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**MS 1398**  
**Ralph W. Bilby Collection**  
**1918/ 1957 - 1987**

## **DESCRIPTION**

The Ralph W. Bilby Collection consists of newspaper clippings, degree certificates, and a transcript of his confirmation hearing before the US Senate Judiciary Committee on appointment as a United States District Judge in 1979. A large portion of the collection contains correspondence and well wishes to Bilby on his birthdays and to his widow in 1987 at the time of his death. Additional folders feature images and notations of Bilby in University of Arizona publications, the American Law Association meeting in London in 1971, and other pamphlets

2 Boxes, 1 linear ft.

## **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

Ralph W. Bilby was born September 15, 1891 in Concho, AZ. He came to the University of Arizona and graduated from the College of Law in 1920. He was the first University of Arizona student from the College of Law to be admitted to the State Bar of Arizona. He served as an assistant U.S. attorney for the District of Arizona in 1922. Bilby was the first president of the UA Law School Association. He died February 19, 1987.

## **ACQUISITION**

Unknown.

## **ACCESS**

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## **PROCESSING**

The collection was processed by Dave Tackenberg in June 2010.

## Box and Folder Listing

### Box 1

Folder 1	Bilby Newspaper Clippings	1977 – 1987
f.2	Automobile Titles	1981/1984
f.3	Bilby American Bar Association Award	1971
f.4	Bilby Doctor of Law Degree	1987
f.5	Bilby Confirmation Hearing for Federal Judge	1979
f.6	General Correspondence	1974 – 1987
f.7-8	Bilby Birthday Celebration	1982
f.9	Bilby Birthday Celebration	1986
f.10-11	Death Condolence Letters	1987

### Box 2

f.12	Death Condolence Letters	1987
f.13	Organization Contributions in Bilby's Name	1987
f.14	Guest Register	N.D.
f.15	University of Arizona <i>Desert</i> Yearbook	1918
f.16	American Bar Association Meeting	1971
f.17	Past Presidents of the Old Pueblo Club of Tucson	1974
f.18	University of Arizona "President's Club Report"	1977
f.19	University of Arizona "Report"	1987
f.20	University of Arizona "Law Record"	1987
f.21	<i>Jesse Addison Udall</i> by David K. Udall	1981
f.22	MISC Items	1957/1977
	One Photo of Bilby	
	American Bar Association Dinner Menu	
	Speech to Group on Ralph Bilby	