received by Cameron upon his stepping down as chief justice.

Series three are political campaign materials, including correspondence and petitions. The 1970 campaign is more extensive with materials divided by county.

Series four are Cameron's materials on the Conference of Chief Justices. The Conference of Chief Justices is a national organization comprised of Chief Justices and state court administrators from around the country. They are concerned with issues such as state court financing, the role of jurors and other issues relating to the judiciary. Cameron organized the 1979 conference in Phoenix and correspondence and other organizational materials are included.

Series five contains Cameron's papers on his membership and leadership role in various law organizations, including the American Bar Association, Judicial Administration Division.

The Sixth series are the papers on the University of Virginia, LLM program. Cameron was involved in establishing this advanced degree program for judges and then attended in 1980 and 1981, received his advanced degree. This series contains his thesis and dissertation, as well as his notes and papers.

The Seventh series contains audio-cassette tapes of the 1979 Conference of Chief Justices in Phoenix. These ten cassettes are recordings of the proceedings with talks given by Cameron, Chief Justice Warren Burger, Evo Deconcini and other justices from around the country.

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Series 4 : Conference of Chief Justices

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