

**McLean County Museum of History**

**Merlin Kennedy Collection**

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**Brief History**

Merlin Kennedy (1926- )

The local story of the American Civil Rights Movement cannot be told without a chapter on Merlin Kennedy. His unique style of leadership and bold demonstrations against segregation made national headlines as the nation struggled to redefine race relations.

Merlin was born in Decatur, Illinois and was drafted by the U.S. Navy in 1945 before he graduated high school. He successfully finished his high school diploma and moved to Detroit,

Michigan after he completed his duties in 1949. With help from the G.I. Bill he trained over five years to be a mechanical draftsman at the Chrysler Engineering Institute, working days at the DeSoto automobile plant and attending class at night. He also received certification to work as a diesel mechanic.

“Every chance or opportunity I got to go to school, I was there,” Merlin said. “Every crack they opened up, I crawled in.”

Unemployment in the Motor City was high due to a series of layoffs in the automobile industry. This forced him to move back to Illinois, seeking a job and better pay. He initially returned to Decatur where he successfully trained to be a solo pilot, but found employers weren't interested in hiring a black pilot.

In 1959 Merlin moved in with his brother in Bloomington and sought out jobs as a mechanical draftsman. He remembers being told each time he applied for a draftsman position that his training was too good and they needed someone with “lesser standards.”

“‘Lesser standards’ was [code for] not a permanent sun tan,” he said. “I never did find a job as a draftsman.”

Merlin eventually earned a spot with the Eureka-Williams Company as a punch press operator. He moved up the ranks quickly until he applied to become a foreman. He said the general manager at the time didn't want a black foreman on his staff, so Merlin officially protested the discrimination to company officials. He eventually got the job and supervised more than 60 employees.

By the mid-1960s, Merlin's protests were moving to the public stage. He had been inspired by the 1960 state convention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) that had been held in Bloomington. He joined in as protestors walked outside of Woolworth's and Kresge's downtown storefronts, calling for an end to segregated lunch counters in Illinois and throughout states in the South. He was later elected president of the local chapter of the NAACP.

In 1965-66 Merlin traveled with Ralph Smith, a fellow civil rights worker, to Jackson, Mississippi to help with voter registration. As the NAACP president, Merlin worked again with Smith on fair housing in Bloomington-Normal. They recruited white and black couples to apply for rental units. If the couples heard contrasting feedback about the availability of a property, the NAACP would file a complaint against the landlord. The plan was a success, leading to the first fair housing ordinance in the region in 1967 and the strongest in the state at the time.

The duo was also instrumental in the founding of human relations commissions in Bloomington and Normal.

“We were lucky to get the housing law without bloodshed, but they did throw a brick once and there were threatening letters and phone calls,” Merlin remembers.

During that time, Merlin also helped found a grassroots organization to develop more provocative demonstrations than the NAACP would permit. Its members called the group "US". They targeted landlords, bureaucrats, and business leaders with public protests and boycotts.

"It was basically a group to agitate and confront," he said.

Some of their collaborations alongside the NAACP included a 1965 march around the courthouse square in support of voter rights in the South and a triumvirate of parade floats that flew in the face of local holiday traditions.

In May 1966, Merlin took on the segregated American Legion Posts in Bloomington-Normal, a move that inspired criticism from both the white and black Legion members. Merlin says he was denied membership to the white post, so he rode on a Memorial Day Parade float that stated "Our War dead died together. Bloomington segregated their honor today."

By November of that year, Merlin was ready for his most indelible act of defiance. The previous year, the NAACP was kicked out of the annual Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade for illegally entering a float that featured a black Santa Claus. The downtown Bloomington merchants and the City of Bloomington tried to stop a similar float in 1966, pointing to a rule that only allowed one Santa Claus to appear in the parade.

As president of the NAACP, Merlin not only appeared in a Santa suit during a city council meeting to protest the "One Santa Rule," he contacted media and assured them Black Santa would appear.

On the morning of the parade, police followed the float out of Franklin Park and cut off the driver at Main and Chestnut streets. Merlin and three others climbed down from the sleigh and walked the whole parade route waving to children.

"They just seen the suit and they didn't recognize a black person in the suit. One [white] woman almost jerked her little boy's arm off because he called me Santa Claus," Merlin recalls.

Though police threatened to arrest him for "disturbing the peace," Merlin was not arrested.

He did, however, inspire some arresting headlines in newspapers across the country and in JET magazine: *Black Santa Rides Again, Ho Ho Ho*.

"We wanted to show them the thoughts of the mayor [Bob McGraw] and everyone else in Bloomington. How they react to situations of that nature ... brought their true colors out," Merlin explained.

Christmas 1967, the NAACP float featured a Nativity scene with a white Mary and a black Joseph. The sign stated, "They said there's no room at the inn, dear. We've heard that jazz before!"

Merlin and the NAACP worked with State Farm and local universities to change hiring and recruiting practices to include more minorities. State Farm eventually began to hold night classes to improve minority workers' skills which expanded their career opportunities with the company.

Merlin would run unsuccessfully for the Bloomington City Council multiple times, forcing minority issues into the municipal spotlight. He was the first chair of the Bloomington Human Relations Commission, and served on the Board of the YMCA of Bloomington. Merlin was the first recipient of the Normal Human Relations Commission's Martin Luther King, Jr. Award, and in 1999 he was awarded the NAACP's Roy Wilkins Award for his individual efforts to fight racism and motivate others to join the cause.

Merlin continues to share his story with younger generations, hoping to inspire passion for equality and fairness.

He tells students the Civil Rights Movement was all volunteer work, and it required a great deal of personal sacrifice. Merlin says he was often docked pay when he attended organizing meetings, he lost sleep due to late night calls for help, his family missed him, and he footed the bill for many fellow blacks who needed bail money following a run-in with police.

Despite the threats and losses he witnessed, Merlin says it was "the need -- the necessity for change" that got him involved just the same.

Merlin has three daughters from his first marriage to Bernice, and he helped raise two stepdaughters and one stepson with his wife Beulah. Beulah was his partner in the fight for equality. They met through their work with the local NAACP and were married for 34 years until her death in 2002.

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## Scope

The collection includes the personal papers of Mr. Kennedy, and his wife Beulah (1923-2002). They include documents from his time serving on the Bloomington Human Relations Commission and as President of the local chapter of the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People). Also, documents relating to his work history, participation in amateur athletics (mostly softball and golf), and his association with numerous nonprofit organizations.

The collection is organized in 6 main categories: **Personal Information; Bloomington Human Relations Commission; Organizations, Religion, Social Causes; NAACP; Affirmative Action; and Housing Issues.**

## Box and Folder Inventory

### Box 1

### Personal Information

#### Folder 1: Overview of Collection

##### 1.1.1 Box and Folder Inventory

#### Folder 2: Biographical Information

- 1.2.1 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Merlin R. Kennedy, Education as of November 24, 1972", 24 November 1972, 1 page (2 copies, one signed by Mr. Kennedy; one with additional handwritten notation).
- 1.2.2 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Merlin R. Kennedy, Civic Record as of November 24, 1972", 24 November 1972, 1 page.
- 1.2.3 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "I. Personal Information", undated, 2 pages, re: Biographical Information.
- 1.2.4 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "I. Merlin R. Kennedy", undated, 2 pages, re: Biographical Information.
- 1.2.5 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Personal Data, Community Development, Educational Background", undated, 1 page, re: Biographical Information.
- 1.2.6 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "No. II Education", undated, 1 page.
- 1.2.7 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "No. III Political and Civic record", undated, 1 page.
- 1.2.8 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "The Highlights of the Past", undated, 1 page, re: Listing of events Mr. Kennedy participated in.
- 1.2.9 Document (typewritten; photocopy), untitled, undated, 2 pages, re: Biographical Narrative, signed by Carl E. Stringfield.

- 1.2.10 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "Community Activity", undated, 2 pages, re: Biographical Information.
- 1.2.11 Document (photograph), "Notice of Separation from U.S. Naval Service", 24 April 1946, 1 page (plus 2 photocopies).
- 1.2.12 Document (photocopy), "Honorable Discharge from the United States Navy", 24 April 1946, 1 page.
- 1.2.13 Document (photocopy), "Student Pilot Certificate No. S. 1420165", 28 June 1948, 1 page, Re: Student Pilot Certificate issued by the Department of Commerce Civil Aeronautics Administration.
- 1.2.14 Document (photocopy), "Decatur High School Diploma", 2 February 1950, 1 page, re: Diploma for Merlin Robert Kennedy Decatur, Illinois.
- 1.2.15 Document (photocopy), "Report Card, Chrysler Institute of Engineering", June 1958, 1 page (plus photocopy of undated graduation program), re: Mr. Kennedy received a "B" in "Mech. Dft. 7".
- 1.2.16 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Elsie Brenneman, Director of Admissions, Illinois State Normal University, Normal, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 22 January 1960, 1 page, re: Admission to Illinois State Normal University as a "Special Student".
- 1.2.17 Document (photocopy), "Certificate of Record of Marriage", 7 October 1988, 1 page, re: Marriage of Merlin R. Kennedy and Beulah M. Thornton on 28 October 1967.
- 1.2.18 Document (photocopy), "Holy Matrimony" Certificate for Merlin R. Kennedy and Beulah M. Thornton, 28 October 1967, 1 page, re: Certificate signed by Dr. T. A. Clark.
- 1.2.19 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from R. E. Sharp, Adult Education Administrator, Board of Education, District 87, Bloomington, Illinois, to "Dear Sir", 1 April 1971, 1 page, re: Merlin Kennedy has completed course entitled, "Introduction to Engineering".
- 1.2.20 Letter (typewritten with handwritten inserts; photocopy), from James F. Lynch, Major Traffic Accident Investigation Section, Chicago Police Department, Chicago, Illinois to Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 21 July 1976, 1 page, re: Need to file accident report for automobile accident which occurred at 7550 Coles on 17 July 1976.
- 1.2.21 Letter (handwritten; photocopy), from Merlin R. Kennedy, to no addressee (but presumably to Chicago Police Department, Chicago, Illinois), 25 July 1976, 1 page, re: "I was not in Chicago and nobody had my car."
- 1.2.22 Document (photocopy), "Corrected Title" for 1973 Lincoln Continental, 1 June 1979, 1 page, re: Certificate of Title, showing Lien Release by Eureka Company Federal Credit Union, 26 September 1980.
- 1.2.23 Letter (handwritten; photocopy), from Merlin R. Kennedy, to Certificates and Records, Civil Aeronautics Administration, Washington, D.C., 26 May 1987, 1 page, re: requesting two copies of Student Pilot Certificate.
- 1.2.24 Letter (handwritten; photocopy), from Merlin R. Kennedy, to Airman's Certification Branch, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 26 May 1987, 1 page, re: "I would like to know if there is a record of the hours that I accumulated while training."
- 1.2.25 Document (photocopy), "Response to Request for Separation Documents/Information", from Richard M. Schrader, National Personnel Record Center, St. Louis, Missouri, to Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 15 June 1987, 1 page, re: "The attached document(s) furnished in response to the request."

- 1.2.26 Newspaper Clipping, "How Time Flies", The Pantagraph, 24 June 1990, page F10, re: 25 years ago Merlin Kennedy and Ralph L. Smith went to Jackson, Mississippi, to participate in the Delta Project.
- 1.2.27 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Lisa Guerrero, Personnel Assistant, Kellermeyer Building Services, Maumee, Ohio, to Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 3 November 1998, 1 page, re: you are eligible for attendance bonus and a pay increase.
- 1.2.28 Newspaper Clipping (photocopy), Housekeeping Want Ad for "Bergner's Eastland Mall, Crew Positions", undated, 1 page, re: Apply to Kellermeyer Building Services.
- 1.2.29 Photo Negative, "Fact Sheet Merlin R. Kennedy", undated, 1 page (plus partial "print-out"), re: Biographical Information.
- 1.2.30 Newspaper Clipping, "Honoring King; Reverend's '61 visit inspired 2 men", The Pantagraph, undated, 1 page, re: Story about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. speech, with photo of Merlin Kennedy and Ralph Smith at Illinois Wesleyan University Memorial Student Union.

**Folder 3: Certificates and Recognition**

- 1.3.1 Document (printed certificate), Michigan Diesel School, Inc. Diploma for Diesel and Truck Maintenance, 14 April 1950, 1 page, re: Awarded to Merlin R. Kennedy.
- 1.3.2 Document (printed certificate), Chrysler Institute of Engineering Certificate in Mechanical Drafting, 3 June 1958, 1 page, re: Awarded to Merlin R. Kennedy.
- 1.3.3. Letter (typewritten), from Lyle F. Peckmann, Consulting Engineer, Bloomington, Illinois, to Robert Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 17 December 1963, 1 page, re: "It was a distinct pleasure to have had your presence in the Trade Extension Class just completed."
- 1.3.4 Document (printed certificate), "9th Annual Appreciation Day Award 1966" for Outstanding Civic Service to the City of Bloomington, Illinois, 5 December 1966, 1 page, re: Awarded to Merlin R. Kennedy, Member, Bloomington Commission on Human Relations.
- 1.3.5 Document (printed certificate), "10th Annual Appreciation Day Award 1967" for Outstanding Civic Service to the City of Bloomington, Illinois, 4 December 1967, 1 page, re: Awarded to Merlin R. Kennedy, Member, Bloomington Commission on Human Relations.
- 1.3.6 Document (printed certificate), "Civic Woman's Club Citation of Service Award", 24 March 1968, 1 page, re: Awarded to Merlin R. Kennedy for Outstanding Civic Achievements in Human Relations in Bloomington-Normal, Illinois.
- 1.3.7 Document (printed certificate), "City of Bloomington Illinois Certificate of Appreciation", 15 January 1972, 1 page, re: Awarded to Merlin R. Kennedy "has rendered valuable and distinguished service to the City of Bloomington".
- 1.3.8 Document (printed; photocopy), Resolution, 8 January 1973, 1 page, re: City of Bloomington Resolution expressing gratitude to members of the Bloomington Human Relations Commission.
- 1.3.9 Document (typewritten; photocopy), Resolution, 11 January 1977, 1 page, re: City of Bloomington Resolution No. 1977-3 expressing "thanks and appreciation to Merlin Kennedy for his devotion and outstanding contributions to the City and its betterment."

- 1.3.10 Letter (typewritten), from Harold Liston, Editor, The Daily Pantagraph, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 1 March 1978, 1 page (plus Certificate from The Daily Pantagraph certifying Mr. Kennedy to be an Honorary Associate Editor), re: congratulating Mr. Kennedy for being one of 39 persons chosen as a writer of best Letters to the Editor in 1977.
- 1.3.11 Document (typewritten; photocopy), Certificate of Registration issued by Federated Tax Service, 1979, 1 page, re: Certifies Mr. Kennedy, in order to provide tax preparation service has been furnished with Federal Income Tax Information and Regulations.
- 1.3.12 Letter (typewritten), from Nan Van Anandel, Vice President – Communications and Catalog, Chairman, Amway Easter Seal Campaign, East Ada, Michigan, to Merlin and Beulah Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 4 February 1991, 1 page (plus Certificate of Appreciation for “generous contribution”), re: thank you for gift.
- 1.3.13 Document (printed certificate), “Sure-Lok Certificate of Completion”, 20 August 2004, 1 page, re: For Completion of the Wheelchair Securement & Occupant Restraint Systems, Safe & Secure Training Program.
- 1.3.14 Document (printed certificate), “First Student Awards this Certificate to Merlin Kennedy”, October 2004, 1 page, re: Selection as Monitor of the Month.
- 1.3.15 Document (printed certificate), “Mack Trucks, Inc.”, undated, 1 page, re: M.R. Kennedy has completed the Mack Diesel Training Course.

**Folder 4: Personal Financial Information**

- 1.4.1 Document (printed; typewritten entries added), “Mortgage”, for \$6400.00, from The National Bank of Bloomington, Illinois, as Trustee, to Bloomington Federal Savings and Loan Association, 15 October 1962, 1 page, re: Property identified as Lots 13 and 14 in Block 1 in Schroeder’s Addition to the City of Bloomington [601 E. Oakland Ave.].
- 1.4.2 Documents (printed and typewritten), “Passenger Car License Plate Renewal Notice” from Paul Powell, Illinois Secretary of State, 22 August 1968, 1 page (plus letter from Paul Powell, return envelope, and mailing envelope), re: 1969 Renewal for Merlin R. Kennedy’s 1963 Lincoln 4 Dr. Sedan.
- 1.4.3 Document (printed; typewritten entries added), “Bloomington Federal Savings and Loan Association Loan Settlement Statement”, for Merlin r. and Beulah E. Kennedy, 9 March 1977, 1 page, re: \$9300.00 loan for 601 E. Oakland Avenue, Bloomington, Illinois.
- 1.4.4 Document (printed; typewritten entries added), “1977 Real Estate Tax” Bill, 23 May 1978, 1 page, re: Real Estate tax bill for 601 E. Oakland; marked ‘Paid’.
- 1.4.5 Document (printed; typewritten entries added), “Statement of Mortgage Interest Charged”, 1978 (for 1979), 1 page, re: interest paid to Bloomington Federal savings and Loan.
- 1.4.6 Document (printed; photocopy: typewritten entries added), “State of Illinois Certificate of Title of a Vehicle”, 6 June 1979, 1 page, re: 1970 Ford Bronco, showing 1980 release of lien from Eureka Company Federal Credit Union.
- 1.4.7 Document (printed booklet; handwritten entries), Check Register, 27 June 1985 – 9 January 1986, re: Check and Deposit record for unidentified financial institution.
- 1.4.8 Document (printed; typewritten entries added), Jasper Oil Producers, Inc. “Oil and Gas Operating Agreement”, 24 July 1984, 3 pages (plus 14 page “Illinois Basin Report”, “Investor Questionnaire”, and mailing envelope), [Note: documents not executed].



- 1.4.9 Document (Typewritten; Brown Folder), Prospectus for Jasper Oil Producers, Inc., 18 October 1984, 25 pages, re: Ohme, Yockey, and Reinbolt Prospects.
- 1.4.10 Documents (printed; typewritten entries), Mortgage Loan Documents, 15 February 1991, for \$40,000.00 for 601 E. Oakland Ave. Bloomington, Illinois:
- a. "Loan Proposal", 1 page, executed by Jacqui Luedtke, Loan Officer, and Merlin R. Kennedy.
  - b. "Federal Truth-In-Lending Disclosure Statement", 1 page, signed by Merlin R. Kennedy and Beulah M. Kennedy.
  - c. Letter from The Eureka Company, 30 January 1991, 1 page, from Kay Clemons, Employee Benefit Specialist, re: monthly benefit from White Consolidated Retirement Plan.
  - d. "Residential Loan Application", 2 pages.
  - e. "Note", 2 pages.
  - f. "Notice of Right to Cancel", 1 page.
  - g. "Mortgage: 4 pages.
  - h. "Federal Truth-In-Lending Disclosure Statement" [version 2], 2 pages, signed by Merlin R. Kennedy and Beulah M. Kennedy.
- 1.4.11 Letter (typewritten; "Social Security, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services" Letterhead), from Jo Anne B. Barnhart, Commission, Social Security Administration, and Thomas A. Scully, Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Baltimore Maryland, to Merlin Kennedy for Charles F. Jones II, Bloomington, Illinois, 25 November 2002, 1 page (plus envelope), re: "...you may be able to get help paying for Medicare Hospital Insurance (Part A)...".
- 1.4.12 Document (printed), "Earnings Statement", form First Student School Transportation Services, Inc., for Merlin Kennedy, 31 October 2008, 2 pages (plus envelope), re: \$10.55 per hour.
- 1.4.13 Document (printed), Pay Stub from KB Staffing, for Merlin R. Kennedy, 30 December 2011, 1 page.
- 1.4.14 Documents (printed), Envelope identified as "For Tax 2013":
- a. Social Security Administration Retirement, Survivors and Disability Insurance" will send benefits to financial institution. 1 page (with envelope).
  - b. "BNY Mellon Direct Deposit Summary", 1 page (with envelope).
  - c. Chase letter advising receipt of Mortgage Assistance Request, 8 pages (with envelope).
  - d. Chase Mortgage Loan Statement, 3 pages (with envelope).
  - e. PNC Band Address Change Confirmation Notice, moving from 601 E. Oakland, Bloomington, Illinois, to 510 Broadway, Normal, Illinois, 1 page (with envelope).
  - f. PNC Access Checking Statement, 2 pages (with envelope).
  - g. Form SSA -1099 – Social Security Benefit Statement, 1 page.
  - h. 4 Advertisements (with envelope) for "BioStem Complete Health in a Liquid Capsule".
  - i. Advertisement for Prostate Pill, 1 page (with envelope).

- 1.4.15 Document (typewritten), Lawsuit, No. 13 CH 308, McLean County, Bloomington, Illinois, JPMorgan Chase Bank, Plaintiff vs. Merlin R. Kennedy; City of Bloomington; Illinois Housing Development Authority; Unknown Owners and Non-record Claimants, Defendants, 28 March 2014, 8 pages, re: Appearance by Illinois Housing Development Authority.
- 1.4.16 Postcard (pink), from City of Bloomington Water Dept., Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, undated, re: new water meter.

**Folder 5: Beulah Kennedy**

- 1.5.1 Letter (typewritten; "Sunnyside Neighborhood Center" letterhead), from Melba L. Moore, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Mrs. Beulah Kennedy, Ill-Mo Traveling Bowling League, Bloomington, Illinois, 12 July 1969, 2 pages (with envelope), re: Requesting Bowling League provide furnishing and equipment for Sunnyside Neighborhood Center which is currently under construction; facility to be leased to YMCA.
- 1.5.2 Newsletter (printed), "Audio News" General Electric, Audio Electronics Product Department, Decatur, Illinois, 26 May 1972, 4 pages.
- 1.5.3 Greeting Card, "Christmas", from Juanita & Family, to Grandmother, 14 December 1973, re: Hal is 3 ½, and Nicole is 15 months.
- 1.5.4 Newsletter (printed; tan paper), "Daily Reporter", General Purpose Control Department, General Electric, Bloomington, Illinois, Vol. 22, No. 99, 20 May 1976, 2 pages.
- 1.5.5 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from R A Hany, Manager –Personnel Accounting, General Electric, Bloomington, Illinois, to B. M. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 9 June 1976, 2 pages, re: "Our records indicate that you are absent because of illness."
- 1.5.6 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from James E. Samsel, Manager –Personnel Placement, General Electric, Bloomington, Illinois, to B. M. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 9 June 1976, 1 page, re: "We are sorry to learn of your illness and hope you have an early recovery".
- 1.5.7 Document (printed booklet), "1982 Schedule 53rd Annual Tournament for the Championships of the Illinois Women's Bowling Association", 13 February 1982, 58 pages.
- 1.5.8 Document (printed), Bill from American Family Mutual Insurance Company, Madison, Wisconsin, 16 March 1986, 1 page, re: Auto Policy for "79 Olds Cutl" ..
- 1.5.9 Document (computer printed), "Electronic Funds Transaction Notification", 1 April 1986, 1 page (with envelope), re: Credit to Checking Account.
- 1.5.10 Newsletter (printed), "General Electric Newsnotes for Pensioners", by Corporate Employee Relations, Fairfield, Connecticut, Summer 1986, 4 pages.
- 1.5.11 Document (printed), "Form W – 2 P", from General Electric Pension Trust, 1990, 1 page, re: Pension payments received by Beulah Kennedy.
- 1.5.12 Document (printed form; handwritten entries added), "1996 Human Relations Award Nomination" for Bloomington, Illinois, 1996, 2 pages (plus additional handwritten version of entry), re: nomination of Beulah Kennedy, by Merlin R. Kennedy.
- 1.5.13 Newspaper Clipping (plus two partial photocopies), "Award winner has fought the good fight against racism", the Pantagraph, 7 January 1996, page A2, re: Interview with Beulah Kennedy, winner of 1996 Bloomington Human Relations Award.

- 1.5.14 Newspaper Clipping (photocopy), "Petri Jr., Glover, Anderson, Kennedy, Rettke to enter bowling Hall of Fame", The Pantagraph, 8 October 1996, page B5, re: Kennedy inducted in the "service/promotions category".
- 1.5.15 Document (printed), 2002 Registration Identification Card" for 1997 Mitsubishi 4 door, 2 March 2001, 1 page, re: vehicle owned by Beulah Kennedy.
- 1.5.16 Document (printed program), Funeral Program for Beulah Mae Eugenia Jones Thornton-Kennedy, 9 February 2002, 4 pages, re: Service at Wayman A. M. E. Church, Bloomington, Illinois.
- 1.5.17 Document (bound hand-drawn art), "To Mrs. Kennedy's Family", from "Second Graders" of Stevenson School, Bloomington, Illinois, 19 March 2002. 28 pages (plus cover, and envelope), re: "She was our friend and helper. We miss her. We are sorry."
- 1.5.18 Letter (typewritten), from Deborah A. Korbas, Legal Assistant, Victor and Victor, Ltd., Attorneys at Law, Chicago, Illinois, to The Family of Beulah N. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 21 May 2002, 1 page (with envelope), re: Outstanding balance with Citibank; written notation: "called ... 5-23-02".
- 1.5.19 Letter (typewritten; blue paper), from H & R Accounts, Inc., Moline, Illinois, to Estate of Beulah M. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 28 May 2002, 1 page (with envelope), re: balance due at Bromenn Healthcare - Medicare.
- 1.5.20 Publication (printed newspaper), "YWCA News", YWCA of McLean County, Bloomington, Illinois, Summer 2002, 16 pages.
- 1.5.21 Document (typewritten), "Beulah M. Kennedy, a native of Bloomington, was very active in the Middle Sixties.", undated, 2 pages, re: short biography by Merlin Kennedy.
- 1.5.22 Photograph (photographic paper), "Kennedy-Rue McCullough", undated, 1 page, re: 4 photographs, by Colleen Cler Agency, Burbank, California.
- 1.5.23 Greeting Card, "For you, Mother", from Louis, undated.
- 1.5.24 Greeting Card, "For a Wonderful Grandmother", from Lil' Sammy, undated.
- 1.5.25 Greeting Card, "Birthday", from Lloyd, undated.
- 1.5.26 Greeting Card, "Just for you, Mother", from Jimmy, undated.
- 1.5.27 Greeting Card, "Birthday", from Liz, undated.
- 1.5.28 Greeting Card, "Birthday", from "Mom No. 2, Mrs. E. & Grand children", undated.
- 1.5.29 Greeting Card, "Birthday", from Helen, undated.
- 1.5.30 Greeting Card, "Birthday", from Diane & [Charles?], undated.
- 1.5.31 Greeting Card, "Birthday", from Clarione, undated.
- 1.5.32 Booklet (printed), "Mother's Day Booklet, from Wayman African Methodist Episcopal Church, Bloomington, Illinois, 13 May 1990, 20 pages.

**Folder 6: Community Care**

- 1.6.1 Document (printed form; typewritten entries), "Illinois Department On Aging - Community Care Program – Client Agreement", 9 June 2015, 1 page.
- 1.6.2 Document (printed form; typewritten entries), "Community Care Program – Plan of Care Notification Form", 10 June 2015, 1 page, re: Client Name: Merlin Kennedy.
- 1.6.3 Document (typewritten; pink paper; bi-fold), "Things you need to know about the Community Care Program", from the Illinois Department On Aging, undated, 4 pages, re: Notice of Privacy Practices; contact information.

- 1.6.4 Document (typewritten; yellow paper; bi-fold), “Things you need to know about the Community Care Program“, from the Illinois Department On Aging, undated, 4 pages (plus 1 page “Notice of Appeal to Department On Aging” form, re: Your Right to Appeal; contact information.
- 1.6.5 Document (typewritten; gray paper; bi-fold), “Things you need to know about the Community Care Program“, from the Illinois Department On Aging, undated, 4 pages, Your Rights and Responsibilities; contact information.
- 1.6.6 Document (typewritten), “Notice of Medicaid Estate Recovery“, from the Illinois Department On Aging, Charles D. Johnson Director, undated, 1 page.
- 1.6.7 Document (typewritten), “Dear Community Care Program Participant”, from the Illinois Department On Aging, John K. Holton, Ph. D., Director, undated, 1 page.
- 1.6.8 Document (typewritten), “Using Department on Aging (DoA) Community Care Program (CCP) Service to Meet Spenddown”, from State of Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services, undated, 1 page.

**Folder 7: Personal Letters and Greeting Cards**

- 1.7.1 Letter (typewritten), from William G. Kennedy (Brother “Bill”), Phoenix, Arizona, to Merlin & Beulah, 2 December 1977, 1 page (with envelope), re: “I’m still fighting to get my job back at Honeywell...”.
- 1.7.2 Letter (handwritten), from William G. Kennedy (Bro “Bill”), Phoenix, Arizona, to Merlin Family, Bloomington, Illinois, 4 November 1979, 1 page (plus 5 photographs and envelope), re: “Working at Phoenix Airesearch [?]; Photos from LA ball game: ”... I don’t know if your Grand child was out there or not.”.
- 1.7.3 Program (printed), Bloomington High School 64th Homecoming Dance, “Remember the Feeling”, 12 October 1985, 8 pages.
- 1.7.4 Greeting Card (with envelope), “Congratulations”, from Roy and Mary Nickrent, Saybrook, Illinois, 16 January 1989, re: “I heard you have retired.”.
- 1.7.5 Greeting Card (with envelope), “Just For You”, from Diane, Kara and Nick Huskins, Hudson, Illinois, 21 December 1990, re: “Merry Christmas”.
- 1.7.6 Letter (typewritten; “McLean County, William T. Anderson, Coroner” letterhead), from Dicksy Smith, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 8 October 1991, 1 page (with envelope), re: “... I appreciated your assistance last weekend with Gene III.”.
- 1.7.7 Greeting Card (with envelope), “Happy Father’s Day”, from Therese, Bill and Dongell Kennedy, Los Angeles, California, 18 June 2002.
- 1.7.8 Letter (handwritten), from Marilyn Hubbard, Inglewood, California, to Daddy [Merlin R. Kennedy], Bloomington, Illinois, 15 April 2002, 2 pages (with envelope).
- 1.7.9 Greeting Card (with envelope), “Merry Christmas”, from Virginia, Elaine and Valerie Zelek, Dearborn, Michigan, 4 December 2004.
- 1.7.10 Greeting Card (with envelope), “Birthday”, from Elaine and Val Black, Howell, Michigan, 29 October 2008.
- 1.7.11 Greeting Card (with envelope), “Merry Christmas”, from Ron and Kay Sutton, Bloomington, Illinois, 10 December 2009.
- 1.7.12 Greeting Card (with envelope), “Happy Birthday”, from Maria Kennedy, Riverside, California, 8 November 2013.

- 1.7.13 Greeting Card, "Sympathy", from Bennie Whitelaw, Bloomington, Illinois, undated.
- 1.7.14 Greeting Card, "Thinking of You", from Bro Menn Hospice Team, undated.
- 1.7.15 Greeting Card, "Father's Day", from Diane and Charles, undated.
- 1.7.16 Greeting Card, "Birthday", from Elaine, undated.
- 1.7.17 Greeting Card, "With Sympathy", from Twin City Bowlers, undated.
- 1.7.18 Greeting Card, "Happy Birthday", from Bill, undated.
- 1.7.19 Greeting Card, "Christmas and New Year", from Irene Gottchalk, undated.
- 1.7.20 Greeting Card (with envelope), "Valentine", from Beulah, undated.
- 1.7.21 Greeting Card (with envelope), "Easter", from Ether Esters, undated.
- 1.7.22 Letter (handwritten), from Derrick, to Grandma and Granny, undated, 3 pages (plus 2" x 3" photograph).

**Folder 8: The Eureka Company**

- 1.8.1 Document (handwritten), "Mr. Paul Meyers, Factory Personnel refuse to rehire me...", undated, 1 page, re: Complaint from Deborah Hursey about rehiring "Caucasian" Mrs. Debbie Claycomb.
- 1.8.2 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "To Whom this Concerns...", 11 September 1975, a page, re: Notarized Statement about what Mrs. Claycomb said.
- 1.8.3 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "To Whom this Concerns...", 11 September 1975, a page, re: Notarized Statement about what Mrs. Claycomb said on 4 September 1975.
- 1.8.4 Document (printed form; handwritten entries), "Position Description", 1 August 1977, 4 pages, re: Completed by Merlin R. Kennedy, Specification Coordinator.
- 1.8.5 Document (printed form; typewritten entries), "Position Description", 10 January 1978, 4 pages, re: Completed by Merlin R. Kennedy, Specification Coordinator.
- 1.8.6 Memo (handwritten: photocopy), from Paul Meyer, to Bill Shepherd, 16 January 1978, 1 page, re: "Merlin has rewritten his job description"; "I'd appreciate it if you'd give me your thoughts on this."
- 1.8.7 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Bill Shepherd, to Paul Meyer, 18 January 1978, 5 pages, re: enclosing copy of job description.
- 1.8.8 Document (printed form with typewritten entries; photocopy), "Charge of Discrimination", 28 February 1978, 1 page, re: notarized complaint to be filed with Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's Regional Office.
- 1.8.9 Document (printed form; handwritten entries), "Job Opportunity Program Request for Consideration", 1 March 1978, 1 page, re: Request to be considered for position of Foreman.
- 1.8.10 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, to C. Paul Meyer, Personnel Manager, The Eureka Co., Bloomington, Illinois, 16 May 1978, 1 page, re: "...I don't see how the job posting program will ever help the minority employees."
- 1.8.11 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from W. F. Shepherd, General Service Manager, to "To All Division and Department Heads", 13 September 1978, 1 page, re: Merlin Kennedy now Foreman in the Service Division.
- 1.8.12 Letter (typewritten), from David P. Brown, Personnel Manager, to "All Salaried Employees", 20 February 1979, 4 pages (with envelope), re: announcing 5% salary increase, plus other benefit increases in insurance programs and Pension Plan.

- 1.8.13 Document (printed form; handwritten entries), "National Union Electric Corporation, Annual Exempt Performance Review", 5 April 1979, 3 pages, re: Job evaluation as "Foreman" by W. F. Shepherd, Gen. Service Mgr.
- 1.8.14 Letter (typewritten), from David P. Brown, Personnel Manager, The Eureka Company, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 1 August 1979, 1 page (with envelope), re: congratulations on 20 years of service.
- 1.8.15 Document (computer print-out), "The Eureka Company Seniority List for Service Assem", 31 January 1980, 3 pages, re: list of employees.
- 1.8.16 Document (printed form; handwritten entries), "National Union Electric Corporation, Annual Exempt Performance Review", 1 April 1982, 3 pages, re: Job evaluation as "Foreman", unsigned.
- 1.8.17 Document (computer print-out), "The Eureka Company Departmental Vacation Eligibility List", 7 January 1983, 1 page.
- 1.8.18 Document (computer print-out), "The Eureka Company Seniority List For Service", 30 September 1986, 4 pages.
- 1.8.19 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from William D. Bell, to Merlin Kennedy, 9 March 1987, 1 page, re: Annual Performance Evaluation.
- 1.8.20 Letter (typewritten), from Robert P. Dole, President, The Eureka Company, Bloomington, Illinois, to Eureka Employee, 24 March 1988, 1 page (with 24 page Booklet), re: U.S. holding company for AB Electrolux changed from Dometic, Inc. to White Consolidated Industries, Inc.; enclosing copy of "Business Conduct Policy" which National Union Electric Corporation has adopted and so you need to sign enclosed certification signifying compliance.
- 1.8.21 Document (printed form; typewritten entries), "The Eureka Company Performance Appraisal", 4 April 1988, 3 pages, re: Job evaluation as "Foreman"; Supervisor William D. Bell.
- 1.8.22 Document (computer print-out), "The Eureka Company Seniority List For Service", 24 May 1988, 4 pages.
- 1.8.23 Memo (handwritten), from Merlin R. Kennedy, Softball Field Manager, to Eureka Credit Union Board, 13 December 1988, 1 page, re: Request for funding.
- 1.8.24 Document (printed form; handwritten entries), "I.A.M. National Pension Fund, Pension Application", 31 December 1988, 2 pages, re: Pension Application for Merlin Robert Kennedy.
- 1.8.25 Document (printed newsletter), "Eureka Bulletin Board", 20 January 1989, Volume 10, Issue 3, 2 pages, re: "Merlin Kennedy Retires".
- 1.8.26 Document (printed newsletter), "Eureka Vac Fax", June 1990, Volume II, Number 7, 4 pages (plus envelope).
- 1.8.27 Document (printed newsletter), "Eureka Bulletin Board", 9 November 1990, Volume II, Issue 28, 2 pages.
- 1.8.28 Document (printed newsletter), "Eureka Bulletin Board", 16 November 1990, Volume II, Issue 29, 2 pages.
- 1.8.29 Document (printed newsletter), "The Epic, Eureka Partners in Communication", April 1999, Volume 20, Issue 2, 24 pages.
- 1.8.30 Booklet (printed), "Collective Bargaining Agreement", between The Eureka Company,

- Division of National Union Electric Corporation, Bloomington, Illinois, and Lodge No 1000 International Association of Machinist and Aerospace Workers (AFL-CIO), Bloomington, Illinois, 1 February 1988 – 31 January 1991, 98 pages (plus cover).
- 1.8.31 Document (printed sign; 4" x 7"), "Free Coffee All Day", undated, re: celebrating Merlin's 2nd year as foreman.
  - 1.8.32 Letter (typewritten; handwritten address), from Todd Greenberg, Treasurer, Crimestoppers of McLean County, Bloomington, Illinois, to the Employees and Management of The Eureka Company, Bloomington, Illinois, undated, 1 page, re: thank you for contribution of \$75.25 to special fund for information leading to arrest and indictment of the killers of Whitney Cole, Scott Burton, and Robert Webb [1988 murders at S & S Liquor, Bloomington, Illinois].
  - 1.8.33 Booklet (printed), "A Group Insurance Plan for Hourly Employees of Eureka Williams Company, Bloomington, Illinois", undated, 8 pages (plus cover), undated, re: plan underwritten by Aetna Insurance Company, Hartford, Connecticut.
  - 1.8.34 Document (printed newsletter), "Supervisor's Action Bulletin", undated, Issue No. 407, 2 pages, re: "Ideas, Tips, Information, Reminders On Supervision".
  - 1.8.35 Business Card (printed), "The Eureka Company, Bloomington, Illinois, Merlin R. Kennedy, Foreman-National Service Division".
  - 1.8.36 Document (printed; photocopy), "Layout and Design" want ad for Eureka Williams Co., undated.
  - 1.8.37 Document (typewritten), "Salary Grades", undated, 1 page, re: dollars ranges for Grade's 2 – 11.
  - 1.8.38 Document (printed "flyer"), "Eureka Employee Summer Sale", from Robbin B. James, Assistant to the Senior Vice President, Sales & Marketing, July 1- August 16, 4 pages (plus order form, and envelope).
  - 1.8.39 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "This Section To Be Completed By Department Head", undated, 1 page, re: Form for evaluating job promotion candidates.
  - 1.8.40 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Job Application Procedure", undated, 1 page, re: Instructions to Employees for completing "Request for Consideration".
  - 1.8.41 Document (printed; 6" x 8.5"), "From the Desk of Merlin R. Kennedy – Eureka", undated, 1 page, re: Personalized company stationery; unused.

**Folder 9: Notary Public**

- 1.9.1 Booklet (printed; blue paper), "State of Illinois Notary Public Laws", Issued by The Office of Secretary of State, August 1972, 8 pages,
- 1.9.2 Document (printed), "State of Illinois Notary Public Commission" from Alan J. Dixon, Secretary of State, for Merlin R. Kennedy, 7 December 1978, 1 page.
- 1.9.3 Document (photocopy; printed), "American Society of Notaries" certifying that Merlin R. Kennedy is an Active Member, 12 December 1978, 1 page.
- 1.9.4 Document (photocopy; printed), "Invoice" and Receipt, R.W. Gipson Agency, Inc., Bloomington, 29 October 1982, 1 page, re: \$30 for \$1000 "Notary Public Bond".
- 1.9.5 Letter (typewritten; "Jeanette Barrett County Clerk, McLean County" letterhead), from Jeanette Barrett, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 13 November 1982, 1 page, re: need to appear at County Clerk's office and have your Notary Public Commission recorded.

- 1.9.6 Document (printed; handwritten entries), Receipt for \$1.00, from Merlin R. Kennedy, for “Notary Fees” from McLean County Clerk’s Office, 16 November 1982, 1 page.
- 1.9.7 Document (photocopy; printed), “Bond of Notary Public State of Illinois”, from Aetna Casualty & Surety Company of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois, Bond NO. 16 S 20194, 4 December 1982, 1 page.
- 1.9.8 Booklet (printed), “Illinois Notary Public Handbook”, Jim Edgar, Secretary of State, May 1986, 28 pages (plus cover).
- 1.9.9 Document (photocopy; printed), “State of Illinois Office of the Secretary of State” Commission, from Jim Edgar, Secretary of State, for Merlin R. Kennedy, 7 December 1990, 1 page.
- 1.9.10 Document (printed), “New Membership Benefit” advertising flyer for members of American Society of Notaries, Washington, D.C., 17 December 1990, 1 page (plus envelope).
- 1.9.11 Document (photocopy; printed), Notary Public Certification for Merlin R. Kennedy, for McLean County, Illinois, undated, 1 page.
- 1.9.12 Document (printed; 4” x 5”), “Notarial Record” for providing Description of Instrument notarized, undated, 1 page.
- 1.9.13 Document (printed; 4” x 5”), “Notarial Receipt” for providing proof of amount paid, undated, 1 page.
- 1.9.14 Booklet (printed; spiral-bound), Personalized: “Merlin R. Kennedy”, for recording Notarized Instruments, undated, re: unused.
- 1.9.15 Document (printed: on cardboard backing; 5” x 6”), “Notary Public Fees” with attached Yellow paper listing amounts to charge for specific documents, undated, 1 page.

**Folder 10: Voting/Elections**

- 1.10.1 Document (printed; 3’ x 5” card), “Ivan Light, Attorney of Shirley, Dale Township, Candidate for Justice of Peace”, 4 April 1961, re: Campaign Advertisement.
- 1.10.2 Newspaper Clipping, “Council Lures Kennedy”, The Pantagraph, 7 January 1967, re: Merlin Kennedy files petition to run for Bloomington City Council.
- 1.10.3 Newspaper Clipping, “City Ballot Could Lose Names Of Nordine, Hartenstein, Heldt”, The Pantagraph, 13 January 1967, re: Carroll B. Cox, Jr. and John R. Porter, Jr. filed petition objecting that candidates did not have required number of signatures.
- 1.10.4 Newspaper Clipping, “By The Pantagraph: Election Botch Puts New Load on Voter”, The Pantagraph, 15 January 1967, re: Bloomington Election Commission failed to notify candidates of change in state law.
- 1.10.5 Newspaper Clipping, “Candidate Petition Hearing Arranged”, The Pantagraph, 17 January 1967, re: Petition to be considered.
- 1.10.6 Newspaper Clipping, “3 Off Ballot – Group To Fight Primary”, The Pantagraph, by Dick Streckfuss, 20 January 1967, re: Bloomington Election Commission ruled three candidates could not appear on the ballot.
- 1.10.7 Newspaper Clipping, “Election Study Required”, unknown source [The Pantagraph?], 22 January 1967, re: Complaint concerning ballot position sustained by Bloomington Election Commission.



- 1.10.8 Newspaper Clipping, "Two Vow Court Fight To Kill City Primary", unknown source [The Pantagraph?], 24 January 1967, re: Litigation threatened if Bloomington Election Commission goes ahead with Primary plans
- 1.10.9 Newspaper Clipping, "Primary Election Notice", unknown source [The Pantagraph?], 25 January 1967, re: Primary Election will be held 14 February 1967.
- 1.10.10 Newspaper Clipping, "Suit Asks Cancellation of City Primary", The Pantagraph, 31 January 1967, re: Suit filed in Circuit Court as there are only two candidates.
- 1.10.11 Newspaper Clipping, "Write In For Better Government", unknown source [The Pantagraph?], 6 February 1967, re: Advertisement for Frank Hartenstein and Lawrence Nordine.
- 1.10.12 Newspaper Clipping, "Election Body Fights Canceling of Primary", The Pantagraph, 6 February 1967, re: Motion to dismiss filed by Bloomington Election Commission
- 1.10.13 Newspaper Clipping, "City To Have Primary", The Pantagraph, 9 February 1967, re: Suit dismissed as Court says it cannot question discretion of Commission.
- 1.10.14 Newspaper Clipping, "By The Pantagraph: Write-in Vote Critical In Tuesday's Primary", The Pantagraph, 10 February 1967, re: Merlin Kennedy
- 1.10.15 Document (typewritten), "On Qualifications for Poll Watchers in Bloomington Municipal Primaries", 10 February 1967, 2 pages.
- 1.10.16 Newspaper Clipping, "Die Cast in Bloomington Primary Vote", The Pantagraph, 10 February 1967, re: Biographies of all candidates.
- 1.10.17 Newspaper Clipping, "Hartenstein, Nordine Ads Charged Illegal", The Pantagraph, by Dick Streckfuss, 12 February 1967, re: Complaint that advertisement violates election code
- 1.10.18 Newspaper Clipping, "Rejects Ad Complaints", unknown source [The Pantagraph?], 16 February 1967, re: "No basis for action" per State's Atty. Hugh A. Henry, Jr.
- 1.10.19 Newspaper Clipping, "Primary Results", The Pantagraph, 16 February 1967.
- 1.10.20 Newspaper Clipping, "City Canvas Yields Only Minor Changes", The Pantagraph, 17 February 1967, re: total of 5504 persons voted for City Council nominees.
- 1.10.21 Newspaper Clipping, "By the Public: Cites Faults of Council", The Pantagraph, 3 March 1967, re: Letter to the Editor by Jack Porter supporting Merlin Kennedy.
- 1.10.22 Letter (typewritten), from Ralph and Ellen Smith, Normal, Illinois, to Friends, 6 March 1967, 1 page, re: Endorsing Merlin Kennedy for City Council; send campaign contributions to Jack Porter.
- 1.10.23 Newspaper Clipping, "By The Pantagraph: Hartenstein, Nordine Our City Council Choices", The Pantagraph, 26 March 1967, re: Pantagraph endorsement of incumbents Hartenstein and Nordine.
- 1.10.24 Document (typewritten), "First I would like to thank the League of Women Voters....", 26 March 1967, 1 page (plus handwritten draft on yellow paper), re: Asking for support in coming election, with quotes from The Pantagraph ("interesting Council Member").
- 1.10.25 Document (printed; yellow paper), "Specimen Ballot", 4 April 1967, 1 page, re: Nominees for Councilmen of the City of Bloomington at the General Municipal Election; Merlin Kennedy one of four candidates for two seats.
- 1.10.26 Letter (typewritten), from Ralph and Ellen Smith, to Friends, 29 April 1967, 1 page, re: Thank you for contribution to Merlin Kennedy campaign fund: list of \$97.00 in campaign expenses.

- 1.10.27 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Notice", 8 February 1968, 2 page, re: Notice of March 4 of the Biennial General Municipal Election for Town of Normal.
- 1.10.28 Documents (typewritten and handwritten), Observations on 4 March 1968 Election:
- a. Document (typewritten), "Notes taken during poll watch...", by Donald L. Thompson, 2 pages, re: Polling Place No. 8 – Victory Hall).
  - b. Document (typewritten), "Poll Watchers Reports Normal Town Elections", 2 pages, re: Polling Places 1, 2, 3 & 5.
  - c. Document (handwritten; yellow lined paper), "Precinct 7 – Oakdale School", 2 pages, re: "Notes on Procedure".
  - d. Document (handwritten), "Polling Place No. 4 (Precincts 11 & 16)", 4 pages.
  - e. Document (handwritten), "Report on election (1968) procedures at Glenn School", by Pauline Travener, 2 pages.
  - f. Document (handwritten), "Report on irregularities on vote counting", by Paul J. Baker, 1 page.
  - g. Document (handwritten: 3" x 4" notes), "Judges must wear badges....", 3 pages.
  - h. Document (typewritten), "The following is a report of election irregularities....", by George Warren, 1 page.
- 1.10.29 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "League of Women Voters McLean County" letterhead), from Mrs. James Pruyne, President, to Mr. Kennedy, 15 January 1969, 1 page, re: Invitation to Candidate's Meeting on February 2 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Bloomington, Illinois.
- 1.10.30 Document (printed; tri-fold), "Merlin R. Kennedy for Alderman of Ward 6", 14 April 1981, 1 page, re: Biographical information.
- 1.10.31 Document (typewritten; copy), Carroll B. Cox, Jr. and John R. Porter, Jr., individuals, Objectors, to Certain Nominating Petitions", undated, 3 pages, re: Petition filed with Bloomington Election Commission.
- 1.10.32 Newspaper Clipping, "By the Public: Seeks Better Government", unknown source [The Pantagraph?], undated, re: This newspaper has repeatedly described me as a 'civil rights' candidate for city council. I prefer to think of myself as a constitutional practitioner."
- 1.10.33 Document (photocopy), Political Cartoon, undated, 1 page, re: Bloomington City Hall.
- 1.10.34 Newspaper Clipping, "By the Public: Value Kennedy Friendship", unknown source [The Pantagraph?], undated, re: Letter to the Editor by Mrs. Michael Zelek, supporting Merlin Kennedy.
- 1.10.35 Document (typewritten; "mimeograph"), "Information on Nominating Petitions for the 1967 Bloomington City Council Election", undated, 1 page, re: information about Bloomington election process.
- 1.10.36 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "Go To The Election Tuesday Vote for Merlin Robert Kennedy", undated, 1 page, re: Election Flyer.
- 1.10.37 Document (printed), "Fact Sheet Merlin R. Kennedy", undated, 1 page.
- 1.10.38 Document (handwritten; photocopy; 5" x 8"), "Bring Government that will listen to all People", undated, 1 page, re: "Vote for Merlin R. Kennedy".
- 1.10.39 Letter (typewritten), To: Editor, The Pantagraph, undated, 2 pages, re: "Bloomington city council is nice; " 'Government of the money, by the money, and for the money'; "...there are other candidates for council seats. One has spoken out. He is Merlin Kennedy....".

- 1.10.40 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Ward System", undated, 1 page, re: Merlin Kennedy positions on current issues.
- 1.10.41 Pamphlet (printed; bi-fold), "A Suggested Sermon on Citizenship and Voting", by Reverend Edward J. Odum, Jr., undated, 1 page, re: "'The Perils of Presumption and The Power of Political Action'".
- 1.10.42 Document (9" x 12" envelope), "Property of Board of Elections Commissioners Must be Returned by \_\_\_\_\_", with the following documents inside:
  - a. Note (4" x 6"; yellow paper), "For Your Information" from Board of Election Commissions, City of Bloomington, Illinois.
  - b. Card (4" x 6"), Printed Blank Form, for cancelling registration.
  - c. Card (4" x 6"; blue), Printed Blank Form, for changing address.
  - d. Registration Form (yellow, green, and tan; triplicate), Registration Blank Form, re: Chapter 46, Section 4-8, 5-7 & 6-35 Illinois Revised Statutes.
  - e. Form, "Audit of Registration and Supplies".
  - f. Booklet (8.5" x 11"), "Instructions on Voter Registration in McLean County and Bloomington", issued by County Clerk and Board of Election Commissioners, 12 pages {plus cover}.
- 1.10.43 Document (typewritten; photocopy), Questions and Answers, undated, 2 pages, re: Issues being addressed by City Council.
- 1.10.44 Placard (cardboard; 5" x 12"), "Merlin Kennedy, Candidate for Councilman", undated.

**Folder 11: Real Estate Classes**

- 1.11.1 Document (handwritten; lined tablet; 6' x 8.5"), Classroom notes, 30 September 1977, 25 pages.
- 1.11.2 Document (printed form; typewritten entries), "Bloomington- Normal Continuing Adult Education", 1 December 1977, 1 page, re: certification that Merlin R. Kennedy has satisfactorily completed Real Estate Transaction Course No. 100.
- 1.11.3 Document (Printed), "Instruction Sheet for Real Estate Salesman Application", from the State of Illinois Department of Registration and Education, undated, 3 pages, re: Application for Registration as a Registered Real Estate Salesman.
- 1.11.4 Documents (typewritten; orange, blue and white paper), Review Questions, undated, 6 pages, re: #4, 5 and 6 for Real Estate Course.
- 1.11.5 Documents (typewritten; white and blue paper), Exam Questions, Real Estate Course, two undated; two dated 3 November 1977, 12 pages (4 sets of questions), re: practice exams.
- 1.11.6 Documents (typewritten), "Modern Real Estate" Tests, undated, 13 pages, re: Tests 1-6.
- 1.11.7 Documents (printed form; handwritten entries), "Settlement Statement Worksheet", undated, 8 pages, re: Practice Worksheets.
- 1.11.8 Document (typewritten; handwritten entries), "Analysis of Home Ownership Costs", Edward J. Ingold Realtor, undated, 1 page, re: Practice Worksheet.
- 1.11.9 Document (typewritten), "Questions on the Closing Statement Problem", undated, 1 page, re: Multiple Choice Questions.
- 1.11.10 Document (typewritten), "Test Questions", undated, 2 pages.
- 1.11.11 Document (printed; handwritten entries), "Contract for Sale of Real Estate", McLean County Bar Association, 24 July 1975, 1 page, re: Practice Entries.

- 1.11.12 Document (typewritten; yellow paper), "Examination Questions", undated, 12 pages.
- 1.11.13 Documents (typewritten), "Examination Questions", undated, 46 total pages (6 exams), re: Exams No. II, III, 5, IIIV [sic VIII?], X and X ("review for test").

## **Folder 12: Newspapers and Magazines**

- 1.12.1 Magazine, "Black World", June 1973, Vol. XXII, No. 8, Published by Johnson Publishing Company, Inc., Chicago Illinois.
- 1.12.2 Newspaper, The Voice of the Black Community, Springfield, Illinois, Published by Horace G. Livingston, Jr., Decatur Illinois, 15 April 1976, Volume 1, No. 98.
- 1.12.3 Newspaper, The Voice of the Black Community, Bloomington-Normal, Illinois, [Published by Horace G. Livingston, Jr., Decatur Illinois] 22 April 1976, Volume 1, No. 99.
- 1.12.4 Magazine, "A Proud Heritage, Salute to Black Contributors to Science and Energy Technology", 1979-1980, Published by The Inman Publishing Company, Springfield, Illinois.
- 1.12.5 Magazine, "Black America, Heraldng A Heritage", Published by R. Hammer, Golden Valley, Minnesota, 1981.
- 1.12.6 Newspaper (printed), "District News of The Christian Spokesman", Vol. III, No. 5, Decatur, Illinois, February 1984, 24 pages, re: "Black History Edition".
- 1.12.7 Newspaper, The Voice of the Black Community, Bloomington, Illinois, [Published by Horace G. Livingston, Jr., Decatur Illinois, presumably] 23 October 1985, Volume XX, No. 8.
- 1.12.8 Newspaper, The Voice of the Black Community, Bloomington, Illinois, [Published by Horace G. Livingston, Jr., Decatur Illinois, presumably] 23 September 1987, Volume XVI, No.18.
- 1.12.9 Newspaper, The Voice of the Black Community, Bloomington, Illinois, [Published by Horace G. Livingston, Jr., Decatur Illinois, presumably) 23 December 1987, Volume XVI, No. 38.
- 1.12.10 Newsletter, City Notes, City of Bloomington, Bloomington, Illinois, produced by Impact Communications, Fall 1988, Vol.2, No. 2.
- 1.12.11 Newspaper, The Voice of the Black Community, Bloomington, Illinois, [Published by Horace G. Livingston, Jr., Decatur Illinois, presumably] 12 April 1989, Volume XVI, No. 24.
- 1.12.12 Newspaper Section, Chicago Tribune, Chicago, Illinois, 18 November 1990, Business Section 7, 8 pages, re: Article entitled, "Role of class in America remains awkward, unresolved issue", by David March, Boston Globe.
- 1.12.13 Magazine, "The National Law Journal", Published by The New York Law Publishing Co., 4 November 1991, Vol. 14, No. 9, re: Article entitled, "Vote Storms Ahead, Apportionment lawsuits this year show the way for bigger wrangles next year", by Gary Taylor.
- 1.12.14 Program, (typewritten), "Society of Forgotten Actors presents: Inside Looking Out", written by James Calvin Jones, Billy Steele & Abdul David Nazeen Bailey, 16, 17 February 1992, 2 pages.
- 1.12.15 Newspaper, African-American Voice, Bloomington-Normal, Illinois, Published by Horace G. Livingston, Jr., Decatur Illinois, 9 March 1994, Volume XXVI, No. 5.

- 1.12.16 Program (printed), "125th Annual Session, King David United Supreme Council A.F. & A.M., Imperial Grand Council A.A.O.N.M.S. and The Supreme Grand Chapter Order of the Easter Star John G. Jones", Holiday Inn, Peoria, Illinois, 20-27 August 1994, 56 pages (plus cover).
- 1.12.17 Magazine, 'Jet', 10 June 2002, Vol. 101, No. 25, Published by Johnson Publishing Company, Inc., Chicago Illinois.
- 1.12.18 Magazine, 'Jet', 24 June 2002, Vol. 102, No. 1, Published by Johnson Publishing Company, Inc., Chicago Illinois.
- 1.12.19 Magazine Cover, (printed), Unknown publication, Advertisement for "HBO Films Presents Kerry Washington is Anita Hill: Confirmation", undated, back cover only.

### **Folder 13: Funeral Programs**

- 1.13.1 Document (typewritten; bi-fold; 4" X 5"), "Funeral Service of Charles W. Turner", Trinity C. M. E. Church, 28 December 1960, re: Eulogy by Rev. P. C. Campbell.
- 1.13.2 Document (printed; bi-fold), Funeral Program, "Sister Effie Spears", 19 March 1979, 4 pages.
- 1.13.3 Document (printed; bi-fold; blue paper), Funeral Program ("Obsequies"), "George H. Jamison", 15 August 1985, 4 pages.
- 1.13.4 Document (typewritten; bi-fold; 4" X 5"), Funeral Program, Richard D. Provence, McReynolds-Herrmann Funeral Home, Stanford, Illinois Trinity, 2 March 1986, re: Officiating Reverend James Gilroy.
- 1.13.5 Document (printed; bi-fold), Funeral Program ("Obsequies"), "George E. Branton", 5 May 1976, 4 pages.
- 1.13.6 Document (printed; bi-fold), Funeral Program, "Herbert Joyce", 9 May 1986, 4 pages.
- 1.13.7 Document (printed; bi-fold; brown paper), Funeral Program ("Obsequies"), "Sister Susie Mimms Stiger", 24 June 1986, 4 pages.
- 1.13.8 Document (printed; bi-fold), Funeral Program, "Louise E. Waddell", 3 February 1990, 4 pages.
- 1.13.9 Document (printed; bi-fold), Funeral Program ("Homegoing Celebration"), "William Gene Kennedy", 4 December 1993, 4 pages.
- 1.13.10 Document (printed; bi-fold), Funeral Program ("Homegoing Celebration"), "Laura Bynum", 25 February 1994, 4 pages.
- 1.13.11 Document (printed; bi-fold), Funeral Program, "Joseph Dewey Berry", 23 September 2000, 4 pages.
- 1.13.12 Document (printed; bi-fold), Funeral Program, "William 'Bill' Ludwig, Jr.", 17 May 2002, 4 pages.
- 1.13.13 Documents for Walter Louis Jones, Sr.:
  - a. Newspaper Clipping, Obituary, 21 May 2002.
  - b. Condolence Card, from Ralph and Ellen, 30 May 2002.
  - c. Funeral Program (printed; bi-fold), 21 May 2002, 4 pages.
  - d. Obituary (handwritten; photocopy), undated, 1 page.
- 1.13.14 Document (printed), "Reflections of A Life", "Nettie Marie Bowden Kennedy", 11 July 2002, 1 page.

- 1.13.15 Document (printed; bi-fold), Funeral Program, "Ralph D. Doage", 14 February 2006, 4 pages.
- 1.13.16 Document (printed), "Mass of Resurrection Virginia Zelek", 27 August 2011, 4 pages (plus "In Loving Memory" card), Howell, Michigan.
- 1.13.17 Business Card, Mark A. Ifft, Authorized Dealer, Bloomington Memorials, A Subsidiary of Pontiac Granite Co., Pontiac, Illinois.
- 1.13.18 Newspaper Clippings, "Bennie Whitelaw", undated, 2 clippings (in envelope with handwritten note, "Mrs. Christine King [?] expired Sept. 26, 1972"), re: Obituary and Funeral Notice.

**Folder 14: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

- 1.14.1 Document (printed program), "Memorial Service of the Late Dr. Martin Luther King", St. John's Lutheran Church, [Bloomington, Illinois], 4 April 1971, 2 pages, re: Speaker "Att. Robert Tucker of Chicago Illinois", introduced by Merlin Kennedy, NAACP President.
- 1.14.2 Document (printed program), "Third Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Awards Brunch", Illinois State University Union Ballroom, [Normal, Illinois], 21 January 1979, 12 pages, re: Program autographed by Event Speaker Julian Bond.
- 1.14.3 Document (printed program), "Fourteenth Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Awards Program", Jumer's Chateau, Bloomington, Illinois, 20 January 1990, 24 pages.
- 1.14.4 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), from Les Sudduth, Chairman, Bloomington Human Relations Commission, and Harry Hightower, Chairman, Normal Humans Relations Commission, to Friends, 2 November 1990, 1 page, re: "January 19 [1991] will mark the 15th consecutive celebration of the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by the City of Bloomington and the Town of Normal."
- 1.14.5 Document (printed program), "Twentieth Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Awards Program", Illinois State University, Bone Student Center Ballroom, Normal, Illinois, 13 January 1996, 36 pages, re: Guest Speaker Julian Bond.
- 1.14.6 Document (typewritten), "Supna Chaudhari Normal Human Relations Commission 'I Have A Dream' Award Recipient", [1996], 1 page, re: Biographical information.
- 1.14.7 Document (typewritten), "Kuo-Chicng Lian", 1996, 3 pages, re: Biographical information
- 1.14.8 Document (typewritten), "James A. Knecht Normal Human Relations Commission Award Recipient", [1996], 1 page, re: Biographical information.
- 1.14.9 Document (printed program), "Bloomington and Normal Human Relations Commissions Twenty Fifth Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Awards Luncheon", Illinois State University, Bone Student Center Ballroom, Normal, Illinois, 13 January 2001, 52 pages.
- 1.14.10 Document (printed program; in Mylar sleeve), "The Bloomington and Normal Human Relations Commission 28th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Awards Luncheon", Interstate Conference Center, Bloomington, Illinois, 10 January 2004, 46 pages.
- 1.14.11 Document (printed program), "34th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Awards Luncheon", Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, Normal, Illinois, 16 January 2010, 40 pages.
- 1.14.12 Letter (typewritten; "Bloomington and Normal Human Relations Committee" letterhead), from Ernestine Jackson, Equal Opportunity Associate, to Friends, 27 November 2012, 7 pages, re: 37th Annual Rev. Marlin Luther King Awards Program will be held January 19, 2013.

- 1.14.13 Document (printed), "MLK Luncheon Survey", undated, 1 page, re: several questions answered.
- 1.14.14 Document (typewritten), "Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing" and "We Shall Overcome", undated, 1 page, re: Song Lyrics.
- 1.14.15 Documents from Martin Luther King Foundation:
  - a. Mailing Envelope (9" x 11.5"), New York City, New York.
  - b. "King Rental Rate Schedule", 16mm print of "King; A Filmed Record... Montgomery to Memphis", undated, 1 page.
  - c. Letter (typewritten), from Coretta Scott King, Martin Luther King Foundation, Inc., New York New York, to Friend, undated, 1 page, re: rental schedule enclosed; "I sincerely hope that your chapter [NAACP] will have a showing for your community."
  - d. Brochure, (printed; quadra-fold), "King", undated, re: Movie Promotion.
- 1.14.16 Document (typewritten), "A Tribute to Rev. Martin Luther King", by Marlene R. Wessels, undated, 1 page, re: Poem.
- 1.14.17 Document (typewritten), "Previous Human Relations Award Recipients", undated, q page, re: list of previous recipients from 1977 to 1990.
- 1.14.18 Document (typewritten; handwritten entries), "Nomination Form" for Ralph L. Smith, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Awards Program Annual Human Relations Award, undated, 2 pages.

**Folder 15: Bowling**

- 1.15.1 Document (typewritten), Minutes, "Ill-Mo Bowling League", Springfield, Illinois, submitted by Butch Elizabeth Price, Secretary, 7 April 1963, 1 page.
- 1.15.2 Document (printed; typewritten entries), "ABC Official League Sanction", 1965-1966 Season, 1 page, re: Certificating that "Ill-Mo Traveling" is affiliated with the American Bowling Congress through the Greater Springfield Bowling Association".
- 1.15.3 Document (typewritten), Minutes, Unidentified Bowling Organization, "Meeting held at Mr. and Mrs. Jamison", submitted by Louise Moore, Secretary, 17 January 1965, 1 page.
- 1.15.4 Letter (typewritten; blue carbon-copy), from Ed. Gaines, President, and Butch E. Price, Secretary, to Ill-Mo Bowling Leagues, 27 January 1965, 1 page, re: 1963-1964 Ill-Mo Bowling Banquet will be held May 1, 1965 at the Red Wood Inn, Danville, Illinois.
- 1.15.5 Document (typewritten), Minutes, "Ill-Mo Executive Board", Peoria, Illinois, submitted by Butch E. Price, Secretary, 16 May 1965, 1 page.
- 1.15.6 Document (printed; yellow carbon-copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 20 June 1965, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #2, and Peoria #2.
- 1.15.7 Document (printed; yellow carbon-copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 20 June 1965, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #1, and Peoria #1.
- 1.15.8 Letter (typewritten; "Woman's International Bowling Congress" letterhead), from Virginia Gonder, Office manager, Columbus, Ohio, to League Secretary, 23 June 1965, 1 page (plus attached undated letter form Butch E. Price, Springfield, Illinois, to Elmer Fischer, Secretary, Greater Springfield Bowling Association, Springfield, Illinois, re: Danville Male Bowlers), re: received your application to sanction your league for 1965-66 season.

- 1.15.9 Document (typewritten), Minutes, "To All Cities of Ill-Mo", Springfield, Illinois, submitted by Butch E. Price, Secretary, July 1965, 1 page.
- 1.15.10 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Edward Gaines, President, and Butch Elizabeth Price, Secretary, to Walter T. Jordan, Sr., Peoria, Illinois, 22 July 1965, 1 page, re: "... no independent teams in this league....".
- 1.15.11 Document (printed; yellow carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "MVBPA Town and Country Lanes League Record", 19 September 1965, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #1.
- 1.15.12 Document (printed; yellow carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 9 January 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Champaign #1, and Bloomington #2.
- 1.15.13 Document (printed; white carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 9 January 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Champaign #1, and Bloomington #2 (Women).
- 1.15.14 Document (printed; yellow carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 20 March 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Peoria #1.
- 1.15.15 Document (printed; yellow carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 20 March 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #1 and Peoria #1.
- 1.15.16 Document (printed; yellow carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "Illinois Woman's Bowling Association, Inc.", 27 March 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores.
- 1.15.17 Document (printed; yellow carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 15 May 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #1 and Springfield #1.
- 1.15.18 Document (printed; white carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 15 May 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #1 and Springfield #1.
- 1.15.19 Document (printed; pink carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 15 May 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington and Danville.
- 1.15.20 Document (printed; typewritten entries), "ABC Official League Sanction", Summer 1966 Season, 1 page, re: Certificating that "Ill-Mo Traveling" is affiliated with the American Bowling Congress through the Greater Springfield Bowling Association".
- 1.15.21 Document (printed; pink carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 21 May 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Champaign #1 and Bloomington #1.
- 1.15.22 Document (printed; pink carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 21 May 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #1 and Springfield #1.
- 1.15.23 Document (printed; pink carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 21 May 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #1 and Champaign #2.
- 1.15.24 Document (printed; pink carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 4 June 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #1 and Springfield #1.
- 1.15.25 Document (printed; pink carbon –copy; handwritten entries), "BPAA Bowling League Record", 4 June 1966, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #1 and Springfield #1 (women).



- 1.15.26 Document (printed; yellow carbon –copy; handwritten entries), “BPAA Bowling League Record”, 4 June 1967, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #2 and Champaign #2.
- 1.15.27 Document (printed; yellow carbon –copy; handwritten entries), “BPAA Bowling League Record”, 4 June 1967, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #2 and Springfield #2.
- 1.15.28 Document (printed; pink carbon –copy; handwritten entries), “BPAA Bowling League Record”, 18 June 1967, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #2 and Springfield #1.
- 1.15.29 Document (printed; yellow carbon –copy; handwritten entries), “BPAA Bowling League Record”, 16 July 1967, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #2 and Springfield #2.
- 1.15.30 Document (printed; yellow carbon –copy; handwritten entries), “BPAA Bowling League Record”, 16 July 1967, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Champaign #2 and Bloomington #2.
- 1.15.31 Document (printed; pink carbon –copy; handwritten entries), “BPAA Bowling League Record”, 20 August 1967, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #2 and Springfield #2 (Women).
- 1.15.32 Document (printed; yellow carbon –copy; handwritten entries), “BPAA Bowling League Record”, 20 August 1967, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #1 and Danville #1.
- 1.15.33 Document (printed; pink carbon –copy; handwritten entries), “BPAA Bowling League Record”, 20 August 1967, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington #2 and Springfield #2
- 1.15.34 Document (printed; pink carbon –copy; handwritten entries), “BPAA Bowling League Record”, 20 August 1967, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Bloomington.
- 1.15.35 Document (typewritten; “computer” paper), “Schedule Ill-Mo 1966-67”, 1966-67, 1 page, re: Schedule.
- 1.15.36 Document (printed; typewritten entries), “ABC Official League Sanction”, Summer 1967/68 Season, 1 page, re: Certificating that “Ill-Mo Traveling” is affiliated with the American Bowling Congress through the Greater Springfield Bowling Association”.
- 1.15.37 Document (typewritten), Minutes, [Ill-Mo] Executive Board, Springfield, Illinois, submitted by Priscilla E. Coleman, Secretary, 27 March 1967, 1 page.
- 1.15.38 Document (typewritten), Minutes, [Ill-Mo] Executive Board, submitted by Priscilla E. Coleman, Secretary, 21 May 1967, 1 page.
- 1.15.39 Document (typewritten), Minutes, [Ill-Mo] Executive Board, submitted by Priscilla E. Coleman, Secretary, 4 June 1967, 2 pages.
- 1.15.40 Document (printed; yellow carbon –copy; handwritten entries), “BPAA Bowling League Record”, 16 June [1967], 1 page, re: bowling scores for Springfield #1 and Bloomington #2.
- 1.15.41 Document (printed; pink carbon –copy; handwritten entries), “BPAA Bowling League Record”, 18 June 1967, 1 page, re: bowling scores for Champaign #2 and Bloomington #2.
- 1.15.42 Document (typewritten), Minutes, Ill-Mo Executive Board, submitted by Priscilla E. Coleman, Secretary, 20 August 1967, 1 page.
- 1.15.43 Document (typewritten), Minutes, [Ill-Mo] Executive Board, submitted by Priscilla C. White, Secretary, 17 September 1967, 1 page.

- 1.15.44 Letter (handwritten), from Linda Smith, Normal, Illinois, to Gwen, 4 March 1968, 1 page, re: want to bowl, but "I am leaving town."
- 1.15.45 Document (typewritten), Minutes, [Ill-Mo] Executive Board, Bloomington, Illinois, submitted by Pris White, Secretary, 24 June 1967, 1 page.
- 1.15.46 Letter (typewritten; yellow paper), from Jeannine Hawkins, Bloomington, Illinois, to Twin City Bowling League c/o Gwendolyn Samuels, Bloomington, Illinois, re: resigning from bowling league.
- 1.15.47 Document (typewritten), Minutes, [Ill-Mo] Executive Board, Springfield, Illinois, submitted by Pris White, Secretary, 20 October 1968, 1 page.
- 1.15.48 Document (lined and bound notebook with no cover; handwritten entries), Minutes, [Eureka Williams Bowling League?], submitted by Secretaries Martha Hunter, and Beulah Kennedy, 9 January 1972 – 10 October 1976.
- 1.15.49 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Eureka Williams Mixed Bowling League, Rules for 1972-1973 Season", 1972, 4 pages.
- 1.15.50 Document (typewritten: photocopy), "By-Laws for the Twin City Bowling League", 5 April 1975, 4 pages (plus copies of several pages with handwritten changes).
- 1.15.51 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Rules to Govern Ill-Mo Bowling League", 1976-1977 Season, 3 pages.
- 1.15.52 Document (typewritten: yellow paper; photocopy), "By-Laws for the Twin City Bowling League", 10 June 1979, 4 pages.
- 1.15.53 Document (typewritten: blue paper; photocopy), "By-Laws for the Twin City Bowling League", 17 January 1981, 4 pages.
- 1.15.54 Document (typewritten: pink paper; photocopy), "By-Laws for the Twin City Bowling League", 30 January 1982, 4 pages.
- 1.15.55 Document (typewritten: blue paper; photocopy), "By-Laws for the Twin City Bowling League", 4 February 1984, 4 pages.
- 1.15.56 Document (typewritten), "Rockettes Bowling League, Price List for 1985-1986 Season", 15 August 1985, 1 page.
- 1.15.57 Document (typewritten: Pink paper; photocopy), "By-Laws for the Twin City Bowling League", 9 March 1986, 5 pages.
- 1.15.58 Letter (typewritten; "Illinois Women's Bowling Association" letterhead), from Patricia A. Fye, Secretary, Freeport, Illinois, to Team Captain, 12 June 1986, 1 page, re: Prize checks are now being distributed.
- 1.15.59 Document (typewritten; yellow paper), "WIBC League Officers' Workshop", by Bloomington Women's Bowling Association, Bloomington Illinois, 26 July 1986, 1 page, re: application form.
- 1.15.60 Document (printed form; blue paper; handwritten entries), League Record Service by Pheasant Lanes, 13 November 1986. 1 page, re: bowling scores for Rockettes.
- 1.15.61 Document (typewritten: yellow paper; photocopy), "By-Laws for the Twin City Bowling League", 8 February 1987, 3 pages.
- 1.15.62 Document (printed form; photocopy), "Mixed League Standing Sheet", 19 December 1988, 1 page, re: Eureka Mixed League.
- 1.15.63 Document (typewritten; handwritten annotations), "1989-90 Pin Busters League Rules", 1989-90, 2 pages.
- 1.15.64 Document (typewritten; handwritten annotations), "1989-90 Pin Busters Prize List", 1989-90, 1 page.

- 1.15.65 Document (typewritten; computer print-out), "League #420: Tri County, Week 30", 26 March 1992, 1 page, re: results for AMF Circle Lanes.
- 1.15.66 Document (typewritten), Agenda, "Bloomington Illinois Twin Cities Traveling Bowling League", 24 April 1993, 5 pages.
- 1.15.67 Document (typewritten), Minutes, Bloomington Normal Twin City Bowlers, submitted by Jimella Suggs, Secretary, 10 April 1994, 2 pages.
- 1.15.68 Document (typewritten), "Bowling Schedule for Ill-Mo Travel League", 1994-95, 1 page.
- 1.15.69 Document (handwritten; photocopy), Check from Twin City Bowling League, Bloomington, Illinois, to Mike's All Events Trophy, 1 March 1996, 1 page, re: copy of \$275 check send to Willie Lucas, Springfield, Illinois.
- 1.15.70 Document (typewritten; computer print-out), "Ill-Mo Travel League", 30 September 1998, 1 page, re: Results for Men and Women.
- 1.15.71 Letter (handwritten; photocopy), from Henry Simpson, Jr., Secretary, Bloomington Illinois/Missouri Travel League, to "To Whom it May Concern", 10 October 2002, 1 page, re: Merlin Kennedy has 126.6 average.
- 1.15.72 Document (handwritten; lined notebook paper), "I. Agreed", undated, 3 pages.
- 1.15.73 Document (typewritten), "Bylaws for the Twin City Bowling League, undated, 1 page (6 versions).
- 1.15.74 Document (printed accounting ledger; handwritten entries), "Women's Averages", undated, 1 page,
- 1.15.75 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Twin City Bowling League will have a Moonlight Bowl....", undated, 1 page, re: Application Form.
- 1.15.76 Document (handwritten; notebook paper), Partial Minutes, undated, 1 page, re: "Pres asked for a ruling....".
- 1.15.77 Letter (handwritten; photocopy), from Louise Morris, Secretary, Danville League, Danville, Illinois, to Gwen, undated, 1 page, re: enclosing check for \$36.40.
- 1.15.78 Document (typewritten; with handwritten annotations), Weekly Schedule, undated, 1 page, re: "Position Day Fun Game".
- 1.15.79 Document (printed form; photocopy; handwritten entries), "Mixed League Record Sheet", undated, 26 pages (in white bound folder), re: results for individual bowlers.
- 1.15.80 Document (printed form; photocopy), "Mixed League Record Sheet", undated, 1 page, re: Blank Form.
- 1.15.81 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "The Organization of Church Bowling Team", undated, 1 page, re: Rules for Team Membership.

**Folder 16: Softball**

- 1.16.1 Document (Printed form; photocopy; handwritten entries), "Write It! Inter-Office Communication, The Eureka Company", from Stacy Hutchinson, to Softball Team, 25 April 1979, 1 page, re: Team Members.
- 1.16.2 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Bloomington Parks & Recreation Department, Division A-III (Thursdays @ R.T. Dunn West)", 1988 Season, 3 pages (with two versions of Eureka Federal Credit Union Roster), re: Game Schedule.

- 1.16.3 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Bloomington Parks and Recreation Softball Roster" for Eureka Company Federal Credit Union, 1990 Season, 1 page.
- 1.16.4 Document (printed form), "City of Bloomington, Cash Receipt", 25 February 1991, 1 page, re: Receipt of \$240.00 from Eureka Fd. Credit Union for "Entry Fee for Men's Softball".
- 1.16.5 Document (printed; green paper), "Softball Field Reservation Policy", 1 April 1991, 1 page.
- 1.16.6 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Bloomington Parks and Recreation Softball Roster" for Eureka Co Credit Union, 1991 Season, 1 page.
- 1.16.7 Letter (handwritten; photocopy), from Merlin R. Kennedy, Manager, Eureka Softball Team to The Credit Union Board, 4 February 1992, 1 page, re: requesting Credit Union to sponsor softball team for 1992 season.
- 1.16.8 Document (computer print-out; photocopy), "Eureka Federal Credit Union Softball Team", 1992, 1 page, re: Player Statistics, and Team Standing.
- 1.16.9 Document (printed), "Bloomington Parks & Red. Dept., 1992 Men's and Women's Recreational 12-inch Slowpitch Softball Leagues", 19 February 1992, 1 page.
- 1.16.10 Document (printed form; yellow paper), "Parks & Recreation Department Ball Diamond Permit", 12 April 1994, 1 page (with envelope), \$2 rental fee for Miller East.
- 1.16.11 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Bill Martin, Recreation Specialist/Athletics, to Final Standings for Monday Rec League, 1 September 1998, 1 page, re: final standings; top three teams can pick up trophies.
- 1.16.12 Document (printed; blue paper), "Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department Adult Softball Program Survey", Summer 2002, 1 page (with envelope), re: "... issues that have been proposed as changes to the existing program format."

**Folder 17: Golf**

- 1.17.1 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "Bel-Air County Club, Inc. of Bloomington Illinois, Expenditures for 3 (three) months", 31 August 1969, 1 page.
- 1.17.2 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "McLean County Senior Golf Association, 1990 Senior Golf Association", 1990, 1 page, re: List of Courses and Dates.
- 1.17.3 Document (typewritten; photocopy; handwritten entries), "Outing Schedule for 1990", 1990, 3 pages, re: List of Courses and Fees.
- 1.17.4 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Twin Cities Duffer's Club Reservation Schedule for 1990", 1990, 1 page, re: List of Names and Dates.
- 1.17.5 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "McLean County Senior Golf Association", 19 May 1990, 3 pages (with envelope), re: List of Membership and Current Handicaps.
- 1.17.6 Document (computer print-out; photocopy), "Eureka Golf League", 30 May 1990, 1 page, re: Standings.
- 1.17.7 Document (computer print-out; photocopy), "Eureka Golf League", 6 June 1990, 1 page, re: Standings.
- 1.17.8 Document (computer print-out; photocopy), "Eureka Golf League", 27 June 1990, 1 page, re: Standings.
- 1.17.9 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Transportation Club of Peoria 1990 Golf Outing", 27 June 1990, 1 page (with envelope), re: Golf Outing at Quail Meadows County Club, Washington, Illinois.

- 1.17.10 Document (printed card; handwritten entries), "Eureka Golf League, Highland Park Course", 12 September 1990, 1 page, re: Golf scores for Whinna and Kennedy.
- 1.17.11 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "McLean County Senior Golf Association", 22 May 1991, 3 pages, re: List of Membership and Current Handicaps.
- 1.17.12 Document, (typewritten; photocopy; yellow and white paper), "To: All Individuals Participating in the Golf Tournament(s) for Couple's Playday, September 8, 1991", 5 September 1991, 2 pages, re: Information about carts and Tee Times.
- 1.17.13 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Transportation Club of Bloomington Illinois", 1992, 1 page, re: 1992 Golf Outing Challenges.
- 1.17.14 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Transportation Club of Bloomington Illinois", 1993, 1 page, re: 1993 Golf Outing Challenges.
- 1.17.15 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "McLean County Senior Golf Association", 24 March 1995, 1 page (with envelope), re: Spring Dinner at Lakeside Country Club, Bloomington, Illinois.
- 1.17.16 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "McLean County Senior Golf Association", 1998, 3 pages, re: Membership List.
- 1.17.17 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "1998 Eureka Golf League Schedule", 1998, 2 pages, re: Schedule and Rosters.
- 1.17.18 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "McLean County Senior Golf Association", 29 June 1998, 1 page, re: Dinner & Scramble.
- 1.17.19 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "1999 Inter-Company Tournament", 27 June 1999, 2 pages, re: Tee Times.

**Folder 18: Sports (Misc.)**

- 1.18.1 Document (lined accounting paper; handwritten entries), "Drawing for T.V.", 9 May 1971, 1 page, re: list of tickets sold and money collected.
- 1.18.2 Document (typewritten), "Re: Bloomington High School football Team", 25 August 1985, 16 pages, re: observations on son Dwayne [Ware?] football quest to be the quarterback.
- 1.18.3 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "9 Game Totals (8-1)", [Presumably 1985], 2 pages, re: Compiled statistics for Bloomington High School Sophomore football team; with newspaper summaries.
- 1.18.4 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Eureka Volleyball League Schedule", 1990-1991, 1 page, re: Team schedule for games played at ISU Rec Center.
- 1.18.5 Document (printed flyer; green paper), "Co-Recreational Volleyball", 8 September [1998], 1 page, re: Bloomington Parks & Recreation Department sponsored volleyball league registration announcement.
- 1.18.6 Document (printed flyer; blue paper), "Men's Basketball Leagues", 28 September 1998, 1 page, re: Bloomington Parks & Recreation Department sponsored basketball league registration announcement.
- 1.18.7 Document (printed flyer; yellow paper, quadra-fold), "The Martial Arts Tae Kwon Do", undated, 1 page, re: Advertisement for P.S. Academy, Inc., The Holistic Center.
- 1.18.8 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Officers", undated, 1 page, re: list of officers and members.

- 1.18.9 Document (typewritten with handwritten entries; photocopy), "Sponsor Level Business", undated, 4 pages, re: list of sponsors with contact person, telephone number and address.

**Folder 19: Santa Claus**

- 1.19.1 Newspaper Article, "Christmas Parade Lists Moe Bands", The Pantagraph (presumably), Bloomington, Illinois, 7 November 1966, re: "There will be only one Santa Claus – the one provided by the Downtown Council."
- 1.19.2 Newspaper Article, "No Ho Ho, Santa Visits City Council", The Pantagraph (presumably), Bloomington, Illinois, 15 November 1966, re: Merlin Kennedy at meeting in Santa Clause Suit; "Mr. Taylor said the one-Santa rule has been in existence for about 15 years and has nothing to do with race."
- 1.19.3 Newspaper Article, "By the Public: Parade Ruling Strange", The Pantagraph (presumably), Bloomington, Illinois, 15 November 1966, re: Letter to Editor, from George Warren; "Is the symbolic death of a Black Santa important?"
- 1.19.4 Newspaper Article, (with photocopy), "Fine Parade, Says Mayor", by Bill Wills, The Pantagraph (presumably), Bloomington, Illinois, 19 November 1966, re: "Large Crowd ... included spare Santa".
- 1.19.5 Newspaper Article, "Bloomington Parade Bars Negro Santa", Chicago's American, Chicago, Illinois, 20 November 1966, Section 1, page 5.
- 1.19.6 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "WJBC Editorial #311" and rebuttal, 22 November 1966, 2 pages, re: "The point is that the color of Santa's skin is not important..."
- 1.19.7 Newspaper Article (photocopy), "By the Public: Comment on Yule Parade, The Pantagraph (presumably), Bloomington, Illinois, 28 November 1966, re: Letter to Editor, from William H. White: "I am not a colored man as some may think by this letter, but my Bible says that God created us all in his image."
- 1.19.8 Newspaper Article (photocopy), "Communications Closed?", [The Pantagraph?], Bloomington, Illinois, 4 December 1966, re: Letter to Editor, from Mrs. Naomi L. McClenney: "I had inquired if the float could be entered without 'Santa'..."
- 1.19.9 Newspaper Article (photocopy), "Negro-Santa Backer Insists Police Arrested Parade Trio", The Pantagraph (presumably), Bloomington, Illinois, 29 November 1966, re: Carroll Cox rose at city council meeting to "protest an 'exercise of police power'".
- 1.19.10 Magazine, 'Jet', 6 December 1966, Vol. XXXI, No. 2, Published by Johnson Publishing Co., Inc., Chicago Illinois, [note: pages missing; plus two photocopies of page 37].
- 1.19.11 Newspaper Article (photocopy), "NAACP Plan Own Parade", The Pantagraph (presumably), Bloomington, Illinois, 3 October 1967.
- 1.19.12 Newspaper Article (photocopy), "Santa Parade OK's for 'Green Martians'", The Pantagraph (presumably), Bloomington, Illinois, 4 October 1967.
- 1.19.13 Newspaper Article (photocopy), "Yule Solution" Political Cartoon, The Pantagraph (presumably), Bloomington, Illinois, 8 October 1967.
- 1.19.14 Newspaper Article (photocopy), "NAACP Wants Lone Santa to be Negro", The Pantagraph (presumably), Bloomington, Illinois, 27 September 1969.
- 1.19.15 Newspaper Article (photocopy), "A Of C's Downtown Council Starts Search for Santa Clause", The Pantagraph (presumably), Bloomington, Illinois, undated.

**Folder 20: City of Bloomington Human Relations Commission File 1 (Dated)**

- 1.20.1 Document (typewritten; orange paper), "Housing Discrimination in the Bloomington-Normal Community", by Dr. Ben Keeley of ISNU [Illinois State Normal University] and Dr. John Martin of IWU [Illinois Wesleyan University], February 1963, 2 pages, re: Reprint by the Bloomington Normal Council on Human Relations.
- 1.20.2 Document (typewritten; blue paper), "The Second Monthly Report of -- 'One Hundred Serious Cases of Racial Prejudice in Housing in Illinois'", compiled and printed by the United Citizens' Committee for Freedom of Residence in Illinois, Evanston, Illinois, 25 July 1963, 16 pages.
- 1.20.3 Document (typewritten), "The Search for a Home", 1 December 1963, 1 page (plus additional copy on "onion skin" paper on 2 pages), re: "A case history of housing discrimination including questions compiled [sic] by the Bloomington-Normal Human Relations Council for submission to the Bloomington-Normal Board of Realtors for action."
- 1.20.4 Document (handwritten), "Phone Call 12/20/63 Mr. Lutz", 20 December 1963, 5 pages (plus newspaper clipping, "Lutz Named President of Realtors", 3 December 1963), re: notes pertaining to contacts with members of Bloomington-Normal Board of Realtors: George A Lutz, Homer Park and Walter Stoutamoyer; plus Mayor Robert McGraw, Mr. Ingold, and Mr. Riggs.
- 1.20.5 Letter (typewritten; "onion skin" paper), from Robert reed, President, Bloomington-Normal Human Relations Council, Bloomington, Illinois, to George Lutz, President, Bloomington-Normal Board of Realtors, Bloomington, Illinois, 5 December 1963, 2 pages, re: discrimination in housing experienced by Dr. and Mrs. John Martin.
- 1.20.6 Letter (typewritten; "Grace Church, Evangelical United Brethren, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), from Pastor H. I. Newell, to Ralph L. Smith, Chairman, Bloomington-Normal Human Relations Council, Normal, Illinois, 8 January 1964, 2 pages, re: Response to "recent communication requesting a commitment by our church concerning equal privileges of freedom of housing opportunity in Bloomington-Normal."
- 1.20.7 Letter (typewritten; "onion skin" paper), from Ralph L. Smith, Chairman, Housing Committee, Bloomington-Normal Human Relations Council, to H. I. Newell, Pastor, Grace Church, Evangelical United Brethren, Bloomington, Illinois to, 12 January 1964, 2 pages, re: "... Human Relations Council does not concur with your point of view regarding a divinely ordained separation of the races, we appreciate your thoughtful and sincere reply....".
- 1.20.8 Memo (typewritten; "onion skin" paper), from Ralph L. Smith, Chairman, Housing Committee, Bloomington-Normal Human Relations Council, to Richard Hulet, Normal Human Relations Commission, 28 January 1965, 2 pages (with additional hand-written notes), re: "types of Housing Discrimination in Bloomington-Normal".
- 1.20.9 Memo (typewritten; carbon-copy), from Ralph L. Smith, Chairman, Housing Committee, Bloomington-Normal Human Relations Council, to United Citizens Committee for Freedom of Residence, 13 February 1965, 2 pages, re: "Additional Case Histories of Discrimination".
- 1.20.10 Memo (typewritten; carbon-copy), from Larry LeFevre, Director of Urban Renewal, to Citizen's Community Improvement Committee, Commission on Human Relations, and Other Interested Parties, 28 June 1965, 1 pages (plus 45 page enclosure, "First Draft

- Relocation Report, Wood Hill Urban Renewal Project III. R-66, Bloomington , Illinois”), re: Meeting to be held on July 12 to discuss the attached report.
- 1.20.11 Documents (typewritten; “onion skin” paper), “Complainant”, 7 August 1965, 3 pages, re: Three Complaints filed by Mr. and Mrs. Enrique Gonzales [Gonzalez?] against Mr. Ed Syms, Dr. Thomas Moore, Mrs. Marguerite Clark, and Mrs. Harry Freedlund, alleging housing discrimination.
  - 1.20.12 Newspaper Clippings, (taped to cardboard), “City Gets Four Complaints of Housing Discrimination”, 10 August 1965; “Housing Story Brings Denial of Pair’s Race”, 11 August 1965; and “Race Rights Body Eyes Ordinance”, 11 September 1965.
  - 1.20.13 Newspaper Clippings, (taped to cardboard), “Discrimination Complaints Aired in Closed Meeting”, 21 September 1965; and “Confrontation in Housing Discrimination Case Stalled”, 23 September 1965.
  - 1.20.14 Documents (typewritten), “Complainant”, 30 April 1966, 2 pages, re: 3 Complaints filed by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Herbert against Mrs. Rolland O. Gray, Mr. Gus Bluemke, and Mr. John Flynn alleging housing discrimination.
  - 1.20.15 Letter (typewritten), from [Mr. and Mrs. Robert Herbert], to The Rev. J. C. Cronenberg, Chairman, Bloomington Human Relations Commission, Bloomington, Illinois, 2 May 1966, 1 page, re: living at Hotel Rogers while searching for apartment; have been refused several times; please act on complaints.
  - 1.20.16 Letter (typewritten; “onion skin” paper), from Ralph L. Smith, Chairman, Housing Committee, Bloomington Branch, NAACP, to Head, Department of Education and Registration, Springfield, Illinois, 14 May 1967, re: enclosing complaint about discrimination in housing from Mrs. Grace Stewart against a real estate company; Bloomington does not have “open-occupancy ordinance”.
  - 1.20.17 Letter (typewritten; “onion skin” paper), from Ralph L. Smith, [Chairman, Housing Committee, Bloomington-Normal Human Relations Council], Normal, Illinois, to Richard Hulet, Chairman, Normal Human Relations Commission, Normal, Illinois, 20 May 1966, 2 pages, re: “... providing your commission with material which might be helpful at the time an open occupancy ordinance is requested of the city council.”
  - 1.20.18 Memo (typewritten; “onion skin” paper), from Mrs. Earlee Rich, to Human Relations Commission, Bloomington, Illinois, 16 September 1967, 1 page, re: “Complaint about housing discrimination”.
  - 1.20.19 Newspaper Clipping, “6 Apartment Owners Named in Discrimination Complaints”, 20 July 1968, re: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jones.
  - 1.20.20 Newspaper Clipping, “La Croix Explains Refusal to Rent to Negro Family”, 27 July 1968.
  - 1.20.21 Letter (typewritten; “Town of Normal Human Relations Commission” letterhead), from Mrs. Grace Bonds, Chairman, Normal, Illinois, to Mayor Charles Baugh, Normal, Illinois, 2 August 1968, 8 pages, re: information about alleged incidents of discrimination occurring between 1962 and 1968.
  - 1.20.22 Letter (typewritten), from Ralph L. Smith, Normal, Illinois, to Darryl Norton, Carbondale, Illinois, 20 June 1969, 2 pages, re: enclosing sample of housing complaint; Notation on page 2: “This complaint form was not used, since Mrs. Danielson had second thought and called Mr. Norton long distance to offer him the apartment.”



- 1.20.23 Document (typewritten; green paper), "Staff Workshop on Human Relations", 14 December 1970, 1 page, re: Program presented by Bloomington Public Schools District #87 at Bloomington Senior High School.
- 1.20.24 Document (typewritten; blue paper cover), "Midland III, A Project of the Bloomington-Normal YMCA", January 1971, 19 pages, re: Survey of racial attitudes of white citizens of Bloomington-Normal; and employment and educational situation of black people.
- 1.20.25 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Resolution IV and Resolution V", March 1971, 2 pages, re: unsigned Bloomington City Council Resolutions supporting "...legislative action which would provide a minimum subsistence level for those citizens on public welfare" and "...increased numbers of all groups, including minority group members, be given the opportunity to enter the skilled trades construction work force"..
- 1.20.26 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Ernest L. Hoffman, Jr., Chairman, Bloomington Commission on Human Relations, to All members of Bloomington Commission on Human Relations, 28 April 1971, 1 page, re: meeting to be held on May 4.
- 1.20.27 Newspaper Clipping (attached to blank paper), "Kennedy elected by commission", The Pantagraph, 3 May 1971, page A-3, re: Merlin Kennedy named chairman of Bloomington Human Relations Commission.
- 1.20.28 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Walter Bittner, Mayor, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, Chairman, Commission on Human Relations, Bloomington, Illinois, 12 May 1971, 1 page, re: congratulations on appointment to Chairmanship of Commission on Human Relations.
- 1.20.29 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Walter Bittner, Mayor, Bloomington, Illinois; photocopy), to Rev. E. K. Wolgamot, Bloomington, Illinois, 12 May 1971, 1 page, re: accept your resignation as member of Commission on Human Relations with regret.
- 1.20.30 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Ernest L. Hoffman, Jr., Chairman, Bloomington Commission on Human Relations, to All members of Bloomington Commission on Human Relations, 27 May 1971, 1 page, re: meeting to be held on June 1.
- 1.20.31 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Lawrence Daniel, Secretary, Bloomington Commission on Human Relations, to Members of Bloomington Commission on Human Relations, 28 June 1971, 2 pages, re: meeting to be held on July 6; list of committee members.
- 1.20.32 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Lawrence Daniel, Secretary, Bloomington Commission on Human Relations, to Members of Bloomington Commission on Human Relations, 28 July 1971, 1 page, re: meeting to be held on August 3 at Wood Hill Apartments.
- 1.20.33 Document (printed with typewritten entries; photocopy), "Purchase Order" for City of Bloomington, Illinois, 13 December 1971, 1 page, re: "Pictorial History of Black America", Johnson Publishing Company, Chicago, Illinois.
- 1.20.34 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Recommendation for Part-time Staff Coordinator – Human Relations for City of Bloomington, Illinois", 4 January 1972, 7 pages.
- 1.20.35 Document (printed; photocopy), Invoice, from United Publishing Corporation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 31 January 1972, 1 page, re: order for Journal of Negro History
- 1.20.36 Document (typewritten; photocopy), untitled document prepared by the Employment Committee of the Bloomington Commission on Human Relations, 15 February 1972, 3

- pages, re: response to document presented to Bloomington Human Relations Commission alleging racism by Chief of Police.
- 1.20.37 Minutes (typewritten; photocopy), Human Relations Commission, 1 August 1972, 2 pages.
  - 1.20.38 Letter (typewritten; "Illinois Commission on Human Relations" letterhead), from James D. Perrone, Director of Community Services, Springfield, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, Chairman, Bloomington Human Relations Commission, Bloomington, Illinois, 10 August 1972, 1 page, re: due to pending implementation of revision of Bloomington Commission, recommend suspension of organizational development project.
  - 1.20.39 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, Chairman, Commission on Human Relations, to Harold Bosshardt, Chief of Police, 13 August 1972, 1 page, re: questions regarding assignment of overtime duty.
  - 1.20.40 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Aaron A. Vessup, Human Relations Coordinator, to All Human Relations Commissioners, 14 August 1972, 2 pages, re: "city-council" is revamping ordinance 1962-43 and 1969-56 pertaining to the commission; suspending O. D. [organizational development] work session until changes finalized.
  - 1.20.41 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Statement of Policy of the Bloomington City Council Relative to Report of Special Committee of Human Relations Commission," 14 August 1972, 2 pages, re: endorsing concept of minority representation on Board of Fire and Police Commissioners; reconfirming affirmation action program adopted in March 1971.
  - 1.20.42 Letter (typewritten; "United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry of the United State and Canada" letterhead), from Walter J. Petry, Business Representative, Bloomington, Illinois, to Human Relations Commission, c/o Aaron Vessup, Coordinator, Bloomington, Illinois, 15 August 1972, 1 page, re: Pipefitter applications available for persons 18 to 26.
  - 1.20.43 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from "ELH" [Ernst Hoffman, Jr.?], to Mrs. Lynteen Bell, Carl Stiger, Darrell L. Hartweg, Bloomington, Illinois, 12 September 1972, 3 pages, re: "Overtime Discrimination Complaint – Two Black Policemen".
  - 1.20.44 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Aaron A. Vessup, Human Relations Coordinator, to Members, Human Relations Commission, Bloomington, Illinois, 26 September 1972, 2 pages, re: enclosures for October meeting.
  - 1.20.45 Document (typewritten; orange paper), "The Community Profile of Bloomington, Illinois", September 1972, 4 pages, re: demographic information compiled by The Office of Human Relations, Bloomington, Illinois.
  - 1.20.46 Agenda (typewritten), "Bloomington Human Relations Commission", 3 October 1972, 1 page.
  - 1.20.47 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Aaron A. Vessup, Human Relations Coordinator, to Merlin Kennedy, H. R. C. Chairman; Ernest Hoffman, Investigation Chairman; Richard Blodgett, City Manager; and Harold Bosshardt, Chief of Police, 9 October 1972, 2 pages, re: "Investigation of Alleged Discrimination Complaint Against Police Chief".
  - 1.20.48 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Ernest L. Hoffman, Jr., to Investigation Committee, Merlin Kennedy, H R C Chairman, and Aaron A. Vessup, HR Coordinator,

- 11 October 1972, 1 page, re: "Alleged Discrimination Complaint Against Police Chief"; meeting at my house on October 18?.
- 1.20.49 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Affirmative Action Plan, City of Bloomington", May 1975, 5 pages, re: Job Level Inventory.
- 1.20.50 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Ray Hodges, Human Relations Coordinator, to Participants of the Affirmative Action Committee, 3 October 1975, 39 pages (plus mailing envelope), re: Proposed "Affirmative Action Program".
- 1.20.51 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Ray H. Hodges, to Mr. Kennedy, 24 October 1975, 15 pages, re: enclosing draft copy of Bloomington Human Relations Ordinance No. 1975-.
- 1.20.52 Document (typewritten; green cover), "City of Bloomington's Human Relations Commission 1980 Annual Report", Summer 1980, 31 pages (plus covers).
- 1.20.53 Document (typewritten; yellow cover), "City of Bloomington's Human Relations Commission 1981 Annual Report", Spring 1981, 19 pages (plus covers).
- 1.20.54 Document (typewritten; yellow cover), "City of Bloomington's Human Relations Commission 1984 Annual Report", 6 December 1984, 15 pages (plus covers).
- 1.20.55 Letter (typewritten; City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Tim Walker, Human Relations Director, Bloomington, Illinois, to Community Resident, 4 January 1985, 2 page, re: requesting nominations for "Human Relations Award" to be presented at annual Martin Luther King Awards Program.
- 1.20.56 Letter (typewritten; City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Les Sudduth, Chairman, Bloomington Human Relations Commission, Bloomington, Illinois, to Whom It May Concern, 30 March 1985, 2 page, re: requesting financial support by advertizing in program for annual Dr. Martin Luther King Awards Program.
- 1.20.57 Newsletter (printed), "Bloomington Human Relations Commission News & Views", Bloomington, Illinois, Winter 1985, 4 pages.
- 1.20.58 Letter (typewritten; City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Les Sudduth, Chairman, Bloomington Human Relations Commission, Bloomington, Illinois, to Friends, 2 November 1990, 2 pages, re: requesting nominations for "Human Relations Award" to be presented at annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Awards Program; partially completed Nomination Form for Beulah M Kennedy.
- 1.20.59 Letter (typewritten; City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Les Sudduth, Chairman, Bloomington Human Relations Commission, Bloomington, Illinois, to Friends, 9 November 1992, 1 page, re: requesting nominations for "Human Relations Award" to be presented at annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Awards Program; plus the following attached documents:
- a. "1992 Human Relations Award Nomination" form, 1 page.
  - b. "Previous Human Relations Award Recipients", 1 page.
  - c. Newspaper Clipping (photocopy), "ISU Prof, city worker get King award", The Pantagraph, by Kurt Erickson, 1991, re: Lee Otis Brewer and Mary Campbell.
  - d. "Beulah M. Kennedy, a native of Bloomington....", (typewritten), 2 pages, re: nominations information provided by Merlin R. Kennedy.
  - e. Newspaper Clipping, "Human Relations Award winners named", The Pantagraph, by Gary Mays, 1993, re: Elaine Bell and Frank Suggs.
  - f. Newspaper Clipping, "Winners believe racism growing worse", The Pantagraph, by Gary Mays, 1993, re: Quotes from Elaine Bell and Frank Suggs.

g. "1992 Human Relations Award Nomination" completed form with typewritten entries, 2 pages, re: Mrs. Beulah M. Kennedy.

h. Newspaper Clipping (photocopy), "Twin City human relations award recipients selected", The Pantagraph, by Martha Purdy, 1992[?], re: Robert Hathway and Dr. Jack Ballen.

- 1.20.60 Letter (typewritten; City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Barbara J. Adkins, Coordinator, Community Relations, Bloomington, Illinois, to Friends, 1 November 1995, 1 page, re: requesting nominations [for "Human Relations Award"] to be presented at the 20th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Awards Program.
- 1.20.61 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Joint Press Conference", Bloomington-Normal Human Relations Commissions, 5 January 1996, 1 page, re: Award Recipients.

**Folder 21: City of Bloomington Human Relations Commission File 2 (Undated)**

- 1.21.1 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Complaint of Unfair Employment Practice" Form, City of Bloomington Commission On Human Relations, Bloomington, Illinois, undated, 1 page.
- 1.21.2 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Complaint for Violation of Ordinance No. 1967-43" Form, City of Bloomington Commission On Human Relations, Bloomington, Illinois, undated, 1 page.
- 1.21.3 Pamphlet (printed; tri-fold, blue paper), "Community Diversity Reconciliation", Normal Human Relations Commission, Normal, Illinois, undated, 1 page.
- 1.21.4 Booklet (printed; green cover), "Bloomington Affirmative Action Program", Bloomington, Illinois (introduction by David Anderson, City Manager), 14 pages (plus cover).
- 1.21.5 Pamphlet (printed; tan paper; bi-fold), "Town of Normal Human Relations Commission", Normal, Illinois, undated, 4 pages.
- 1.21.6 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Fair Employment Practices Commission Complainant Information Sheet" Form, Chicago and Springfield, Illinois, undated, 1 page.
- 1.21.7 Document (typewritten; "mimeograph"), "Why bother with a fair-housing ordinance when the towns of Bloomington and Normal have no problem with negroes not being able to find suitable housing?", undated, 2 pages, re: Questions and Answers about Fair Housing Ordinance.
- 1.21.8 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Application for Human Relations Commissioner", Bloomington, Illinois, undated, 1 page.
- 1.21.9 Document (white pocket folder), "City of Bloomington Human Relations Office", with the following documents:
- a. Pamphlet (printed; tri-fold), "What you and your neighbor should know about Bloomington's Fair Housing Ordinance", undated, 1 page.
  - b. Flyer (printed), "Meet the Executive Director of the Illinois Human Relations Commission", undated, 1 page, re: Connie Seals.
  - c. Flyer (printed), "Meet the Coordinator of Human Relations for the City of Bloomington", undated, 1 page, re: Ray H. Hodges.
  - d. Flyer (printed; tan paper), "Bloomington Commission on Human Relations 'People to People'", undated, 1 page.
  - e. Notes (handwritten; 4" x 5" paper), "Aldrine Dark", undated, 3 pages.

- f. "Bloomington Human Relations Office", undated, 10 pages, re: "Guide for Apartment Hunters".
- 1.21.10 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Suggestions for a More Effective Human Relations Commission", undated, 1 page.
- 1.21.11 Document (handwritten), "Election of Officers", undated, 1 page.
- 1.21.12 Document (handwritten), "Chairman County Board, Public Aid Committee", undated, 2 pages.
- 1.21.13 Document (typewritten), "Interview for McLean County's Black Citizens", undated, 2 pages re: list of questions.
- 1.21.14 Document (typewritten; "mimeographed"), "The Background of the Study Group of Economic Deprivation", undated, 7 pages.
- 1.21.15 Letter (typewritten; "State of Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities" letterhead), from Arthur L. Green, Director, Hartford, Connecticut, to Friends, undated, 1 page, re: enclosing completely revised booklet, "This is your Commission".
- 1.21.16 Document (handwritten; 8.5" x 6" lined paper), "Participatory Democracy, Dogmatic Bossism, Tragically Lethargic, The Difficulties of Communication", undated, 4 pages.
- 1.21.17 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Movie", from Merlin R. Kennedy, Chairman, Bloomington Commission of Human Relations, 2 pages, re: Movie "Black and White Uptight" available to "interested Community Groups"; Agenda for August 3.
- 1.21.18 Pamphlet (printed; orange paper; tri-fold), "Some Questions and Answers About The Bloomington Commission On Human Relations", undated.
- 1.21.19 Document (printed; legal size paper), "Housing Authority of the City of Bloomington, Illinois Dwelling Lease", undated, 3 pages, re: Blank Form.
- 1.21.20 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Affirmative Action Monthly Report", undated, 4 pages, re: January and February Report.

## **Box 2**

### **Organizations; Religion; Social Causes**

#### **Folder 1: Gospelfest**

- 2.1.1 Document (hand-written), "Total 125 Mailed", 22 June 1993, 1 page, re: mailing history narrative.
- 2.2.2 Document (typewritten), "Central Illinois Gospelfest Budget", 9 October 1993, 1 page (plus handwritten draft), re: "\$25,000 Net Donation for Community Outreach"; sponsored by Friends of Wayman A.M.E. Church, Bloomington, Illinois.

#### **Folder 2: Mid Central Community Action; SHARE (Self-Help and Resource Exchange)**

- 2.2.1 Document (printed; pink paper; bi-fold), "Operation Recycle", undated, 4 pages, re: "A full-service, non-profit, volunteer-supported, community recycling center".
- 2.2.2 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "S.H.A.R.E. (Self-Help and Resource Exchange)", undated, 1 page, re: description of food distribution program; "SHARE is a food buying club".
- 2.2.3 Document (typewritten; photocopy; yellow), "Community Action; SHARE if you eat, you qualify!", undated, 1 page, re: description of SHARE program.
- 2.2.4 Document (printed; bi-fold), "The Observer", undated, 1 page, re: Community Action Newsletter.
- 2.2.5 Document (printed; photocopy), "Call and Ask About Our Scholarship Program", undated, 1 page, re: Advertisement for Program funded by Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs.
- 2.2.6 Brochure (printed; bi-fold), "Mid Central Community Action, Inc., Help for Today ... Hope for Tomorrow", undated, 1 page, re: list of services provided by Community Action.

#### **Folder 3: Prairie State Legal Services**

- 2.3.1 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Regular Monthly Report", December 1992, 3 pages, re: office activity report; three attorneys: J. Porter, G. Boyle, D. Kempin.
- 2.3.2 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Cases by Subject Areas and by Office", 1993, 1 page, re: chart of cases for nine state offices.
- 2.3.3 Minutes (typewritten; photocopy), "Advisory Council of Bloomington Office of Prairie State Legal Services, Inc.", submitted by Jack Porter, Secretary, 17 November 1993, 1 page.
- 2.3.4 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Regular Monthly Report", December 1993, 3 pages, re: office activity report; three attorneys: J. Porter, G. Boyle, D. Kempin.
- 2.3.5 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Prairie State Legal Services, Inc. Revenue and Expenditure Statement", 20 January 1994, 2 pages, re: "December 1, 1993 to December 31, 1993".
- 2.3.6 Agenda (typewritten; photocopy), "Advisory Council Agenda", 15 February 1994, 1 page.

- 2.3.7 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Regular Monthly Report", April 1994, 3 pages, re: office activity report; four attorneys: J. Porter, G. Boyle, D. Kempin, Ted Lowry.
- 2.3.8 Minutes (typewritten; photocopy), "Advisory Council of Bloomington Office of Prairie State Legal Services, Inc.", submitted by Jack Porter, Secretary, 21 February 1995, 2 pages.
- 2.3.9 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Advisory Council – Bloomington Office", March 1993, 2 pages, re: list of Council members.
- 2.3.10 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Regular Monthly Report", April 1995, 4 pages, re: office activity report; three attorneys: Jack Porter, George Boyle, Dori Kempin.
- 2.3.11 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "1994 Campaign Totals for Office", 3 April 1995, 1 page, re: dollar amounts shown for all offices.
- 2.3.12 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Arthur R. Swanson, Counselor at Law" letterhead), from Arthur R. Swanson, Rockford, Illinois, to The Honorable Donald Manzullo, U.S. Representative, Washington, D.C., 1 May 1995, 1 page, re: urging funding support of Legal Services Corporation; writer is Winnebago County Bar Association's representative to the Prairie State Legal Services Board of Directors.
- 2.3.13 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Prairie State Legal Services, Inc. 1995 Budget", 4 May 1995, 2 pages.
- 2.3.14 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Prairie State Legal Services, Inc." letterhead), from Joseph A. Dalling, Executive Director, Rockford, Illinois, to Board of Directors, 11 May 1995, 2 pages, re: "Contingency Planning Proposal"; "plan for a reduction in force" due to Federal budget cuts.
- 2.3.15 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Senior Report", 23 May 1995, 2 pages, re: report on first four months of 1995; plus list of "Senior Advisory Council" members [Note: Merlin Kennedy is a member].
- 2.3.16 Agenda (typewritten; photocopy), "Advisory Council Agenda", 23 May 1995, 1 page.
- 2.3.17 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Prairie State Legal Services, Inc." letterhead), from Jack Porter [John R. Porter, Jr.], Managing Attorney, Bloomington, Illinois, to Donald W. Wilcox, Jr., Thomson & Weintraub, Bloomington, Illinois, 22 May 1995, 1 pages, re: Bloomington office of Prairie State faces loss of \$45,000 in Federal funding; writing to you in your capacity as chair of the Legal Aid Committee of the McLean County Bar Association.
- 2.3.18 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Some Information Regarding The Defunding Proposals and Arguments in Support of Legal Services", undated, 1 pages.
- 2.3.19 Newspaper Clipping (photocopy), "Pro bono work does have rewards", The Pantagraph, by Karen Moewe, undated, 1 page, re: State Farm Attorney Alan Sternberg gets Harry A. Blackman Pro Bono Publico Award for outstanding pro bono services.
- 2.3.20 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Prairie State Legal Service's Bloomington Office Senior Advisory Council By-Laws", undated, 2 pages.
- 2.3.21 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Bloomington Advisory Council", undated, 1 page, re: list of names for Classes of 1994-1996.

**Folder 4: YWCA/YMCA**

- 2.4.1 Document (typewritten), "Midland III, A Project of the Bloomington-Normal YMCA", Summer 1969, 16 pages, re: study of racial conditions and social isolation.

- 2.4.2 Document (typewritten; pink paper), "Training The Auditing Team, YWCA Action Audit for Change, Suggested Guideline", January 1971, 29 pages, re: "One Imperative: the elimination of racism wherever it exists and by any means necessary".
- 2.4.3 Booklet (typewritten; photocopy), "Many Means Are Necessary! Guide to Study and Worship for the One Imperative", Prepared for The Office of Racial Justice, National Board, YWCA, New York, New York, undated, 14 pages.
- 2.4.4 Envelope (11" x 14"), from Young Women's Christian Association of the United States of America, New York, New York, re: "One Imperative: Eliminate Racism".
- 2.4.5 Envelope (11" x 14"), from YWCA Packet, One Imperative, Eliminate Racism.
- 2.4.6 Envelope (11" x 14"), from YWCA Action Audit for Change, re: "Basic Materials and Guidelines for the Audit".
- 2.4.7 Envelope (11" x 14"); pink, from YWCA Action Audit for Change, re: "Training Plans and Materials".
- 2.4.8 Envelope (11" x 14"); blue, from YWCA Action Audit for Change, re: "The I.Q. (Imperative Quotient) Test and Related Materials".

**Folder 5: MCEOC (McLean County Economic Opportunity Corporation)**

- 2.5.1 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "A Summary of a Demographic Analysis of Poverty in the State of Illinois", prepared for the Illinois Office of Economic Opportunity, Thomas C. Jackson, Administrative Director, February 1965, 6 pages, re: Statistics for Bloomington, Normal, and Mclean County.
- 2.5.2 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Eugene G. Moody, City Manager, Bloomington, Illinois, to Gorgon [sic: "Gordon"] Jaeger, Normal, Illinois, 12 November 1965, 2 pages, re: You were appointed Chairman of by-laws committee for the McLean County Economical [sic] Opportunity Corporation; enclosing draft of by-laws; Merlin Kennedy appointed to committee.
- 2.5.3 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Town of Normal" letterhead), from Gordon Jaeger, Administrator, Normal, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 18 November 1965, 1 page, re: enclosing copy of letter appointing you to by-laws committee; meeting will be November 23.
- 2.5.4 Newsletter (typewritten; photocopy), "McLean County Economic Opportunity Corporation", Volume 1, No. 2, 14 March 1970, 6 pages.
- 2.5.5 Newsletter (typewritten; photocopy), "McLean County Economic Opportunity Corporation", Volume 1, No. 3, 28 March 1970, 6 pages.
- 2.5.6 Newsletter (typewritten; photocopy), "McLean County Economic Opportunity Corporation", Volume 1, No. 4, 18 April 1970, 6 pages.
- 2.5.7 Minutes (typewritten; blue paper), "Minutes of The MCEOC Board Meeting", 17 October 1970, 1 page.
- 2.5.8 Document (typewritten; "mimeographed"), "Total Board is composed of 21 members...", undated, 1 page, re: list of Board Members and interests served.
- 2.5.9 Document (typewritten; photocopy and "mimeographed"), "Proposed By-Laws", undated, 9 pages (2 copies; one missing page 9).



## **Folder 6: Churches**

- 2.6.1 Newsletter (printed), "Delta Ministry Reports", Commission on the Delta Ministry, National Council of Churches, Greenville, Mississippi, April-May 1969, 4 pages.
- 2.6.2 Letter (typewritten), from Richard A. Lundy, Chairman, Department of Mission, Bloomington Presbytery, to Mr. Kennedy, undated, 1 page, re: "...appreciation of the Presbytery of Bloomington for your willingness to serve as a member of its committee for the Self-Development of People."
- 2.6.3 Note (handwritten), from John to Bill, undated, 2 pages, plus attachments, re: "folders" relating to local churches, plus a list of "Bloomington – Churches":
  - a. "Stack D", "Mt. Pisgah"
    1. Funeral Program for Arthur W. Moore, 29 October 1988, 4 pages.
    2. Sunday Morning Services Program, 24 October 1993, 24 pages.
    3. "Constitution and By-Laws of the Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church, 1 June 1973, 8 pages (plus pink cover).
    4. Obsequies of Roy Lee Mathews, 19 June 1986, 4 pages (blue paper).
    5. Sunday Order of Service, 28 September 2014, 4 pages.
  - b. "Stack E", "2nd Pres"
    1. Document (typewritten), "What Remains?", Easter Day Sermon by the Rev. Phillip D. Queen, undated, 5 pages.
    2. Document (typewritten), "Heaven, Now and Then", Sermon by the Rev. Philip D. Queen, 6 April 1975, 5 pages.
    3. Document (typewritten), "for Those Who Think Young", Sermon by the Rev. Philip D. Queen, 27 April 1975, 4 pages.
    4. Document (typewritten), "Winning Isn't Everything", Sermon by the Rev. Philip D. Queen, undated, 5 pages.
    5. Document (typewritten), "Three Signposts of our Faith", Sermon by the Rev. Philip D. Queen, 13 April 1975, 5 pages.
  - c. "Stack F", [Union Missionary Baptist Church]
    1. Funeral Program, Sister Loraine Johnson, 4 January 1994, 4 pages.
    2. Homegoing Services, Carrie Gaiter Blair, 5 October 2002, 4 pages.
- 2.6.4 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "Timelines – Gospel Fest", undated, 1 page, re: List of Action Dates.
- 2.6.5 Booklet (printed), "The Standard B. T. U. Constitution for the Churches of the National Baptist Convention of America", National Baptist Publishing Board, Nashville, Tennessee, undated, 16 pages.
- 2.6.6 Document (handwritten; lined notebook paper), "Phone" and "Pick-up", undated, 1 page, re: list of names.
- 2.6.7 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "Central Illinois Gospel Celebration Timelines", undated, 1 page, re: List of Action Dates.
- 2.6.8 Document (typewritten; handwritten inserts), "House Blessing Planning Details", undated, 1 page.
- 2.6.9 Newsletter (typewritten; photocopy), "The Word", The United Campus Christian Foundation, Campus Religious Center, Normal, Illinois, undated, 4 pages.
- 2.6.10 Document (handwritten; ½ page lined notebook paper), "Christmas List", undated, 2 pages, re: list of names.

**Folder 7: Habitat for Humanity**

- 2.7.1 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Family Nurture Committee”, October 1986, 2 pages, re: Responsibilities of Committee members.
- 2.7.2 Letter (handwritten; photocopy; “Habitat for Humanity of McLean County” letterhead), from Norma Ashbrook, to Nurture Folk, 30 May 1988, 1 page, re: Groundbreaking on June 2, and meeting on June 27; handwritten in margin: “Beulah, I know you won’t be at the groundbreaking....”.
- 2.7.3 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Nurture Bits and Pieces”, June 1988, 1 page, re: list of responsibilities for committee members.
- 2.7.4 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Habitat for Humanity Families and Nurture Committee”, June 1988, 1 page, re: list of families.
- 2.7.5 Letter (typewritten; gray paper; “Habitat For Humanity of McLean County” letterhead), from Phyllis Jacobssen for the Fund Raising Committee, Bloomington, Illinois, to Habitat Friend, 1 May 1991, 1 page (with envelope), re: Fundraising goal for this year is \$60,000.
- 2.7.6 Document (handwritten form; photocopy), “Habitat Work Sheet”, undated, 1 page, re: Form to record hours worked.
- 2.7.7 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Processing of Mortgage Payments”, undated, 1 page, re: Procedures for Mortgage Payments and Escrow Account Transactions.
- 2.7.8 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Floyd and Shirley McGill”, undated, 2 pages, re: information on McGill family.
- 2.7.9 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Board Members”, 1988-1989, 1 page, re: names and addresses of board members and other contacts.
- 2.7.10 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Covenant Between Habitat Buyer and Habitat For Humanity of McLean County”, undated, 1 page, re: list of requirements for buyer and representatives of Board of Habitat for Humanity.
- 2.7.11 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Family Nurture”, undated, 1 page, re: list of Family Nurture needs.
- 2.7.12 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Habitat Family Birthdays”, undated, 1 page.
- 2.7.13 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Family Selection Criteria”, undated, 1 page.
- 2.7.14 Brochure (printed; quadra-fold), “Habitat for Humanity of McLean County – Out Sixth Year”, undated, 1 page.

**Folder 8: Keeping Families Together (Beulah)**

- 2.8.1 Document (typewritten), “Things That We Need to Negotiate with States Attorney and Judges”, 11 June 2000, 9 pages (plus business card for “Mason & Means, Substance Abuse”, Kansas City, Missouri), re: Information from Frank Suggs.
- 2.8.2 Folder (2 pocket; orange), “Keeping Families Together” label, containing the following documents:
  - a. Memo (typewritten), from Frank Suggs, to Gary and Kendra Muhammad, Beulah and Merlin Kennedy, Lionel Joyce, Jimella Suggs, Marsha F. Johnson–Thornton, Ralph Jones and Linda Foster, 2 March 2000, 3 pages, re: work session for families accused of child abuse and neglect at Wayman A.M.E. church.

- b. Memorandum (typewritten; "Women's Missionary Society, Fourth Episcopal District, African Methodist Episcopal Church," letterhead), from Dr. M. Joan Cousin, to Conference Branch Presidents, 1 May 2001, 1 page, re: Queen's Contest Update.
- c. Letter (typewritten), "Office of the Inspector General, Department of Children and Family Services" letterhead), from William Andersen, Intake Administrator, Chicago, Illinois, to Linda Foster, Bloomington, Illinois, 3 May 2000, 2 pages, re: enclosing "Request for Investigation" form.
- d. Envelope, (letter size), from Norma J. Gibbs, Carrier Mills, Illinois, to Beulah Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 22 May 2000, 2.
- e. Envelope, (letter size), from Keeping Families Together, Normal, Illinois, to Beulah Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, undated.
- f. Letter (typewritten: photocopy), from John H. Elliott, Legal Redress Committee [NAACP?], to Dr. Suggs, 30 May 2000, 2 pages, re: thank you for letter regarding CASA; list of Families that have called since WEEK's (TV 25) DCFS segment.
- g. Document (typewritten), "Keeping Families Together How To Get Started", 23 August 2000, 1 page, re: list of things to do.
- h. Document (typewritten; red ink), Keeping Families Together Where Are The People Located? You Are Not Alone", 23 August 2000, 1 page, re: "purged" list of family locations.
- i. Minutes (typewritten), "Joyce's Home KFT", 8 September 2000, 1 page.
- j. Agenda (typewritten), "Keeping Families Together Meeting", undated, 8 pages, re: Meeting to be held at Home of Beulah and Merlin Kennedy.
- k. Blank Form (printed), "Charge of Discrimination" from State of Illinois Department of Human Rights, undated, 2 pages.
- l. Document (typewritten), "Keeping Families Together Statement of Beliefs", undated, 1 page.
- m. Brochure (printed; bi-fold), "Bloomington-Normal Keeping Families Together", undated, 1 page, re: "This is a service organization....".
- n. Easter Greeting Card, undated, 1 card (with envelope), unused.

**Folder 9: Ruby Edward Women's Club (Beulah)**

- 2.9.1 Certificate (printed), "Illinois Association of Club Women and Girls, Inc., Dedicated Clubwoman Award" presented to Mrs. Beulah Kennedy, 19 June 1989, 1 page.
- 2.9.2 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "By-Laws Standing Rules of the Central District Association Club Women", Revised 1997, 8 pages.
- 2.9.3 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Constitution and By-Laws of the Ruby Edwards Women's Club Bloomington, Illinois", 28 November 2000, 13 pages.
- 2.9.4 Letter (typewritten), from [?], to Beulah Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 5 December 2000, 2 pages, re: Dues needed; list of members; Club wants to be "fully active" with National Association of Colored Women, Inc., Illinois Association of Colored Women, Inc., and Central District Association of Colored Women, Inc. for 2001.
- 2.9.5 Minutes (typewritten), Ruby Edwards Club, 12 December 2000, 1 page.

- 2.9.6 Letter (typewritten), from Renee A. Ruffin-Brewer, to Earlene Mosby, Quincy, Illinois, 18 December 2000, 1 page, re: information provided to Central District, State and National Association of Colored Women, Inc. Organizations.
- 2.9.7 Letter (typewritten), from Renee A. Ruffin-Brewer, to Marion Pierson, Decatur, Illinois, 18 December 2000, 1 page, re: information request.
- 2.9.8 Minutes (typewritten), Ruby Edwards Club, 9 January 2001, 1 page.
- 2.9.9 Letter (typewritten), from Evelyn Kendrick, Normal, Illinois, to Beulah Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 9 January 2001, 1 page, re: "... you are no longer a member of the Civic Woman's Club."; also, "We are still holding you accountable for the \$100 of the Girl's Club money."
- 2.9.10 Letter (typewritten), from Beulah Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, to Evelyn Kendrick, Normal, Illinois, 11 January 2001, 1 page, re: membership did not expire on December 2; \$100 was given to Renee.
- 2.9.11 Document (typewritten), "Ruby Edwards Women Club Meeting Schedule", 9 January 2001. 1 page.
- 2.9.12 Letter (typewritten; "Central Region Association of Colored Women's and Youth Clubs, Inc." letterhead), from Jackie German, Financial Secretary, East Chicago, Indiana, to Federated Sisters, 4 January 2001, 3 pages, re: 38th Biennial Central Region Convention will be in Merrillville, Indiana from July 21-25, 2001; Annual Per Capita Tax.
- 2.9.13 Minutes (typewritten), Ruby Edwards Women's Club, 13 February 2001, 1 page.
- 2.9.14 Minutes (typewritten), Ruby Edwards Women's Club, 13 February 2001, 3 pages (including membership list and Treasurer Report).
- 2.9.15 Letter (typewritten; "Central District Illinois Association of Club Women and Youth, Incorporated" letterhead), from Martha Hunter, Executive Board Chairperson, and Marian Pierson, President, Decatur, Illinois, to Presidents, Past President, Pioneers, Officers and Club Sisters, 15 March 2001, 1 page, re: Official Call Letter to the Annual Meeting on April 21.
- 2.9.16 Memo (typewritten; "Central Region Association of Colored Women's Club and Youth Clubs, Inc." letterhead), from Eva Williams, President, East Chicago, Indiana, to State Presidents, 23 March 2001, 2 pages, re: Central Region 38th Biennial and 75th Diamond Anniversary Convention.
- 2.9.17 Letter (typewritten; "Central District Illinois Association of Club Women and Youth, Incorporated" letterhead), from Marian Pierson, President, Decatur, Illinois, to Renee Ruffin-Brewer, Bloomington, Illinois, 26 March 2001, 1 page, re; did not know of new club; now enclosing copy Central District Obligations.
- 2.9.18 Letter (typewritten), form Renee A. Ruffin-Brewer, Bloomington, Illinois, to Club Ladies, 6 April 2001, meeting on April 10; need to pay club obligations to Central District.
- 2.9.19 Minutes (typewritten), Ruby Edwards Women Club, 10 April 2001, 1 page.
- 2.9.20 Letter (typewritten; "Illinois Association of Club Women" letterhead), from Margaret Lewis, President, Quincy, Illinois, to From the Presidents Pen, 27 April 2001, 1 page, re: "comply with all deadlines".
- 2.9.21 Letter (typewritten; "Illinois Association of Club Women" letterhead) from Margaret Lewis, Quincy, Illinois, to Members of Executive Board, Past Presidents, Club Presidents, Members and Chairpersons, 27 April 2001, 1 page, re: "official call letter" to

- the 102nd Annual Convention at the Holiday Inn; Map of Bloomington, Illinois on reverse.
- 2.9.22 Memo (typewritten; "Central Region Association of Colored Women's and Youth Clubs, Inc." letterhead), from Jackie German, Chairperson, East Chicago, Indiana, to Federated Sisters, 4 May 2001, 1 page, re: "Last Change the get your add in the Central Region souvenir book."
- 2.9.23 Document (typewritten), "Play Day Fund Raiser", 2 June 2001, 1 page, re: flyer advertising event.
- 2.9.24 Memorandum (typewritten), from Sis. Eva Williams-Williams, President, to Club Sisters, 20 July 2001, 16 pages, re: enclosing copies of correspondence sent previously about July Convention.
- 2.9.25 Letter (typewritten; "Central District Illinois Association of Club Women and Youth, Incorporated" letterhead), from Martha Hunter, Executive Board Chairperson, and Marian Pierson, President, Decatur, Illinois, to Members of Executive Board, Past Presidents, Pioneers, Club Presidents, and Members, 22 August 2001, 1 page, re: "official call letter to the Annual Board Meeting" on September 29.
- 2.9.26 Letter (typewritten; "Eastland Suites" letterhead), from Matthew K. Johnson, Director of Catering, Bloomington, Illinois, to Central IL Association of Colored Women, Renee Ruffin-Brewer/ Beulah Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 28 August 2001, 3 pages, re: meeting space available; proposed menu.
- 2.9.27 Program (printed; yellow cover), "Ruby Edwards Women Club of Bloomington, Illinois", 8 September 2001, 4 pages (plus cover), re: Fall Tea and Fashion Show, Wayman AME Church, Bloomington, Illinois.
- 2.9.28 Agenda (typewritten), Central District Illinois Association of Club Women and Youth, Inc., 29 September 2001, re: Executive Board Meeting.
- 2.9.29 Program (printed), "National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, Inc.", 3-9 August 2002, 20 pages, re: "Call to Convention", Birmingham, Alabama.
- 2.9.30 Document (photocopy), "God Will Take Care of You", undated, 1 page, re: sheet music to Hymn.
- 2.9.31 Document (typewritten), "Club Women's Prayer", undated, 2 pages.
- 2.9.32 Document (handwritten; blank paper), undated, 1 page, re: street address instructions to "5 Carraway".
- 2.9.33 Envelope, (letter size), from Renee A. Ruffin-Brewer, Bloomington, to Beulah Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, undated.
- 2.9.34 Document (typewritten), "Ruby Edwards Women's Club of Bloomington, Illinois", undated, 17 pages, re: information for club including Constitution and By-Laws.
- 2.9.35 Document (typewritten), "Season Greetings", undated, 1 page, re: Greeting from the President Margaret Lewis.

**Folder 10: Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity**

- 2.10.1 Documents (printed; photocopy), College Degree Lists for "Transportation and Traffic", 1987-1989, 7 pages, from:
- a. Lovejoy's College Guide, page 126.
  - b. Chronicle College Guide, pages 212-213, 321-322.
  - c. Peterson's, pages 133-134, 233.

- 2.10.2 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Tri Delta Foundation 1987 Scholarship Application", 1987, 2 pages.
- 2.10.3 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 8 April 1987, 2 pages.
- 2.10.4 Minutes (typewritten), "Delta Nu Alpha Scholarship Committee", 8 April 1987, 3 pages.
- 2.10.5 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 10 June 1987, 3 pages.
- 2.10.6 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 28 July, 2 pages.
- 2.10.7 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 9 September 1987, 2 pages.
- 2.10.8 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 21 October 1987, 1 page.
- 2.10.9 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 6 January 1988, 1 page.
- 2.10.10 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 9 March 1988, 1 page.
- 2.10.11 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "McLean County Chamber of Commerce Women's Division Scholarship Application", 14 March 1988, 2 pages (plus yellow memo from Mary Ann Webb, to Linda "I don't have a blank application so I'm sending a completed one."), re: Michelle L. Sunnen.
- 2.10.12 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 6 April 1988, 2 pages.
- 2.10.13 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 11 May 1988, 1 page.
- 2.10.14 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 8 June 1988, 1 page.
- 2.10.15 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 13 July [1988], 1 page.
- 2.10.16 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 3 August [1988], 1 page.
- 2.10.17 Agenda (typewritten), "Agenda", 3 August 1988, 2 pages, re: Agenda, and Dates for "DNA Meetings 1988-1989".
- 2.10.18 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 7 September [1988], 1 page.
- 2.10.19 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 5 October 1988, 1 page.
- 2.10.21 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Transportation Club of Bloomington, Illinois", 13 October 1988, 1 page, re: "Proposed Slate of Officers 1989".
- 2.10.22 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Bill Sloss, Scholarship and Awards Committee, Delta Nu Alpha, to David Bloomberg, College of Business, Marketing, Finance and Transportation, Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois, 2 November 1988, 2 pages, re: Requesting details for Bob Davis Scholarship, Handwritten note from David Bloomberg: "Enclosed is a check for Danielle."
- 2.10.23 Minutes (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 16 November [1988], 2 pages.

- 2.10.24 Minutes (typewritten), Delta Nu Alpha Scholarship Committee, 5 December 1988, 2 pages.
- 2.10.25 Minutes (typewritten), JKS [James Katschke Scholarship] Committee, 24 January 1989, 1 page.
- 2.10.26 Minutes (typewritten), JKS [James Katschke Scholarship] Fund Committee, 28 February 1989, 1 page.
- 2.10.27 Letter (typewritten; "Western Illinois University" letterhead), from Larry C. Mortier, Director of Development, Macomb, Illinois, to Linda Ash, Bloomington, Illinois, 6 March 1989, 2 pages, re: "Enclosed is a draft of the James Katschke Scholarship/Delta Nu Alpha Chapter 142....".
- 2.10.28 Document (handwritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 21 March 1989, 1 page (plus duplicate with "June '90" note), re: "Recommendations for James Katschke", by Linda Ash.
- 2.10.29 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "Guidelines Formulated James Katschke Scholarship Fund", undated, 2 pages.
- 2.10.30 Booklet (printed), "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity 1996 Membership Directory", 1996, 44 pages (plus cover).
- 2.10.31 Document (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), Meeting Notice for June 14, undated, 1 page.
- 2.10.32 Document (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc., Anton Herr Chapter No. 142, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), Meeting Notice for September 14, undated, 1 page.
- 2.10.33 Memo (typewritten), from L.M. Rife, Secretary MR3, to International Officers, Regional Officers, Chapter Officers and Guest of Delta Nu Alpha, undated, 2 pages, re: Meeting Notice for October 14; Agenda.
- 2.10.34 Flyer (printed; blue paper), "'Delta Nu Alpha [Chapter] Membership Application", Administrative Office, Willowbrook, Illinois, undated, 1 page, re: "An International Association of Transportation and Logistics Professionals".
- 2.10.35 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Guidance Center Bloomington High School, Scholarship Black Students", undated, 4 pages, re: list of resources for "financial assistance available specifically for college bound Black students".
- 2.10.36 Documents (typewritten; photocopy), Application Forms for Scholarships, undated, for:
- a. Women's Club of Bloomington, 1 page.
  - b. Bob J. Davis TPD, Western Illinois University, 1 page.
  - c. McLean County Chamber of Commerce Women's Division, 2 pages.
- 2.10.37 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "ByLaws", undated, 4 pages, re: Delta Nu Alpha Foundation; funds will be disbursed for scholarships.
- 2.10.38 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Vice President(s)", undated, 1 page, re: Duties and Responsibilities.
- 2.10.39 Document (typewritten; "Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Inc." letterhead), "Parliamentary Procedure", undated, 4 pages.
- 2.10.40 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "WIU" meeting notes, undated, 1 page.

- 2.10.41 Document (mailing envelope; “The Johnson Transfer & Fuel Company” printed return address), undated, re: “Must have pass by Sat. Thanks Linda”; notes on financial resources.
- 2.10.42 Newspaper Clipping, “Women’s group scholarships set”, undated, re: Scholarships offered by the Corn Belt Chapter of the America Business Women’s Association.
- 2.10.43 Newspaper Clipping, “Northwestern University James F. Bishop Scholarship Fund”, undated, re: Graduates of LeRoy High School, LeRoy, Illinois.
- 2.10.44 Document (handwritten; photocopy), undated, 1 page, re: Applicant Information.
- 2.10.45 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Administrative Guidelines for Delta Nu Alpha James Katschke Scholarship Fund”, undated, 1 page.

**Folder 11: Illinois State University: Community Advisory Council; Other Events**

- 2.11.1 Pamphlet (printed; 4” x 8.5”), “Extension Bulletin”, Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois, Summer 1968, 16 pages (plus cover), re: “Extension Classes Off-Campus and On-Campus summer Short Courses and Education Workshops”.
- 2.11.2 Program (printed; orange paper; bi-fold), “African Chop ‘Dinner’”, presented by the Governing Board of the Back Fine Arts Festival, 5 April 1970, 1 page, re: Guest of Honor: The Consul General of Liberia at Chicago, Honorable William H. Jones and Mrs. Jones.
- 2.11.3 Letter (typewritten; “Illinois State University, Dean of Undergraduate Instruction” Letterhead), from Stanley G. Rives, Bloomington-Normal, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 18 April 1975, 1 page, re: Educational Testing Service’s Institutional Goals Inventory; plus the following documents:
  - a. “Institutional Goals Inventory” (printed), 1972, 6 pages.
  - b. Return Envelope.
  - c. Original Mailing Envelope.
- 2.11.4 Minutes (typewritten), “Minutes of the Community Advisory Council Executive Committee” at Emerson School, 13 October 1975, 2 pages.
- 2.11.5 Minutes (typewritten), “Minutes of the Meeting of the ISU Community Advisory Council” at Emerson School, 28 October 1975, 1 page.
- 2.11.6 Document (typewritten), “Division of Continuing Education and Public Service, Staff Assignments”, 21 September 1976, 1 page.
- 2.11.7 Document (typewritten), “Community Advisory Council Illinois State University Division of Continuing Education and Public Service”, 21 September 1976, 1 page, re: List of members and addresses.
- 2.11.8 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Hal Crouse, Dean, to Community Advisory Council, 14 October 1976, 1 page, re: Meeting on October 19.
- 2.11.9 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Maxine Zook, Chairman, Community Advisory Council, to Dr. Lloyd I. Watkins, President, Dr. Ira Cohen, Chairperson, Academic Senate, and Dr. Harold D. Crouse, Dean, all at Illinois State University, 24 May 1978, 4 pages (with envelope), re: “Second Draft”; “The purpose of this letter is to report to your our feelings about the [Community Advisory] Council...”; along with the following: Abstract, “How Universities Evaluate Faculty Performance, A survey of Department Heads” (GREB No. 75-5bR), 1977, 9 pages.
- 2.11.10 Pamphlet (printed; gray paper; “five” fold), “State of the University Address”, by President Lloyd I. Watkins, 13 November 1980.



- 2.11.11 Letter (typewritten; "Illinois State University Minority Student Services" letterhead), from Diane H. Anderson, Coordinator, Normal-Bloomington, Illinois, to Parents, 9 December 1986, 2 pages, re: enclosing "'Alert'": "...a brochure which earmarks potential warning signs that a student may withdraw from the University."
- 2.11.12 Program (printed; green paper; bi-fold), "Pieces of a Dream; The 5th Annual Black Heritage Ball & Fashion Show", Bone Student Center, 25 February 1989.
- 2.11.13 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Women of Distinction" letterhead), from Carol Carey-Odekirk, Steering Committee Chair, and Liz Melton, Committee Member, to Jon Thetard, First Federal Savings & Loan Association, Bloomington, Illinois
- 2.11.14 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Employer Advantages", undated, 8 pages (1st page missing), re: Description of Co-op Student Program.

**Folder 12: MAPP (Minority and Police Partnership)**

- 2.12.1 Memo (handwritten; photocopy), from Bonnie Wick and Larry LeFebvre, to Allerton-Police/Community Participants, 9 April 1969, 1 page, re: "...need and/or desire to have some kind of get together with 'our groups'."
- 2.12.2 Document (typewritten), "MAPP", June 2001, 1 page, re: "The Minority and Police Partnership was formed in June, 2001 as a result of meetings between the local NAACP leadership and police administrators...."
- 2.12.3 Minutes (typewritten), "MAPP Meeting Minutes", submitted by Barbara J. Adkins, 2 April 2002, 2 pages.
- 2.12.4 Agenda (typewritten; orange paper), "MAPP Agenda Normal Police Department", 7 May 2002. 1 page.
- 2.12.5 Minutes (typewritten), "MAPP", 7 May 2002, submitted by Barbara J. Adkins, 7 May 2002, 9 pages, re: Minutes plus "MAPP Membership List".
- 2.12.6 Agenda (typewritten), "MAPP Agenda Bloomington Police Department", 4 June 2002. 1 page.
- 2.12.7 Minutes (typewritten), "MAPP", 4 June 2002, submitted by Barbara J. Adkins, 4 June 2002, 6 pages.
- 2.12.8 Agenda (typewritten; mauve paper), "MAPP Agenda Bloomington Police Department", 2 July 2002. 1 page.
- 2.12.9 Minutes (typewritten), "MAPP", 4 June 2002, submitted by Barbara J. Adkins, 2 July 2002, 4 pages.
- 2.12.10 Agenda (typewritten; orange paper), "MAPP Agenda Normal Police Department", 6 August 2002. 1 page.
- 2.12.11 Minutes (typewritten), "MAPP", 6 August 2002, submitted by Barbara J. Adkins, 6 August 2002, 4 pages.
- 2.12.12 Document (typewritten), "MAPP Goals", 6 August 2002, 2 pages.
- 2.12.13 Email (photocopy), from Barb Adkins/Cityblm, to [Mapp Members], 22 August 2002, 5 pages, re: meeting moved to September 10; Police Chiefs have agreed to meet with the Presidents of Black Fraternities and Sororities.
- 2.12.14 Agenda (typewritten; blue paper), "MAPP Agenda Bloomington City Hall", 10 September 2002. 1 page.

- 2.12.15 Press Release (typewritten), "Immediate Press Release", 25 September 2002, 5 pages, re: Conference entitled "Bias, Bigotry, and Hate in the New Millennium" sponsored by the Diversity Project and Minority and Police Partnership on November 8.
- 2.12.16 Agenda (typewritten; blue paper), "MAPP Agenda Bloomington Police Department", 1 October 2002, 1 page.
- 2.12.17 Agenda (typewritten), "MAPP Agenda Bloomington Police Department", 5 November 2002, 1 page.
- 2.12.18 Program Flyer (printed; bi-fold), "The Diversity Project and MAPP... Presents a Full Day Conference", 8 November 2002, 1 page, re: Holiday Inn, Normal, Illinois.
- 2.12.19 Program (printed), "The Diversity Project and MAPP... Presents a Full Day Conference", 8 November 2002, 2 pages plus cover (and 5 inserted pages), re: Includes Biographies for: Margaret LaPorte, Dr. Robert J. Van Der Velde and Greg A. Hug.
- 2.12.20 Document (typewritten; mauve paper), "MAPP Meeting Dates and Locations", 2003, 1 page.
- 2.12.21 Document (typewritten), "Minority and Police Partnership", undated, 1 page, re: "If you are stopped by the Police....".
- 2.12.22 Document (typewritten; mauve paper), "Diversity Project of McLean County", undated, 1 page, re: "Vicksburg Itinerary"
- 2.12.23 Document (typewritten), "MAPP Proposed Goals", undated, 3 pages.
- 2.12.24 Pamphlet (printed; tri-fold), "MAPP Minority and Police Partnership, Building Lasting Relations Through Honest Dialogue", undated.
- 2.12.25 Document (typewritten), "Working with People from Diverse Backgrounds, Some Tips for Relating", by Carmen Colin & Diane Johns, undated, 3 pages, re: "Diversity Awareness Inventory".

**Folder 13: Minority Advocacy Council**

- 2.13.1 Pamphlet (printed; gray paper; tri-fold), Minority Advocacy Council, July 2001, 1 page (two versions), re: "Promoting and enriching community harmony".
- 2.13.2 Document (handwritten; photocopy), MAC Membership, May 2002, 1 page (plus two small notes, re: "John & Jack Porter"; "Public Defen"), re: list of members with addresses.
- 2.13.3 Document (typewritten), "NAACP & MAC Partner on Law Enforcement Complaints", 16 May 2002, 1 page, re: Mike Williams for WJBC's Forum.
- 2.13.4 Agenda (typewritten), "Minority Advocacy Council", 28 May 2002, 1 page.
- 2.13.5 Document (handwritten; photocopy), [Untitled], 28 May 2002, 1 page, re: List of Attendees.
- 2.13.6 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "June 6, 2002 at Jumer's Chateau", 6 June 2002, 1 page, re: meeting notes.
- 2.13.7 Document (typewritten), "Building On Our Strengths: Diversity Development Conference", Between March and June 2003, 1 page, re: Proposed Conference: Contact Sharon Mills, Applied Social Research Unit, Illinois State University.
- 2.13.8 Document (typewritten), "MAC Minority Advocacy Council", 2003-2004, 1 page, re: Officer List, Executive Committee.
- 2.13.9 Document (handwritten; yellow paper; photocopy), "Do you feel you have been mistreated by the Police?", undated, 2 pages, re: draft of tri-fold pamphlet for MAC.

- 2.13.10 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "MICAP Purpose", undated, 1 page.
- 2.13.11 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "You are invited to attend a Press Conference", undated (May 3), re: "... New Service being offered to assist minorities in the process of making complaints about police."
- 2.13.12 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "The Minority Advocacy Council created a Sub-Committee", undated, 1 page, re: Notes on new Sub-Committee.
- 2.13.13 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "Interview Form", undated, 4 pages, re: MICAP intake complaint form

**Folder 14 [Unused]**

**Folder 15 Vocational Education**

- 2.15.1 Brochure (Printed; spiral-bound), "A Proposal to Establish an Area Vocational Center at the Bloomington High School, School District 87, Bloomington, Illinois, September 1967, 29 pages (plus cover).
- 2.15.2 Document (typewritten), "Vocational Trade and Industrial Class Enrollment", 1967-1968, 1 page, re: Evening Classes List.
- 2.15.3 Document (typewritten), "Curriculum For Machine Tool Technology Apprentice", 1967-1968, 1 page, re: List of Course Requirements.
- 2.15.4 Brochure (printed; bi-fold) "Are you interested in learning an Occupational Skill?", The Vocational Center, Bloomington, Illinois, undated, 1 page.

**Folder 16: State Farm Insurance Companies: Marvinell Brown**

- 2.16.1 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "State Farm Insurance Companies" letterhead), from Herman H. Harding, CPCU, Assistant Vice President – Personnel, Bloomington, Illinois, to Marvinell Brown, Bloomington, Illinois, 9 May 1977, 1 page, re: "... requesting your resignation effective May 13, 1977."
- 2.6.2 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Documentation of my Experience at the State Farm Fire and Casualty Company", by Marvinell Brown, 9 May 1977, 26 pages (plus handwritten photocopy of page 9).

**Folder 17: City of Bloomington**

- 2.17.1 Pamphlet (printed; quadra-fold), "John M. Scott Health Resources Center", 1 May 1987.
- 2.17.2 Program (printed), "Cultural Fest, Inc.", Surge, Volume II, #1, August 1990, 20 pages (plus Blue cover), re: "Theme: Ain't No Stoppin' Us Now".
- 2.17.3 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Cultural – Fest - Inc." letterhead), from The Cultural Fest Committee, to Friends, 1 September 1990, 1 page, re: "... thank you for your special contribution to the 1990 Cultural Fest/Gospel Fest."
- 2.17.4 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Herman Dirks, City Manager, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 7 June 1991, 1 page, re: proposal relating to "... your curb and sidewalk situation....".
- 2.17.5 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Public Service Department, to Resident Recycler, June 2000, 3 pages, re: "...thank you for participating in the curbside recycle program."; along with instructions.

**Folder 18 The City of Bloomington vs. Mabel Lean Scott (79 OV 271)**

- 2.18.1 Document (printed form; handwritten entries), "Existing Housing Inspection, Department of Urban Development, Bloomington, Illinois", 17 July 1978, 2 pages, re: inspection report on house owned by Mabel Scott located at 1207 W. Oakland.
- 2.18.2 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Connie Griffen, Urban Development Officer, Bloomington, Illinois, to Mabel Scott, Los Angeles, California, 17 July 1978, 2 pages, re: "dwelling [located at 1207 W. Oakland] is unfit for human habitation....".
- 2.18.3 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Paxton Bowers, Assistant Corporation Counsel, [Bloomington, Illinois], to Sharon Watson, Finance Department, 26 September 1978, 1 page, re: enclosing "original and one copy of the Notice of Lien for the City's removal of garage and debris from the premises at 1207 W. Oakland Avenue."
- 2.18.4 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from William T. Hundman, to Thomas N. Jacob, Attorney at Law, Bloomington, Illinois, 5 November 1979, 1 page, re: "I will be representing Mrs. Scott in the above proceedings [Scott Complaint to Repair or Demolish - 79 OV 271]."
- 2.18.5 Document (typewritten; photocopy), Appearance: "In the Circuit Court Of The Eleventh Judicial Circuit McLean County, Illinois", 5 November 1979, 1 page, re: "I hereby enter my 0 in the above titled cause."
- 2.18.6 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from William T. Hundman, [Bloomington, Illinois] to Thomas N. Jacob, Attorney at Law, Bloomington, Illinois, 5 November 1979, 1 page, re: "I will be representing Mrs. Scott....".
- 2.18.7 Notice (typewritten; photocopy), "In the Circuit Court Of The Eleventh Judicial Circuit McLean County, Illinois", 14 December 1979, 1 page, re: Hearing on 23 January 1980 Pre-trial conference.
- 2.18.8 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Connie Griffen, Urban Development Officer, Bloomington, Illinois, to Larry Miller, R & R Enterprises, Bloomington Illinois, 29 April 1980, 1 page, re: "interest in acquiring the property at 1207 W. Oakland."
- 2.18.9 Notice (typewritten; photocopy), "In the Circuit Court Of The Eleventh Judicial Circuit McLean County, Illinois", 29 April 1980, 1 page, re: 27 May 1980 Pre-trial.
- 2.18.10 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from William T. Hundman, [Bloomington, Illinois], to Mabel Scott, Los Angeles, California, 6 June 1980, 1 page, re: Larry Miller is not going to purchase property.
- 2.18.11 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from William T. Hundman, [Bloomington, Illinois] to Mabel Scott, Los Angeles, California, 16 June 1980, 1 page, re: "If you are going to continue to litigate the matter, and go to trial, I will need at least \$750.00 for a retainer fee...."
- 2.18.12 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from William T. Hundman, [Bloomington, Illinois] to Mabel Scott, Los Angeles, California, 18 June 1980, 1 page, re: City is offering \$4000.00.
- 2.18.13 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from William T. Hundman, [Bloomington, Illinois] to Mabel Scott, Los Angeles, California, 14 July 1980, 1 page, re: "I need to know your response to said offer [of \$4000.00]....".
- 2.18.14 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Pat Wollenschlager, Real Estate Officer, Bloomington, Illinois, to William Hundman, Attorney at Law, Bloomington Illinois, 6 August 1980, 1 page, re: offer to purchase 1207 W. Oakland for \$4000.00.

- 2.18.15 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from William Hundman, Dunn, Brady, Goebel, Ulbrich, Morel, Kombrink & Hundman, Bloomington Illinois, to Mabel L. Scott, Los Angeles, California, 11 August 1980, 1 page, re: If interested in selling property please execute Agreement.
- 2.18.16 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Contract For Sale of Real Estate", 1 October 1980, 2 pages, re: sale of 1207 W. Oakland, Lot 122 in Citizens Addition to the City of Bloomington.
- 2.18.17 Petition For Condemnation (typewritten; photocopy), "State of Illinois, In the Circuit Court Of The Eleventh Judicial Circuit, County of McLean", 7 November 1980, 5 pages, re: NO. 80 ED 6.
- 2.18.18 Memo ("While You Were Away" form, handwritten entries), from Mabel Scott to Mike, 23 January 1981, 1 page, re: return call.
- 2.18.19 Summons In Condemnation (typewritten; photocopy), "In the Circuit Court Of The 11th Judicial Circuit, McLean County, Illinois", 15 December 1980, 1 page, re: NO. 80 ED 6.
- 2.18.20 Document (printed form; typewritten and handwritten entries), "Accounting Ledger", 4 December 1980, 1 page, re: "Received of Mabel, \$60.00" Client Mabel Scott.
- 2.18.21 Notice (typewritten; photocopy), "In the Circuit Court Of The Eleventh Judicial Circuit McLean County, Illinois", 11 December 1980, 2 pages, re: William Hundman Motion to Withdraw to be heard on 16 December 1980.
- 2.18.22 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Michael A. Barford, Attorney at Law, [Bloomington Illinois], to Mabel Scott, Bloomington, Illinois, 7 January 1981, 1 page, re: "Please contact this office.....".
- 2.18.23 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Thomas N. Jacob, Jacob, Goleash & Lovell, Attorneys At Law, Bloomington, Illinois, to Michael Barford, Attorney at Law, Bloomington, Illinois, 15 January 1981, 1 page, re: "Please give me a call....".
- 2.18.24 Memo ("While You Were Away" form, handwritten entries), from Mabel Scott to Mike, 23 January 1981, 1 page, re: when does she go to court
- 2.18.25 Notice (typewritten; photocopy), "In the Circuit Court Of The Eleventh Judicial Circuit McLean County, Illinois", 30 January 1981, 2 pages, re: Motion To Continue filed by new attorney for Mabel Scott, Michael A. Barford.
- 2.18.26 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Michael A. Barford, Attorney at Law, [Bloomington Illinois], to Mabel Scott, Bloomington, Illinois, 13 February 1981, 1 page, re: enclosing letter from Tom Jacob.
- 2.18.27 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Thomas N. Jacob, Jacob, Goleash & Lovell, Attorneys At Law, Bloomington, Illinois, to Michael Barford, Attorney at Law, Bloomington, Illinois, 16 April 1981, 1 page, re: enclosing copy of Notice.
- 2.18.28 Notice (typewritten; photocopy), "In the Circuit Court Of The Eleventh Judicial Circuit McLean County, Illinois", 16 April 1981, 1 page, re: 23 April 1981 Hearing on Repaid [sic, "repair"] or Demolish.
- 2.18.29 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Thomas N. Jacob, Jacob, Goleash & Lovell, Attorneys At Law, Bloomington, Illinois, to Michael A. Barford, Attorney at Law, Bloomington, Illinois, 16 April 1981, 1 page, re: enclosing Notice.
- 2.18.30 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Donald A. Clarahan, Legal Investigator, Bloomington, Illinois, to Michael B. Barford, [Bloomington, Illinois], 22 April 1981, 1 page, re: "series of 12 pictures was taken".

- 2.18.31 Notice (typewritten; photocopy), "State of Illinois, In the Circuit Court Of The Eleventh Judicial Circuit, County of McLean", 26 May 1981, 1 page, re: 28 May 1981 Hearing on Court Orders.
- 2.25.32 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Michael A. Barford, Attorney at Law, Bloomington Illinois, to Mabel Scott, Bloomington, Illinois, 16 June 1981, 1 page, re: enclosing information received from Mr. Jacob.
- 2.18.33 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Thomas N. Jacob, Jacob, Goleash & Lovell, Attorneys At Law, Bloomington, Illinois, to Michael A. Barford, Attorney at Law, Bloomington, Illinois, 16 June 1981, 1 page, re: setting hearing for demolition of the property for June 24.
- 2.18.34 Notice (typewritten; photocopy), "In the Circuit Court Of The Eleventh Judicial Circuit McLean County, Illinois", 17 June 1981, 1 page, re: June 24 Hearing on Demolition.
- 2.18.35 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Thomas N. Jacob, Jacob, Goleash & Lovell, Attorneys At Law, Bloomington, Illinois, to Michael A. Barford, Attorney at Law, Bloomington, Illinois, 7 July 1981, 1 page, re: enclosing copy of order submitted to Judge Johnson.
- 2.18.36 Document (printed form; typewritten entries), Note, 1 April 1983, 1 page, re: unsigned note for \$940.00 payable to Michael A. Barford by Mabel Lean Scott.
- 2.18.37 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Notification of the Basis for the Determination of Just Compensation", undated, 1 page, re: City offer to purchase property for \$4000.00.
- 2.18.38 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Article III, Unsafe or Abandoned Buildings Division 1 Demolition or Repair", undated, 2 pages, re: Building Code Definitions.
- 2.18.39 Notice (typewritten; photocopy), "In the Circuit Court Of The Eleventh Judicial Circuit McLean County", undated, 2 pages, re: Motion To Continue filed by William T. Hundman.
- 2.18.40 Notice (typewritten; photocopy), "In the Circuit Court Of The Eleventh Judicial Circuit McLean County", undated, 2 pages, re: Order to Demolish to be signed by Judge.
- 2.18.41 Document (typewritten; photocopy), Plaintiff Jury Instructions, undated, 17 pages, re: Jury Instructions along with a list of Jurors.
- 2.18.42 Document (handwritten; legal-size blank paper), Notes listing lawyers and information on litigation, undated, 1 page.
- 2.18.43 Document (handwritten: 3.5" x 5"), from Mabel L. Scott, undated, 1 page, re: "Mrs. Mabel Scott gives ...the NAACP permission to act on her behalf....".

**Folder 19      Wayman AME [African Methodist Episcopal] Church**

- 2.19.1 Document (printed), "Trustee Certificate A.M.E. Church" for Mrs. Ethel Jones, 22 January 1965, 1 page, re: elected President of the Social Action Club.
- 2.19.2 Document (cardboard stencil with cut-out lettering), "Chicken & Fish Dinners". 15 February 1969, re: Dinner at Wayman A.M.E. Church.
- 2.19.3 Letter (typewritten; "onion-skin" paper), from The Nora F. Fields Society, Mrs. Mildred Stratton, President (by Mrs. Isabel Patrick, Program Chairman), Springfield, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, President, Bloomington Branch of the NAACP, Bloomington, Illinois, 18 March 1969, 1 page, re: invitation to participate in the Nora F. Fields Annual Missionary Day, April 27, 1969, at Wayman A.M.E. Church.

- 2.19.4 Program (printed), "Souvenir Program 101st Session of the Illinois Annual Conference", 19-23 September 1972, 40 pages (plus cover), re: St. Peter's A.M.E. Church, Decatur, Illinois.
- 2.19.5 Program (printed), "Wayman A.M.E. Church Annual Women's Day", 9 September 1979, 20 pages (plus cover), re: "Christian Woman: Her Challenge in a Changing World".
- 2.19.6 Program (printed; bi-fold), Sunday Program, 23 June 1985, 4 pages.
- 2.19.7 Program (printed; bi-fold), Sunday Program, 8 September 1985, 4 pages.
- 2.19.8 Program (printed; bi-fold), Sunday Program, 13 October 1985, 4 pages.
- 2.19.9 Program (printed; bi-fold), Sunday Program, 10 November 1985, 5 pages.
- 2.19.10 Program (printed; bi-fold), Sunday Program, 8 June 1986, 4 pages.
- 2.19.11 Program (printed), "129th Anniversary and Homecoming", 1986, 50 pages (plus cover), re: St. Peter's A.M.E. Church, Decatur, Illinois.
- 2.19.12 Program (printed; bi-fold; gray paper), Sunday Program, 31 May 1987, 12 pages.
- 2.19.13 Program (printed), "Bicentennial of the A.M.E. Tradition", 1987, 50 pages (plus cover), re: St. Peter's A.M.E. Church, Decatur, Illinois.
- 2.19.14 Program (printed; bi-fold; gray paper), Sunday Program, 23 October 1988, 12 pages.
- 2.19.15 Program (printed; bi-fold), Sunday Program, 23 December 1990, 4 pages.
- 2.19.16 Documents relating to A.M.E.'s 150th Anniversary (in manila folder):
  - a. Program (printed), "1993 Sesquicentennial Directory of Wayman A.M.E. Church", [1993], 32 pages (plus cover), re: Congregational Directory.
  - b. Document (typewritten), "150th Anniversary Celebration", 13 March 1993, 2 pages, re: Meeting Minutes.
  - c. Letter (typewritten), from Orval S. Brown, Wayman AME Church, to Emily Bell, Floyd Bonds, John Goldrick, Shirley Gordon and Paul Welch, 15 March 1993, 1 page, re: "March 20, 1993 Planning Meeting Objectives (Sub-Committee)".
  - d. Document (handwritten), 20 March 1993, 2 pages.
  - e. Document (typewritten), "150th Anniversary Community Task Force", 27 March 1993, 7 pages, re: Objectives; Organizational Chart; Goals; Budget.
  - f. Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Shirley Jean Gordon, 13 April 1993, 1 page, re: Proposed letter from Orval Brown, Chairperson.
  - g. Memo (typewritten; photocopy; handwritten additions), from Shirley Jean Gordon, 13 April 1993, 1 page, re: Proposed letter from Orval Brown, Chairperson.
  - h. Document (typewritten), Agenda for CTF Meeting, 16 April 1993, 1 page. Report", 15 May 1993, 1 page.
  - j. Letter (typewritten; "Wayman A.M.E." letterhead), from Orval Brown, Chairperson, 150th Anniversary Committee, Bloomington, Illinois, to Friend of Wayman, 4 June 1993, 3 pages (plus envelope; and 2 drafts of letter), re: October Celebration; Contributor Form; Gospelfest Budget.
  - k. Document (typewritten), "Report From Gospelfest Sponsors Committee", 12 June 1993, 1 page.
  - l. Letter (typewritten' "Wayman A.M.E. Church" letterhead), from Orval Brown, Chairperson, 150th Anniversary Committee, to Group Representative, 30 June 1993, 1 page, re: requesting Corporate support for The Thompson Community Singers concert to be held at Braden Auditorium, on October 9, 1993.

- m. Document (handwritten; photocopy), Names and Addresses List of local companies, plus Letter Guidelines, undated, 5 pages.
  - n. Document (typewritten; photocopy; handwritten additions), "Sponsor Level", undated, 4 pages (2 versions), re: list of companies and contact name.
  - o. Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Names of Chairs & Committee Members", undated, 1 page, re: Blank Form.
  - p. Document (typewritten), "Organizational Chart 150th Anniversary Committee", undated, 2 pages.
  - q. Document (typewritten), "150th Anniversary Celebration October 6-10, 1993, Our Sesquicentennial Year", undated, 5 pages, re: Goals and Budget.
  - r. Document (typewritten), "Prayer – Pastor – Then Dinner", undated, re: Agenda.
  - s. Document (handwritten), "Corporate. Letter to John Coffey", undated, 1 page.
  - t. Document (handwritten), "Suggestions from Burt", undated, 1 page, re: list of potential sponsors.
  - u. Document (typewritten; handwritten additions), Wayman 150th Anniversary CTF Directory, undated, 1 page, re: list of names and contact information.
  - v. Document (handwritten), "Timetable", undated, 1 page, re Completion Dates.
  - w. Document (printed "While You Were Out" pink form), undated, 1 page, re: For Shirley from Orville [sic] Brown.
  - y. Document (handwritten; photocopy), "Central Illinois Gospel – Fest Budget", undated, 1 page.
  - z. Document (6" x 8.5" notepaper; "Elanco Animal Health" letterhead), "Things To Do", undated, 11 pages.
- 2.19.17 Document (typewritten; handwritten additions), "Illinois Conference Women's Missionary Society, 1999/2000 Convention", 4-5 September 2000, 1 page, re: Conference Information; St. Peters AME Church, Decatur, Illinois.
  - 2.19.18 Magazine (printed), "The Missionary Magazine, Vol. 47, No. 1, July-August 2001, published by Women's Missionary Society African Methodist Episcopal Church, Nashville, Tennessee, 38 pages.
  - 2.19.20 Program (printed; bi-fold), Sunday Program, 26 May 2002, 16 pages.
  - 2.19.21 Program (printed; bi-fold), Sunday Program, 9 June 2002, 16 pages.
  - 2.19.22 Letter (typewritten; "Wayman A.M.E. Church" letterhead), from The Wayman 159th Anniversary Committee, Bloomington, Illinois, to Wayman Members and Friends, 10 October 2002, 1 page (plus envelope), re: Celebration to held October 27.
  - 2.19.23 Document (typewritten; photocopy), List of Names, undated, 1 page.
  - 2.19.23 Document (typewritten; red paper), "Rev. & Mrs. Harvey Present Happy Birthday, Jesus Christ", undated, 1 page, re: invitation to Christmas Eve Service.
  - 2.19.24 Envelope (2.5 x 5"; tan color), "Wayman A.M.E. Church", Bloomington, Illinois, undated, re: Sealable Offering Envelope: "My Offering to God's Church".
  - 2.19.25 Document ("Wayman A.M.E. Church" letterhead), Blank Stationery, undated, 1 page.
  - 2.19.26 Document (typewritten), "Wayman AME Church Membership", undated, 1 page, re: list of names and addresses.

**Folder 20: Kwanza**

- 2.20.1 Document (printed; red paper), "Kwanzaa, A Celebration of Heritage", presented by Wayman AME Church, Bloomington, Illinois, undated, ½ page, re: Program.



- 2.20.2 Newspaper Clipping (photocopy), "Twin Cities celebrate Kwanzaa", [The Pantagraph?], undated, 1 page, re: Photograph of Merlin and Beulah Kennedy.

**Folder 21: Newspaper Clippings**

- 2.21.1 Newspaper Clipping, "Simon Hits Racial Barrier in Housing; Asks Support of Bill to End Discrimination", The Pantagraph, 10 March 1963, re: State Senator Paul Simon.
- 2.21.2 Newspaper Clipping "Write-in Vote Critical in Tuesday's Primary", The Pantagraph, 10 February 1967, re: Opinion Page Editorial.
- 2.21.3 Newspaper Clipping, "City Candidates Split On Open Housing", The Pantagraph, by Bill Adams, 20 March 1967, page 3, re: "1st of Series".
- 2.21.4 Newspaper Clipping (Pasted on Cardboard), "Hartenstein, Nordine Our Council
- 2.21.5 Newspaper Clipping, "City Candidates Like Planning in General", The Pantagraph, 31 March 1967, pages 1-4, re: "2nd of Series".
- 2.21.6 Newspaper Clipping, "City Candidates Talk Tax, Lake Financing", The Pantagraph, by Bill Adams, 1 April 1967, pages 3-4, re: "Last of Series".
- 2.21.7 Newspaper Clipping (photocopy), "Letter to the Editor; Race Discrimination Illegal", by Merlin Kennedy, The Pantagraph, 1 May 1968, re: Responding to Editorial, "Profitable Is Right Word", 23 April 1968.
- 2.21.8 Newspaper Clipping (Pasted on Cardboard), "Two To Seek City Posts", The Pantagraph, 9 December 1968, page B-6, re: Merlin Kennedy running for City Council.
- 2.21.9 Newspaper Clipping, "The Case for Critical Look at Public Office", The Pantagraph, 28 January 1969, re: Opinion Page Editorial: "The Issue – Are acts and omissions of local government a fair subject for critical comment?".
- 2.21.10 Newspaper Clipping, "Vote Feb. 8 on NAACP resolution", The Pantagraph, by Bill Wills, 19 January 1971, re: "11-point total integration resolution".
- 2.21.11 Newspaper Clipping, "City OK's integration policy", The Pantagraph, by Bill Wills, 23 March 1971.
- 2.21.12 Newspaper Clipping, "Job picture bright but what about future?", The Pantagraph, by Bill Wills, 16 November 1971, page A-2, re: "First of six".
- 2.21.13 Newspaper Clipping (sealed in Mylar), "Bloomington appoints first human relations coordinator", The Pantagraph, 14 June 1972, page A-3, re: Photo of Aaron A. Vessup, Richard Blodgett and Merlin Kennedy.
- 2.21.14 Newspaper Clipping, "A promise of greater sensitivity", The Pantagraph, 8 August 1972, re: Opinion Page Editorial: "The probe of 'racism' in Bloomington's fire and police departments is over....".
- 2.21.15 Newspaper Clipping, "Apprenticeship offers easy way to good job", The Pantagraph, by Sylvia Porter, 2 June 1977, page C-12.
- 2.21.16 Newspaper (printed), "District News of The Christian Spokesman", Vol. III, No. 5, Decatur, Illinois, February 1984, 24 pages, re: "Black History Edition".
- 2.21.17 Newspaper Clipping (photocopy; from email), "Jones left his mark on the city's journalism", Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, by Leonard Sykes, Jr., 23 May 2002, 3 pages, re: Walter Louis Jones, Sr.: "Tireless writer, editor shipped the content of 3 black newspapers"; born in Bloomington, Illinois.
- 2.21.18 Newspaper Clipping, "Beware of some so-called 'friends' of blacks", by Thomas Sowell, [The Pantagraph], undated.
- 2.21.19 Newspaper Clipping, "A public fleecing by Public Aid", [The Pantagraph], undated, re:

- 2.21.20 Newspaper Clipping, "A View of Election", [The Pantagraph], undated, re: Opinion Page Editorial.
- 2.21.21 Newspaper Clipping, "Kennedy Named to City Group", [The Pantagraph], undated, re: Merlin Kennedy to be member of Human Relations Council.
- 2.21.22 Newspaper Clipping, "Le Sharo 3 Vehicles in 1", [The Pantagraph], undated, re: Advertisement for Fourwinds, Maroa, Illinois.
- 2.21.23 Newspaper Clipping, "The N.A.A.C.P. presents Grand Ole Opry", [The Pantagraph], undated, re: Advertisement for concert at Scottish Rite Temple.
- 2.21.24 Newspaper Clipping, "You Can Earn Your Collee Degree at Home", [The Pantagraph], undated, re: Advertisement for Upper Iowa University.
- 2.21.25 Newspaper Clipping, "Meyer Products", [The Pantagraph], undated, re: Advertisement for Truck Equipment Co., Peoria, Illinois.
- 2.21.26 Newspaper Clipping, "Minority voters organize", [The Pantagraph], by Mark Spencer, undated, re: Minority Voters Coalition formed to register voters.
- 2.21.27 Newspaper Clipping, "In so many ways, white is beautiful", [The Pantagraph], by Connie Bradley, undated.
- 2.21.28 Newspaper Clipping, "Blacks gain in job market", [The Pantagraph], undated.
- 2.21.29 Newspaper Clipping, "18 applicants in contention for Bloomington council seat", [The Pantagraph], undated, re: Merlin Kennedy one of 18.
- 2.21.30 Newspaper Clipping, "City Council seat pulls 18 applicants", [The Pantagraph], undated, re: Merlin Kennedy one of 18.
- 2.21.31 Newspaper Clipping, "League of Women Voters sets special registration dates", [The Pantagraph], undated.
- 2.21.32 Newspaper Clipping, "Congressional map revised", [The Pantagraph], undated, re: State of Illinois map showing Congressional Districts.
- 2.21.33 Newspaper Clipping, "Fair Housing Bill Explained", The Pantagraph, undated, re: "Human Relations Council Hears Progress Report"; Photo of Forbes Shephard, Merlin Kennedy, and Ralph Smith.
- 2.21.34 Newspaper Clipping (photocopy), "Involvement, Human Unity Keys to Racial Accord - Panel", by Dick Swoboda, The Pantagraph, undated, re: "Awareness Day" Program at Central Catholic High School.
- 2.21.35 Newspaper Clipping (photocopy), YMCA Groundbreaking, The Pantagraph, undated, re: Photo of Groundbreaking Ceremony.

**Folder 22: Pamphlets and Brochures**

- 2.22.1 Pamphlet (printed), "Pointers for the Veteran Homeowner", Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C., May 1961, 28 pages (plus cover).
- 2.22.2 Pamphlet (printed), "Questions & Answers on Guaranteed and Direct Loan for Veterans", Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C., September 1961, 24 pages (including cover).
- 2.22.3 Pamphlet (printed), "To the Home-Buying Veteran", Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C., February 1962, 28 pages (plus cover).
- 2.22.4 Pamphlet (printed; blue paper), "Amendment to the Constitution of Illinois", Charles F. (Judicial Article).

- 2.22.5 Pamphlet (printed; green paper), "Civil Rights Under Federal Programs.", U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, Washington, D.C., January 1965, 16 pages (including cover).
- 2.22.6 Pamphlet (printed; tan paper), "Equal Opportunity In Hospitals and Health Facilities", U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, Washington, D.C., March 1965, 12 pages (including cover), re: Civil Rights Policies Under the Hill-Burton Program.
- 2.22.7 Pamphlet (printed; tan paper), "Florida Facts & Figures Everyone Uses", Trend House, Tampa, Florida, 1966 (Eighth edition, August 1970), 24 pages (plus cover).
- 2.22.8 Pamphlet (printed), "Integrated School Books", NAACP Special Contribution Fund, New York, New York, 1967, 56 (plus cover), re: "A Descriptive Bibliography of 399 Pre-School and Elementary School Texts and Story Books".
- 2.22.9 Pamphlet (printed), "Schools Can Be Desegregated", CCR Clearinghouse Publications, U.S. Commission On Civil Rights, Washington, D.C., June 1967, 16 pages (plus cover).
- 2.22.9 Pamphlet (printed), "Futures in the Federal Government", U.S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D.C., December 1967, 32 pages (plus cover), re: "Wide Variety of Jobs for College-Caliber Men and Women".
- 2.22.10 Pamphlet (printed), "Racism in America and How to Combat It", Clearinghouse Publications, The United States Commission On Civil Rights, Washington, D.C., January 1970 June 1967, 44 pages (plus cover).
- 2.22.11 Pamphlet (printed), "Policies For An Efficient And Adequate National Transportation System", Richard S. Blazer, Chairman of the Board, Ashland Oil, Ashland, Kentucky, 23 February 1971, 12 pages (plus cover), re: Speech presented at 69th Annual Convention of The American Road Builders' Association, Los Angeles, California.
- 2.22.12 Pamphlet (printed), "Your Housing Rights", U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C., 1973, 16 pages (including cover).
- 2.22.13 Brochure (printed) "Fair Housing U.S.A.", U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C., August 1974, 1 page.
- 2.22.14 Pamphlet (printed), "Amendments to the Constitution of Illinois That Will Be Submitted To the Voters", By Alan J. Dixon, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, 7 November 1978, 11 pages, re: Personal Property Tax and Veterans Organizations' Post Homes Exemption.
- 2.22.15 Brochure (printed), "Illinois Network for Displaced Homemakers", Sangamon State University, Springfield, Illinois, Winter 1983, 6 pages.
- 2.22.16 Brochure (printed), "Decatur Illinois", Chamber of Commerce, Decatur, Illinois, undated, re: "You'll Like Decatur... It's a Likeable Town".
- 2.22.17 Pamphlet (printed), "101 Tools for Tolerance", Tolerance.Org, Southern Poverty Law Center, Montgomery, Alabama, undated, 16 pages (plus cover), re: "Simple Ideas for Promoting Equity and Celebrating Diversity".
- 2.22.18 Brochure (printed; blue paper) "Buying On Time", Illinois Bar Foundation, Springfield, Illinois, undated, re: "Things to know before signing on the dotted line".
- 2.22.19 Pamphlet (printed), "Records and Books for Headstart Nursery-Kindergarten", Children's Music Center, Inc., Los Angeles, California, undated, 30 pages (plus cover).
- 2.22.20 Brochure (printed; gray paper; tri-fold) "Starting A Business", The Illinois State Bar Association, Springfield, Illinois, undated, 1 page.

- 2.22.21 Brochure (printed; tri-fold) "Professor KYOLIC clears the air on the most frequently asked question on Garlic", Wakunaga of America Co., Ltd., Mission Viejo, California, undated, 1 page.
- 2.22.22 Brochure (printed; tri-fold) "Bloomington-Normal ACT-SO", Sponsored by NAACP and Illinois State University, undated, 1 page (plus 2 page typewritten version), re: "The Olympics of the Mind".
- 2.22.23 Pamphlet (printed), "Handbook For Trial Jurors Serving in the United State District Courts", Administrative Office of the United States Courts, Washington, D.C., undated, 12 pages (plus cover).

**Folder 23: Photos**

- 2.23.1 Photograph (color), "Circle Lanes Bloomington, Ill. Eureka-Williams", 1975-1976, re: Merlin Kennedy with team members.
- 2.23.2 Photograph (color), "Circle Lanes Bloomington, Ill. Eureka", 1976-1977, re: Merlin Kennedy with team members.
- 2.23.3 Photograph (color), "Bloomington Pheasant Bowl Harlan's Pizza Rockettes League", 1986-1987, re: Beulah Kennedy with team members.
- 2.23.4 Photograph (black and white), "Home of Minor Myers, President Illinois Wesleyan University, E.D. Fund, Jr. and Arnold O. Beckman", 21 April 1991.
- 2.23.5 Photograph (color), Sister Lucile [?]", undated.
- 2.23.6 Photograph Album (cardboard cover), "Merry Christmas! From your Friends at the Town of Normal", undated, 20 photos, re: Merlin Kennedy dressed as Santa Claus.

**Folder 24: Miscellaneous**

- 2.24.1 Document (typewritten), "Job Descriptions", 7 April 1947, 9 pages (in brown paper folder), re: job descriptions for auto workers.
- 2.24.2 Document (typewritten: photocopy), "Urban Renewal Planning for Balanced Communities", by Edward T. Rutledge, and William R. Valentine, Winter 1960-61, 11 pages (plus blue paper cover), re: Reprint from The Journal of Intergroup Relations, Vol II, No. 1, (National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials).
- 2.24.3 Map (printed), Viet Nam, Cambodia, Laos and Eastern Thailand", January 1965, from The National Geographic Magazine.
- 2.24.4 Document (typewritten), "McLean County Mental Health Society 1965 Bell Ringer Campaign", 1965, 1 page, re: "District Leader's Instruction Sheet".
- 2.24.5 Magazine Article, "Clients Against Lawyers: A Guide to the real joys of legal practice" by David T. Bazelon, Harper's Magazine, September 1967, pps. 104-114.
- 2.24.6 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Thomas W. Marsh, Director of Housing Services, to All Parties Interested in Fair Housing, 2 August 1968, re: Jones v. Mayer [392 U.S. 409]; U.S. Supreme Court case holds that provision in 1866 statute prohibits discrimination based on race in the sale or leasing of all property.
- 2.24.7 Minutes (typewritten), "Minutes of Meeting on Minority Business Enterprise", submitted by Charles Morris, Secretary, 21 May 1969, 1 page.
- 2.24.8 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "American Civil Liberties Union: Questionnaire", November 1970, 14 pages (in mailing envelope from Ralph L. Smith, Radio-TV, Illinois

- State University, Normal, Illinois), re: "Survey Of Denial Of Access To The News Media".
- 2.24.9 Newsletter (typewritten; photocopy), "Delta Ministry Reports", by Delta Ministry, Greenville, Mississippi (Owen Brooks, Director), August 1972, 2 pages.
- 2.24.10 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Directory Of Community Services, McLean County", 1976, 20 pages, re: Thomas D. Wilson, Political Science Department, Illinois State University.
- 2.24.11 Document (printed; photocopy), "Standard Features On All 1976 Lincoln Continentals", 1976, 1 page.
- 2.24.12 Document (typewritten; photocopy), Wood Hill News, "Retirement", November 1977, 1 page, re: Poem
- 2.24.13 Document (printed), "Using Your Citizens Radio Station" from Federal Communications Commission, undated, 3 pages, 21 February 1978, re: Temporary Permit Class D Citizens Radio Station, completed by Merlin Kennedy.
- 2.24.14 Document (printed; photocopy), Census Form, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C., 1 April 1980, 5 pages (including front and back of envelope), re: Information for Kennedy Family.
- 2.24.15 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Merlin R. Kennedy, to Personnel Person, 4 April 1983, 1 page, re: "Miss [Barbara K.] Frisby is a person who learns and progresses very well."
- 2.24.16 Booklet (typewritten; photocopy), "Reflective Gems" by Luciel Berry for Church Woman United, 3 June 1983, 20 pages (plus red paper cover), re: Inspirational poems and quotations.
- 2.24.17 Document (handwritten; photocopy), Meeting Notes, 16 June 1983, 4 pages, re: "Prayer – Deacon Barnes for unity".
- 2.24.18 Calendar (printed; spiral bound), "Bloomington Federal's 1984 Central Illinois Pictorial Calendar, 1984, 14 pages.
- 2.24.19 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Sharon and Jim Walker, BJHS [Bloomington Junior High School] PTA Co-Presidents, August 1985, 1 page (plus \$2 dues remittance envelope), re: Welcome.
- 2.24.20 Document (typewritten; photocopy; pink paper), "You, Your Friends, Relatives and Neighbors are Invited to a Tea", sponsored by the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, 4 May 1986, 1 page, re: The Social History of African-Americans in Bloomington, at the Community Room Woodhill Towers.
- 2.24.21 Program (typewritten; photocopy; green paper), "Eugene Field School Holiday Music Program", 7 December 1987, 1 page.
- 2.24.22 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from William R. O'Neal, Principal, Bloomington High School, Bloomington, Illinois, 13 April 1988, 1 page, re: letter of recommendation for Jantel Thornton.
- 2.24.23 Letter (typewritten; "Admission Certificate Tennessee State University" Letterhead), from James A. Eilzy, Dean, Admissions and Records, Nashville, Tennessee, to Jantel Thornton, Bloomington, Illinois, 5 January 1988, 1 page, re: Admission as Freshman, Pre-Accounting, Tentative Admission pending graduation from high school.
- 2.24.24 Document (printed; photocopy), "AIDS Facts for Life" Illinois Map, 29 February 1988, 1 page, re: Map showing AIDS cases from Illinois Department of Public Health.

- 2.24.25 Letter (typewritten; "Illinois State University, College of Fine Arts, Department of Music" letterhead), from Frank Suggs, Associate Professor of Music, Normal-Bloomington, Illinois, to Choir Member, 5 January 1989, 2 pages, re: invitation to annual Birmingham "A Sing Out for World Peace" at Bone Student Center.
- 2.24.26 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Law Offices of Reddy, Begley & Martin" letterhead), from Harry C. Martin, Counsel for Twin Cities Broadcasting Corp., Washington, D.C., to Donna R. Searcy, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C., 10 January 1990, 26 pages, re: Amendment to FCC Form 396, "which corrects data concerning job hires and minority referrals [sic].".
- 2.24.27 Flyer (printed), "Atlanta, Georgia Chartered Bus Trip", 18 January 1990, 1 page, re: Trip sponsored by The Central Illinois Civil Rights Council, leaving from Pontiac.
- 2.24.28 Letter (typewritten; "David E. Honig Attorney At Law" letterhead), from "DH", Miami, Florida, to Colleagues, 18 April 1990, 1 page, re: "Enclosed are various material related to your FCC cases....".
- 2.24.29 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Hill Construction Co., Towanda, Il" letterhead), unsigned form letter, 29 January 1991 (handwritten), 1 page, re: Letter to be executed by neighbor east of Kennedy home at 601 E. Oakland; stating: "I have no objection to the construction of the proposed addition....".
- 2.24.30 Letter (typewritten; "Illinois State University" letterhead), from Marlyn C. Lawrence, Conference Coordinator, Normal-Bloomington, Illinois, to Friends, 31 January 1991, 1 page (plus 4 page Conference Flyer: "The Future of Work and Education In Illinois"), re: Information on Conference to be held at Jumer's Hotel in Bloomington on March 21 & 22.
- 2.24.31 Newsletter (typewritten), "Bulletin", John H. Kraus VFW Post 454, Frank McReynolds – Commander, October 1991, 1 page (legal size paper).
- 2.24.32 Program (printed; 6" x 8" bi-fold), "50th Wedding Celebration Honoring Mel & Velma Williams", Robinson Hotel, Bloomington, Illinois, 29 March 1997.
- 2.24.33 Newsletter (typewritten), "Bulletin", John H. Kraus VFW Post #454, Curtis Hawk – Commander, June 1998, 1 page (legal size paper).
- 2.24.34 Newspaper (printed), "Verdicts & Settlements", 29 August 2001, 8 pages, re: Article about L. Therese White, entitled: "Layers of Listening", by Tom Morgan.
- 2.24.35 Document (printed), "Kick-off and Town Meeting 'Realizing Our Potential'", August 2002, 20 pages, re: Summary Report from Mclean County Urban League, Bloomington, Illinois, produced by Applied Social Research Unit, Illinois State University.
- 2.24.36 Document (printed), "Town of Normal Listing of Boards & Commissions", 8 May 2002, 15 pages (page 15 missing).
- 2.24.37 Document (printed; bi-fold), Program for "Bloomington-Normal 15th Homecoming Reunion 2002 Remembering – 911", 9-10 August 2002, 4 pages, re: Dance at PNuts Catering & Banquet; Picnic at Miller Park; Elks Club After Picnic.
- 2.24.38 Document (typewritten; "J.D. Byrider Sales" letterhead), "Now Open in Bloomington" advertisement letter, 17 June 2005, 1 page (plus envelope).
- 2.24.39 Document (printed; handwritten entries), "State of Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, Written Confirmation of Suspected Child Abuse/Neglect Report; Mandated Reporters", 10 September 2005, 1 page, re: From bus driver Cindy Elkin about Joni Scritlow.

- 2.24.40 Newsletter (typewritten), "Greetings to all", The American Legion Carl S. Martin Post No. 635, Jim Nagel – Commander, 22 September 2011, 1 page (legal size paper).
- 2.24.41 Postcard (printed), "5th Annual Health \* & Wellness Event", Hosted by The Central Illinois Chapter of the Links, Incorporated and 100 Black Men of Central Illinois, 26 October 2013, re: The Doubletree, Bloomington, Illinois.
- 2.24.42 Program (typewritten), "African American Forum and Black Business Alliance Presents 12th Annual Juneteenth Celebration", 20 June 2015, 1 page.
- 2.24.43 Letter (typewritten; "BroMenn Healthcare" letterhead), from Ellen Miller MacCannell, Hospice Bereavement Coordinator, Bloomington, Illinois, to Friend, undated, 2 pages, re: "Your greatest tribute to the one you lost can be in how you choose to live your life after the loss."
- 2.24.44 Document (typewritten; photocopy), Business Card Advertisement page (10 cards), undated, 1 page.
- 2.24.45 Document (handwritten; 5" X 8" notepaper), "Find a Different Way to Motivate the Community.", undated, 1 page, re: "Arousing the interest of more minorities in community".
- 2.24.46 Document (typewritten), "Possible Issues in 1969 Bloomington Illinois", undated, 1 pages, re: list of issues such as "Be open to future merger with Normal" and "Make the Human Relations Commission a potent force".
- 2.24.47 Document (typewritten), "Synopsis", undated, 3 pages, re: The myths that perpetuate prejudice against black people in our society....".
- 2.24.48 Document (typewritten; photocopy; legal size paper; handwritten entries), "In the United Stated District Court Central District of Illinois Springfield Division" Questionnaire, undated, 1 page, re: Petit Juror Exit Questions pertaining to jury service.
- 2.24.49 Pamphlet (printed; bi-fold), "Roland W. Burris U.S. Senator", undated, 1 page, re: Illinois Comptroller Roland W. Burris announces he will be a candidate. ...".
- 2.24 50 Letter (typewritten), from John F. Penn, Chair, McLean County Democratic Party, Bloomington, Illinois, to Fellow Democrats, undated, 1 page, re: No meeting in January; asking Paul Simon to help launch "Stevenson Club".
- 2.24.51 Brochure (printed), "Paralegals – Do you know how to handle your 3 worst enemies?", from James Publishing Group, Santa Ana, California, undated, 8 pages, re: Advertisement for subscription to "Legal Assistant Today".
- 2.24 52 Document (typewritten), "Miscellaneous Information" from Tiara Dance Studio and Reception Facility, undated, 1 page, re: "You are enrolled for the first found lessons....".
- 2.24.53 Document (typewritten), "Annual Holiday Party", undated, 1 page, re: Party at The Outlook, Shirley, Illinois.
- 2.24.54 Document (typewritten), Open letter to "Mr. Zenith", undated, 1 page (plus extra copy with date), re: "After hearing the news of 9-27-1977 of Zenith laying off one fourth of its workers and taking their jobs to Taiwan and Mexico. We have purchased our last Zenith product."
- 2.24.55 Document (typewritten), "You can save money no [sic] your aoutmobil [sic] coverage... [with] AARP homeowner coverage....", undated, 1 page.
- 2.24.56 Document (typewritten; blue paper), "Questionnaire On Racial And Religious Residential Discrimination", from Illinois Freedom of Residence Research, Evanston, Illinois, undated, 1 page (plus 2 page cover letter from Donald S. Frey, Counsellor At

- Law, Evanston, Illinois, to William Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, re: State-Wide Rally of Freedom of Residence Workers at Edgewater Beach Hotel).
- 2.24.57 Document (typewritten; mauve paper), "Gettysburg Executive Summary", undated, 2 pages, re: Living History Project for students of Mclean County, with Itinerary.

## **Box 3**

### **NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People); Housing Issues; Affirmative Action**

#### **Folder 1: NAACP Constitution and By-Laws**

- 3.1.1 Booklet (printed; 3" x 5"), "Constitution and By-Laws for Branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People", Spring 1976, 32 pages (including cover).
- 3.1.2 Booklet (printed; 3" x 5"; yellow paper), "Constitution of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People", 1976, 32 pages (plus blue cover).
- 3.1.3 Document (printed; photocopy of 3' x 5" booklet), "Constitution and By-Laws for Branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People", January 1983, 20 pages.
- 3.1.4 Booklet (printed; 3" x 5"), "Constitution and By-Laws for Branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People", January 1985, 40 pages (including cover), 2 copies.

#### **Folder 2: NAACP City of Bloomington Discrimination Issues**

- 3.2.1 Letter (typewritten; unsigned copy), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington Branch, N.A.A.C.P., and John H. Gwynn, Jr., President, Illinois State Conference of NAACP Branches, to The Honorable Richard Blodgett, City Manager and Members of the City Council, Bloomington, Illinois, 28 December 1970, 2 pages, re: "concerned about the lack of progress being made by this city guaranteeing equal justice to minority group members."
- 3.2.2 Memorandum (typewritten; photocopy), from Richard D. Blodgett, City Manager, [Bloomington, Illinois], to Honorable Mayor and City Council, 19 March 1971, 6 pages, re: Municipal Action Concerning Problems Affecting Minority Groups.
- 3.2.3 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Resolution I – V". Walter Bittner, Mayor, for City Council of the City of Bloomington, Illinois, 22 March 1971, 5 pages, re: Resolutions pertaining to inequality, equal protection, education, public welfare, and minority group member participation in skilled trades construction work force.



- 3.2.4 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Richard D. Blodgett, City Manager, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington-Normal N.A.A.C.P., Bloomington, Illinois, 2 August 1971, 2 pages, re: Municipal Action on the Areas of Concern Pertaining to Minority Groups.
- 3.2.5 Document (typewritten; photocopy; legal-size paper), "Resolution", undated, 3 pages (plus extra copy with "penciled" changes), re: Unsigned Bloomington City Council Resolution to be signed by Mayor, calling for the city "to assist in the elimination of all discrimination, by reason of race, creed, color, religion and national origin."

**Folder 3: NAACP Stationery**

- 3.3.1 Document (printed; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), blank stationery, undated, 1 page.
- 3.3.2 Document (printed; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead; blue paper), blank stationery, undated, 1 page.
- 3.3.3 Document (printed; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" return address), blank envelope, undated.
- 3.3.4 Document (printed; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" return address; light blue), blank envelope, undated.
- 3.3.5 Document (printed; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" return address; blue), blank envelope, undated.

**Folder 4: NAACP Daniel and George White ("Special Education")**

- 3.4.1 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Policies and Procedures of the Board of Education, District No. 87, McLean County, Bloomington, Illinois", by Board of Education (Fred C. McDavid, Superintendent), 1969, 28 pages.
- 3.4.2 Letter (typewritten; "Tri-County Special Education Assoc." letterhead), from Harold D. Kessler, D.S.E., Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, 6 May 1976, 1 page, re: "Staffing on George White".
- 3.4.3 Memo (typewritten), from Harold D. Kessler, Executive Director, Tri-county Special Education Association, "Re: George and Danny White", 6 May 1976, 2 pages, re: "Notice of Staff Conference".
- 3.4.4 Memo (typewritten), from Harold D. Kessler, Executive Director, Tri-county Special Education Association, "Re: George and Danny White", 12 August 1976, 1 page, re: "Notice of Staff Conference".
- 3.4.5 Document (typewritten; "McLean County Association for Retarded Citizens, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 18 August 1976, 2 pages, re: George White, School Year 1976-77.
- 3.4.6 Document (typewritten; photocopy; "Tri-County Special Education Assoc., Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 18 August 1976, 7 pages (Page #7 missing), re: Danny White.
- 3.4.7 Document (typewritten; photocopy; "Tri-County Special Education Assoc. Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 18 August 1976, 5 pages, re: George White.

- 3.4.8 Document (typewritten; "McLean County Association for Retarded Citizens, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), 19 August 1976, 2 pages, re: Daniel White, School Year 1976-77.
- 3.4.9 Letter (typewritten; "Tri-County Special Education Assoc." letterhead), from Harold D. Kessler, Executive Director, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 25 August 1976, 1 page (plus envelope), re: New Rules and Regulations regarding due process hearings.
- 3.4.10 Agenda (typewritten), "Impartial Due Process Hearing", Raymond School, Bloomington, Illinois, 5 October 1976, 1 page, re: Daniel and George White.
- 3.4.11 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "State of Illinois Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities" letterhead), from Mrs. Betty Isham, Unit VI Director, Lincoln Developmental Center, Lincoln, Illinois, to Gary G. Johnson, Attorney at Law, Normal, Illinois, 17 August 1978, 1 page, re: "... Danny was made a ward of the Department of Children and Family Services..."; meeting scheduled for September 14.
- 3.4.12 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Gary G. Johnson, Attorney At Law, Normal, Illinois, to Gerald G. Kaluzny, Attorney at Law, Bloomington, Illinois, and Wayne Webb, Tri-County Special Education, Bloomington, Illinois, 21 August 1978, 1 page, re: "Enclosed is a copy of a letter which you may be interested in."
- 3.4.13 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "I.E.P. Monthly Review", 2 November 1978, 2 pages, re: George White.
- 3.4.14 Newsletter (printed),"The iddaa Advocate", Vol. 1, No. 4, Illinois Developmental Disabilities Advocacy Authority, Springfield, Illinois, Winter 1978, 8 pages.
- 3.4.15 Newsletter (printed),"The iddaa Advocate", Vol. 2, No. 1, Illinois Developmental Disabilities Advocacy Authority, Springfield, Illinois, February-March 1979, 8 pages.
- 3.4.16 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "State of Illinois Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities" letterhead), from DeLorris Conlin, Unit VI Social Worker, Lincoln Developmental Center, Lincoln, Illinois, to Honorable James A. Knecht, Bloomington, Illinois, 20 February 1979, 6 pages (plus envelope), re: "Danny's latest bi-monthly report" enclosed.
- 3.4.17 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Honorable Joseph A. Califano, Jr., Secretary of H.E.W., Washington, D.C., 29 April 1979, 1 page (plus handwritten draft), re: "We ... request an investigation of the alleged deficiencies of the Special Education Program of District #87.....".
- 3.4.18 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Alan C. Leach, Child Welfare Worker, Normal Field Office, Department of Children and Family Services, Normal, Illinois, to The Honorable James A. Knecht, Circuit Judge, Bloomington, Illinois, 1 May 1979, 2 pages (plus envelope), re: Danny White's "current situation"; No 77 J 125.
- 3.4.19 Letter (typewritten; "Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Office of The Secretary" letterhead), from Lloyd R. Henderson, Director, Office of Compliance and Enforcement, Office for Civil Rights, Washington, D.C., to Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington-Normal Branch, NAACP, Bloomington, Illinois, 12 Jun 1979, 1 page (plus envelope), re: forwarding your letter to Regional Director in Chicago, Kenneth Mines.
- 3.4.20 Letter (typewritten; "Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Region V" letterhead), from Michael F. Kruley, Equal Opportunity Specialist, Chicago, Illinois, to

- Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington-Normal Branch, NAACP, Bloomington, Illinois, 20 June 1979, 2 pages (plus envelope), re: “the Department shall conduct an investigation....”.
- 3.4.21 Document (typewritten; photocopy; handwritten entries), “Office of Civil Rights (OCR) Consent Form for Disclosure Under the Privacy Act of 1974”, 23 June 1979, re: signed by Merlin R. Kennedy.
- 3.4.22 Letter (typewritten; “Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Office for Civil Rights - Region V” letterhead), from Kenneth A. Mines , Director, Chicago, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington-Normal Branch (NAACP), Bloomington, Illinois, 1 November 1979, 2 pages (plus envelope), re: plan for Daniel meets requirement of law, so we are closing this case.
- 3.4.23 Letter (typewritten; “Board of Education District Number 87 McLean County” letterhead), from Donald E. Melican, Director of Special Education, Bloomington, Illinois, to James P. Carey, Equal Opportunity Specialist, Chicago, Illinois, 2 November 1979, 1 page (plus envelope), re: meeting set for November 30.
- 3.4.24 Document (printed; handwritten entries), “Bloomington Public Schools I.E.P. Summary Data Sheet, 13 November 1979, 2 pages, re: “Goals and Objectives” for Danny White, prepared by Carol Hussong.
- 3.4.25 Letter (typewritten; “State of Illinois, Department of Children and Family Services, Normal Field Office” letterhead), from Alan C. Leach, Child Welfare Worker, to Honorable James A. Knecht, Circuit Judge, Bloomington, Illinois, 1 July 1980, 2 pages (plus envelope), re: “...Danny was returned to his parents, Frank and Mary White, on 8-29-79.”; “District 87, I believe, has made an honest and determined effort to provide the best educational program it can for Danny.”.
- 3.4.26 Letter (typewritten; “Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, to Michael F. Kruley, Equal Opportunity Specialist, Health and Human Development Division, Office for Civil Rights Region V, 22 August 1980, 1 page (plus handwritten draft on yellow legal-size paper), re: “We request further investigation in the case of Daniel White and District Number 87”.
- 3.4.27 Document (printed; 2” x 5”), “Receipt for Certified Mail”, 26 August 1980, 2 receipts, re: only handwritten information is “Don”, presumably Don E. Melican, Director of Special Education, for August 22 letter to Office of Civil Rights.
- 3.4.28 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, to Michael F. Kruley, Equal Opportunity Specialist, Health and Human Development Division, Office for Civil Rights Region V, 26 March 1981, 1 page (plus handwritten draft), re: “We ... are again appealing to you for help....”.
- 3.4.29 Document (handwritten; photocopy), “Daily Schedule”, undated, 4 pages, re: schedule listing times and activities.
- 3.4.30 Document (photocopy), Envelope addressed to Mr. Michael Kruley, E.O.S., Office for Civil Rights, Health & Human Development Division, Chicago, Illinois, undated.
- 3.4.31 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Long-Range Curriculum Objectives”, undated, 1 page, re: list of 14 objectives.
- 3.4.32 Pamphlet (printed; bi-fold), “Do You Have A Complaint? Client Grievance Procedure”, from Prairie State Legal Services, undated, 1 page.

- 3.4.33 Document (typewritten. Photocopy), “Administrative Complaint”, United States Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights, Mary White, Complainant, v. Illinois State Board of Education, et al., Respondents, undated, 5 pages (plus 15 pages of exhibits), re: Complaint filed by Attorney Gerald G. Kaluzny, Prairie State Legal Services, Bloomington, Illinois.
- 3.4.34 Document (typewritten), Envelope addressed to Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Equal Opportunity Office, Regional Office V, Chicago, Illinois, undated.
- 3.4.35 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Impartial Due Process Hearing, Article X”, undated, 8 pages (“36 – 43), re: Rules [unknown source]: “A hearing may be requested by the parents, other persons having primary care and custody of the child, the child or the district....”.

**Folder 5: NAACP Country Music Shows**

- 3.5.1 Document (printed; handwritten entries), Contract between R. B. Hafferty, Nashville Country Music Shows, and Merlin R. Kennedy, N.A.A.C.P. Project Fund, as Sponsor, 1 November 1971, 1 page, re: Performances at Central Catholic High School on December 5, 1971.
- 3.5.2 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), From Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington-Normal N.A.A.C.P., to Corral Interprises [sic: “Enterprises”], 4 November 1971, 1 page, re: final bills.
- 3.5.3 Document (handwritten; yellow legal-size paper), “Date, Name, Amount, Check No”, 10 November 1971, 1 page (plus printed total), re: list of checks written between 10 November 1971 and 2 January 1972
- 3.5.4 Document (printed; handwritten entries; photocopy), “Daily Report”, 10 November 1971 – 3 December 1971, 16 pages, re: Daily Day’s Collection, Reports No. 1 – 15 (two version of 11) from Wayman Rice.
- 3.5.5 Document (printed duplicates), Deposit Tickets for Peoples Bank of Bloomington, 11 November 1971, 3 Receipts (plus envelope).
- 3.5.6 Letter (typewritten; “Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, to Whom it may concern, 13 November 1971, 1 page, re: selling advertisements in Program Book for Nashville Country-Western Music Show.
- 3.5.7 Document (printed; handwritten entries), “Personal Bank-By-Mail and TV Banking Wallet” for Peoples Bank of Bloomington, 17 November 1971, 1 “Wallet” (plus two blank checks).
- 3.5.8 Document (printed), Check Stub for Check #30766, from Eureka Williams Company, Bloomington, Illinois, 19 November 1971, 1 page, re: \$52.00 for Program Book.
- 3.5.9 Document (printed; handwritten entries), Statement from NAACP Merlin R. Kennedy, to Steak n Shake Drive In, 24 November 1971, 1 page (plus envelope), re: \$22.50 for “Adv”.
- 3.5.10 Document (printed), Check Stub for Check from Felmley Dickerson Co., 26 November 1971, 1 page, re: \$10.00 for Tickets.
- 3.5.11 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Dunn, Brady, Goebel, Ulbrich , Hayes & Morel” letterhead), from George R. Flynn, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, and Sister Colleen, Central Catholic High School, Bloomington, Illinois, 30 November 1971, 1 page (plus 4 page Lease Agreement by and between Holy

- Roman Catholic Congregation of Bloomington, Illinois, as Lessor, and National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and Corral Enterprises, Inc., as Lessee; and envelope), re: enclosing original and copy of Lease Agreement.
- 3.5.12 Document (printed), Check #01888 with Stub from Prairie Farms Dairy, Inc., Carlinville, Illinois, 9 December 1971, 1 page (plus envelope), re: \$22.50 for "Advertising".
  - 3.5.13 Document (printed; typewritten entries), Bank Statement from Peoples Bank of Bloomington, 9 December 1971, 1 page, re: "NAACP Special Project Fund"
  - 3.5.14 Document (printed), Check #006493 with Stub from Vertin Brothers and Company, Bloomington, Illinois, 14 December 1971, 1 page, re: \$10.00 for "NAACP".
  - 3.5.15 Document (printed; typewritten entries; photocopy), GTE General Telephone Bill, 4 December 1971, 1 page, re: NAACP Merlin Kennedy
  - 3.5.16 Document (printed), Check Register, "The Treasurer", 4 January 1972 – 14 November 1972, re: NAACP Special Project Fund, Peoples Bank of Bloomington.
  - 3.5.17 Document (printed; handwritten entries), "Counter Receipt" from GTE General Telephone Company of Illinois, 17 August 1972, 2 separate receipts, re: Payment from NAACP.
  - 3.5.18 Document (printed; "stamped" entries), Receipt from The Coachmen Motel and Coffee Shop, Bloomington, Illinois, 22 August 1972, 1 page, re: Charges for Davis William.
  - 3.5.19 Document (printed; handwritten entries; photocopy), "Daily Report", 23 August 1972 – 21 September 1972, 15 pages, re: Daily Day's Collection, Reports No. 1 – 15 from David Williams et alia.
  - 3.5.20 Document (printed; handwritten entries), Statement from NAACP Merlin R. Kennedy, to The National Bank of Bloomington, 24 August 1972, 1 page, re: \$25.00 for "Advertisement".
  - 3.5.21 Document (printed; typewritten entries), "Notice of Insufficient Funds" from Peoples Bank of Bloomington, 24 August 1972, re: item for \$45.00 returned.
  - 3.5.22 Document (printed; handwritten entries), "Checking Account Deposit Ticket", for NAACP Special Project Fund, 25 August 1972 – 13 November 1972, 14 Tickets.
  - 3.5.23 Document (typewritten), Note to Mr. Cook, from R. R. Ropp, 29 August 1972, 2 pages, re: attaching request for contribution form.
  - 3.5.24 Document (printed; handwritten entries), Contract between R. B. Hafferty, Nashville Country Music Shows, and Merlin R. Kennedy, N.A.A.C.P., as Sponsor, 28 July 1972, 1 page, re: Performances at AUD [Consistory] on November 2, 1972.
  - 3.5.25 Document (printed; typewritten entries), Bank Statement from Peoples Bank of Bloomington, 8 September 1972, 1 page (plus 19 cancelled checks; 8 Deposit Tickets, 1 Service Charge notice, 1 advertisement flyer, and envelope), re: "NAACP Special Project Fund"
  - 3.5.26 Postcard (printed; typewritten entries), "Classified Advertising Invoice", from The Daily Pantagraph, Bloomington, Illinois, 10 September 1972, re: Invoice Number 34872.
  - 3.5.27 Document (printed; handwritten entries), "Counter Receipt" from GTE General Telephone Company of Illinois, 11 September 1972, 1 receipt, re: Payment from NAACP.
  - 3.5.28 Document (printed; handwritten entries), Receipt from Jim Martin, to Bruce Hiser, 12 September 1972, 1 page, re: \$10.00 for "NAACP Tix".
  - 3.5.29 Document (printed; typewritten entries), "Stop Payment Order" from Peoples Bank of Bloomington, 13 September 1972, 1 page (with two carbon copies; plus note on completion and envelope), re: Check #130 to Carrol Enterprises for \$159.45; unsigned.

- 3.5.30 Document (handwritten; 4" x 5"), Receipt from James A. Calvin, 15 September 1972, 2 pages.
- 3.5.31 Document (printed; handwritten entries), Checks written to Corral Enterprises drawn on NAACP Special Project Fund, 19 & 20 September 1972, 2 checks (No. 143 and 146), re: Checks marked "VOID".
- 3.5.32 Letter (typewritten; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, to R. B. Hafferty, Nashville Country Music Shows, Nashville, Tennessee, 4 October 1972, 1 page (with envelope marked "Returned to Sender, Unclaimed"), re: Nashville Country Music Show has obligation to create the show book; phone bill totaling \$517.75 still owing.
- 3.5.33 Document (printed), Event Ticket: "Welcome to Nashville Country Music Show", 2 November 1972, 2 tickets (one with stamped date; one with handwritten date).
- 3.5.34 Document (3.5" x 5" note card; handwritten entries), Scottish Rite Temple, Jim Bicket", 2 November 1972, 1 card, re: Address information; "Consistory".
- 3.5.35 Newsletter (printed), GTE General Telephone "Lines", Vol. 12, No. 11, Bloomington, Illinois, November 1972, 4 pages.
- 3.5.36 Document (printed; photocopy; handwritten entries), Deposit Ticket for Peoples Bank of Bloomington, for NAACP Special Project Fund, 13 November 1972.
- 3.5.37 Document (printed; typewritten entries), Bank Statement from Peoples Bank of Bloomington, 8 December 1972, 1 page, re: "NAACP Special Project Fund".
- 3.5.38 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington-Normal Branch of the N.A.A.C.P., to Scottish Rite Temple, J.H. Bicket, Bloomington, Illinois, 26 September 1973, 1 page, re: Want to rent Scottish Rite Temple for Country Music Show of Equitable Enterprises from Madison, Tennessee, on 14 or 15 December 1973.
- 3.5.39 Letter (typewritten; "Peoples Mid-Illinois Corporation" letterhead), from Jolene B. Zalaznik, Senior Auditor, Bloomington, Illinois, to NAACP Special Project Fund, Bloomington, Illinois, 27 August 1990, 1 page, re: Please verify current balance information shown below.
- 3.5.40 Document (printed), Check Stub, from The Joint – General Store, Bloomington, Illinois, undated, 1 page, re: \$17.50 for "Adv".
- 3.5.41 Document (printed), Check Stub, from Hawthorne House, Inc., Bloomington, Illinois, undated, 1 page, re: \$10.00 for "Advertisement".
- 3.5.42 Document (printed), Check Stub, from Compass Travel Bureau, Inc., Bloomington, Illinois, undated, 1 page, re: \$10.00 for "Contribution".
- 3.5.43 Envelope (plain; handwritten entries), "Money Total – Sept 12th", undated, 1 envelope.
- 3.5.44 Document (3.5" x 5" note card; handwritten entries), "Bill H Murry ...Nashville Tenn.", Jim Bicket", 2 November 1972, 1 card, re: Address information.
- 3.5.45 Program (printed), "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People presents Nashville Country Music Show", undated, 24 pages, re: Performer Signatures on back.
- 3.5.46 Program (printed), "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People presents Nashville Country Music Show", undated, 12 pages, re: Performer Signature on front.
- 3.5.47 Photograph (black and white; 8" x 10"), "Dori Malloy", undated, 1 page, re: "Exclusive Management Corral Enterprises", Nashville, Tennessee.

**Folder 6: NAACP Literature and Printed Documents (Dated)**

- 3.6.1 Document (printed; 2.5" x 6"), "Member NAACP Fight for Freedom!", 1962.
- 3.6.2 Newsletter (printed), "NAACP Newsletter", National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, Vol. 2, No. 2, March 1967, 4 pages.
- 3.6.3 Newsletter (printed), "NAACP Housing Bulletin", National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, Fall 1969.
- 3.6.4 Document (typewritten; blue paper), "Illinois State Conference of N.A.A.C.P. Branches; Labor & Industry Survey", 14 February 1971, 2 pages, re: Series of Demographic Questions.
- 3.6.5 Document (typewritten; blue paper), "N.A.A.C.P. Education Questionnaire", 14 February 1971, 3 pages, re: Series of Local Education Questions.
- 3.6.6 Document (typewritten: various colored paper), "Negro Literature, Music and Art – Evidence of Black Culture; Suggestions for Observing Negro History Week", compiled by Training Department Staff, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, 13 -19 February 1972, 32 pages (plus cover).
- 3.6.7 Document (printed), "The NAACP and the National Black Political Convention", National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, 3 July 1972, 4 pages (cover only).
- 3.6.8 Document (typewritten; "News From NAACP" letterhead), "For release: Upon Receipt – NAACP to Resist Mississippi Judgment", 12 August 1976, 1 page, re: NAACP to appeal adverse judgment [Claiborne Hardware v. NAACP].
- 3.6.9 Document (typewritten), "Mississippi Court Wants NAACP to Pay White Merchants \$1.2 Million for 1966 Boycott Protest – the Decision of Claiborne Hardware Company....", 24 August 1976, 2 pages (plus photocopy of handwritten document calling for Boycott of listed companies in Jackson Mississippi, 28 June 1965, 1 page).
- 3.6.10 Program (printed), "Come What May, We Are Here To Stay", Freedom Fund Banquet, Continental Regency, [Peoria, Illinois], 20 September 1980, 30 pages (plus cover), re: NAACP Banquet.
- 3.6.11 Document (printed), "Hints for Better Branch Administration", Department of Branch and Field Services, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Brooklyn, New York, January 1985, 26 pages (plus blue cover).
- 3.6.12 Document (typewritten; pink and yellow paper; handwritten entries), "NAACP Leadership Review", 3 September 1985, 2 pages, re: series of organizational questions about NAACP, along with answer sheet.
- 3.6.13 Newsletter (printed; tan paper), "Freedom's Journal", NAACP Illinois State Conference of Branches Quarterly Newsletter, Park Forest, Illinois, Vol. 1, No. 4, November 1987, 6 pages.
- 3.6.14 Pamphlet (printed; tri-fold; gray paper), "The Get Together [sic]; A Black History Month Celebration", presented by The Bloomington/Normal NAACP, Times Past Inn, 16 February 1996, 1 page (plus insert: "Vote Yes! For Merger on March 19" of local school districts).
- 3.6.15 Program (printed), "The Bloomington/Normal Branch NAACP Annual Freedom Fund Banquet", ISU Bone Student Center [Normal, Illinois], 16 September 2000, 36 pages (plus cover and 3 inserts).

- 3.6.16 Program (printed), “The Bloomington-Normal, Ill. Branch NAACP Celebrates The 100 Year Centennial Celebration Freedom Fund Banquet”, 2008, 19 pages (plus cover), re: “From the Ashes of Tragedy: The Birth of the NAACP”, by Chief Ronald D. Swan, M.A.

**Folder 7: NAACP Literature and Printed Documents (Undated)**

- 3.7.1 Booklet (printed), “Manual on Branch Election Procedure”, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, undated, 24 pages (including cover).
- 3.7.2 Flyer (printed), “Support! NAACP Freedom Tag Day”, undated, 1 page (plus 3 page document on “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead, entitled, “Plan for ‘Freedom Tag’ Solicitation – An Activity for the Freedom Fund Committee”), re: “Freedom ain’t free”.
- 3.7.3 Pamphlet (printed), “How the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Began”, by Mary White Ovington, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, undated, 8 pages (2 copies).
- 3.7.4 Pamphlet (printed; green cover), “Handbook for Branches”, NAACP National Membership Radiothon”, prepared by Jondelle Jonson, National Director of Special Projects, undated, 60 pages (plus cover).
- 3.7.5 Flyer (printed; blue paper), “Speak Out! Evaluate Your NAACP Local Branch (Political Action Committee), NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 4 pages, re: Evaluation Questionnaire.
- 3.7.6 Magazine Article Reprint (printed), “What Integrated Housing is All About”, from “Community”, Friendship House’s Monthly Periodical, undated, 4 pages.
- 3.7.7 Document (typewritten; orange paper), “Draft of a Model Lawsuit...”, from Freedom of Residence Office, Evanston, Illinois, undated, 8 pages.
- 3.7.8 Document (typewritten; orange paper), “Federal Constitutional Amendments and Statutes on which the Model Lawsuit is Based”, undated, 7 pages.
- 3.7.9 Document (typewritten; brown paper), “How You Can Help Fair Housing Legislation Through the Illinois Legislature”, from Illinois Committee for Fair Housing Law, Chicago, Illinois, undated, 1 page.
- 3.7.10 Document (typewritten; brown paper), “Equal Employment Opportunity Policy”, by Ray Rogers, General Manager, General Electric Control Department, undated, 1 page.
- 3.7.11 Pamphlet (printed), “The President’s Civil Rights Program: What it provides, What more it needs, and How you can help.”, The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, undated, 8 pages.
- 3.7.12 Document (printed), “NAACP Christmas Cards”, undated, 1 page, re: Order Form for Black Christmas Cards provided by Claude Liggins of Earlie Vee Greeting Card Company.
- 3.7.13 Document (printed), “Riot Prevention”, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, undated, 1 page, re: “Did you lay the groundwork for a riot today?”.
- 3.7.14 Document (typewritten), “Constitution for the Illinois State Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People”, undated, 7 pages (plus 9 page alternate version).
- 3.7.15 Document (printed; yellow paper), “NAACP Registration Planning Sheet for Community Events”, undated, 1 page.



- 3.7.16 Document (typewritten), "Questionnaire for Section 2 Litigation Under the Voting Rights Act", undated, 7 pages, re: "intake" questionnaire.
- 3.7.17 Pamphlet (printed; 4" x 8.5" orange tri-fold), "Haynesworth Dissenting (On Civil Rights)", The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, undated, 2 pages, re: "The record, a courtroom 'No, No, Nanette' of President Nixon's nominee to the United States Supreme Court".
- 3.7.18 Document (5' x 6.5" bi-fold card), Christmas card (unused), undated, 1 card (plus order form and "explanation" card), re: Cards to raise funds for NAACP Special Contribution Fund, New York, New York.

## **Folder 8 NAACP Voter Registration**

- 3.8.1 Document (printed; 3" x 6" bi-fold), "Let's March...To the Voter Registration Desk!!", National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, March 1964.
- 3.8.2 Newsletter (printed; tan paper), "Voter Action Alert". Vol. 1, No. 1, NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, January 1988, 8 pages.
- 3.8.3 Newsletter (printed; tan paper), "Voter Action Alert". Vol. 1, No. 6, NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, [1988], 12 pages.
- 3.8.4 Poster (printed; 11" x 14"), "Vote Be Heard!!", 8 November 1988.
- 3.8.5 Document (printed; 4" x 8.5"), "Register and Vote" handbills, undated, 4 different (green, white, yellow, and tan paper).
- 3.8.6 Document (typewritten; green paper), "Field Monitoring Report", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 12 pages.
- 3.8.7 Document (typewritten), "Information on Developing a Successful Voter Action Plan", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 8 pages.
- 3.8.8 Document (typewritten), "Assistance Request Form for Voter Action Workshop", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 2 pages.
- 3.8.9 Document (printed; yellow, pink, orange, and blue paper), "Voter Participation Program Planning", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 7 pages.
- 3.8.10 Document (typewritten; yellow paper), "NAACP Voter Registration and 'Get-Out-The-Vote' Radio/TV Spots", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 8 pages.
- 3.8.11 Document (typewritten; pink paper), "The NAACP Voter Action-Public Relations Effort", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 11 pages.
- 3.8.12 Document (typewritten; yellow cover), "Proposal and Budget Application for a Voter Action Grant", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 10 pages.
- 3.8.13 Document (typewritten; tan paper), "NAACP Voter Action Daily Report Form For Registration Coordinators", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 1 page.
- 3.8.14 Document (typewritten; green paper), "NAACP Voter Action Campaign Directory", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 1 page.
- 3.8.15 Document (typewritten; tan paper), "Voter Action Volunteer Enrollment Form", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 2 pages.
- 3.8.16 Document (typewritten; yellow paper), "NAACP Volunteer Drivers for Election Day", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 1 page.

- 3.8.17 Document (typewritten; yellow paper), "NAACP Get-Out-The-Vote Campaign Free Rides to the Polls", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 1 page.
- 3.8.18 Document (typewritten; green paper), "Black Votes = Black Progress, Register and Vote", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 1 page.
- 3.8.19 Document (typewritten; green paper), "Illinois" Statistics from National Urban League, NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 1 page.
- 3.8.20 Document (typewritten; pink paper), "Branch and State Conference Political Action Committee Contact List", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 2 pages.
- 3.8.21 Document (typewritten; blue legal size paper), "NAACP Voter Registration and Political Action Material", NAACP Voter Education Department, Baltimore, Maryland, undated, 1 page, re: list of available materials available for order.
- 3.8.22 Flyer (printed; 2.5" x 5"), "Register Now!", NAACP Voter Education Project, undated, 1 page.

**Folder 9 NAACP Membership Campaign**

- 3.9.1 Pamphlet (printed; quadra-fold), "The Story of the NAACP", January 1966, 1 page, re: "Join Today".
- 3.9.2 Booklet (printed), "How to Organize and Conduct a Successful N.A.A.C.P. Membership Campaign, Department of Branches, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New, York, New York, 1 January 1970, 16 pages (plus yellow cover).
- 3.9.3 Poster (printed; 8.5" x 11" blue paper), "Step Out In Style! Membership Drive Dance", 19 July 1985, Crestwicke Country Club, 19 July 1985, 1 page.
- 3.9.4 Document (typewritten; photocopy; handwritten entries), "Illinois State Board of Elections Deputy Registrar Program Civic Organization Verification", State Board of Elections, Springfield, Illinois, 26 June 1990, 1 page, re: information for NAACP/Bloomington-Normal, Branch.
- 3.9.5 Document (printed; photocopy), "The Story of NAACP", National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Bloomington, Illinois, undated, 1 page, re: "Join the Fight for Freedom".
- 3.9.6 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Order Blank for Membership Campaign Materials", undated, 1 page, re: order form "completed" by Merlin R. Kennedy.
- 3.9.7 Document (printed; photocopy), "Candidate for a Life Membership", undated, 1 page, re: blank form.
- 3.9.8 Pamphlet (printed; quadra-fold), "NAACP: its story, its program and objectives", undated, 1 page, re: "Join Today".
- 3.9.10 Letter (typewritten), from President Merlin R. Kennedy, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Bloomington, Illinois, to Dear Friend, undated, 1 page, re: Form Membership Letter with application.
- 3.9.11 Document (typewritten; yellow and blue paper), "NAACP Life Membership", National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, undated, 12 pages.
- 3.9.12 Poster (printed; 8.5" x 11" blue paper), "NAACP Membership Station, Join Here!", undated, 1 page.

- 3.9.13 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Membership Report Blank", National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, undated, 1 page.
- 3.9.14 Document (printed; brown paper), "Goals of The National Committee to Revitalize the NAACP", undated, 2 pages.
- 3.9.15 Booklet (printed), "How to Organize and Conduct a Successful N.A.A.C.P. Membership Campaign, Department of Branches, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New, York, New York, undated, 16 pages (plus orange cover).
- 3.9.16 Document (printed; sealable envelope), "NAACP Fight For Freedom Campaign Worker's Report Envelope", undated, 3 (with printed number 3624, 3660, and 3661).
- 3.9.17 Pamphlet (printed; 6" x 8.5" bi-fold), "Hints to N.A.A.C.P. Campaigners", National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, undated, 1 page.
- 3.9.18 Pamphlet (printed; 6" x 8.5" bi-fold), "Yes We Can!", National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, undated, 1 page, re: "Please enroll me as a member to the NAACP".
- 3.9.19 Flyer (printed; 6" x 8.5" orange paper), "The NAACP guards your right ...", undated, 1 page (plus alternate version on yellow paper), re: "Join Now – Renew Today".
- 3.9.20 Flyer (printed; bi-fold), "The NAACP needs you ... and You need the NAACP", undated, 1 page, re: "Join Today".
- 3.9.21 Pamphlet (printed; 4" x 8.5" bi-fold), "Guidelines for a Successful NAACP Membership Committee", National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, New York, undated, 12 pages.
- 3.9.22 Pamphlet (printed; 3" x 6"), "Meeting Your Needs: The NAACP", undated, 1 page (folded), re: "Join Today".
- 3.9.23 Pamphlet (printed; 4" x 26" blue paper; quadra-fold), "Don't Stand on the Sidelines", undated, 1 page.
- 3.9.24 Flyer (printed; 5" x 8"), "Magic Membership Guide for NAACP Membership Workers", undated, 2 pages, re: "Where and how you can get 10 or more NAACP Memberships quickly".
- 3.9.25 Flyer (printed; 3" x 8.5" tan paper), "Don't Be A Free Rider", National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Brooklyn Heights, New York, undated, 2 pages, re: "Join Today".
- 3.9.26 Newspaper Clipping, "NAACP changes format for membership drive", The Pantagraph, Bloomington, Illinois, undated, page A-2, re: Photo of Merlin Kennedy presenting life membership plaque to Dr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Woodard.

**Folder 10: NAACP Minutes and Agendas (Monthly Meetings)**

- 3.10.1 Document (typewritten; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), Meeting Notice, from Merlin R. Kennedy, Pres., 3 September 1980, 1 page.
- 3.10.2 Minutes (typewritten), Dorothy Betts, Secretary, 20 November 1986, 3 pages.
- 3.10.3 Minutes (typewritten), Dorothy Betts, Secretary, 18 December 1986, 2 pages (plus 1 page "Membership Committee Report").
- 3.10.4 Agenda (typewritten; photocopy), "Meeting Agenda", 28 January 1988, 1 page (plus Membership List).

- 3.10.5 Minutes (handwritten), Dorothy Betts, Secretary, 28 January 1988, 3 pages (plus 1 page typewritten Financial Report).
- 3.10.6 Minutes (typewritten), Dorothy Betts, Secretary, 18 February 1988, 1 page.
- 3.10.7 Document (handwritten), Financial Report, 18 February 1988, 1 page.
- 3.10.8 Minutes (typewritten), Dorothy Betts, Secretary, 17 March 1988, 1 page (plus Financial Report and Attendance List).
- 3.10.9 Minutes (typewritten), Dorothy Betts, Secretary, 14 April 1988, 2 pages.
- 3.10.10 Minutes (typewritten), Dorothy Betts, Secretary, 19 May 1988, 1 page.
- 3.10.11 Document (handwritten), Financial Report, 19 May 1988, 3 pages.
- 3.10.12 Minutes (typewritten), Dorothy Gunter, Secretary, 16 June 1988, 1 page.
- 3.10.13 Document (handwritten), Financial Report, 16 June 1988, 1 page.
- 3.10.14 Document (handwritten), "No Minutes for July 1988", July 1988, 1 page.
- 3.10.15 Document (typewritten), Resolution in honor of Naomi Martin, 1 August 1988, 1 page, re: "The members of the Bloomington-Normal Branch of the NAACP express our great appreciation [for] the work she did through the years."
- 3.10.16 Minutes (handwritten), Dorothy Gunter, Secretary, 28 January 1988, 2 pages (plus 1 handwritten Financial Report).
- 3.10.17 Minutes (typewritten), 19 September 1991, 1 page (plus envelope).
- 3.10.18 Minutes (typewritten), April 2002, 1 page.
- 3.10.19 Agenda (typewritten), "Meeting Agenda", 16 May 2002, 1 page.

**Folder 11: NAACP Illinois State Conference of Branches**

- 3.11.1 Booklet (printed; blue cover), The Illinois State Conference of N.A.A.C.P. Branches, Freedom Fund Banquet", 15 October 1977, 48 pages (plus cover), re: Program held at Sheraton Motor Inn, Danville, Illinois.
- 3.11.2 Minutes (typewritten), Illinois State Conference of Branches, NAACP, by Dorris Miller, Secretary, 17 May 1981, 2 pages.
- 3.11.3 Minutes (typewritten), Illinois State Conference of Branches, NAACP, 27 September 1981, 2 pages.
- 3.11.4 Memo (typewritten; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Benjamin L. Hooks, Executive Director, to Branches and State/Area Conferences, 25 November 1981, 1 page, re: upcoming meeting at New York Sheraton Hotel on December 11.
- 3.11.5 Document (typewritten; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), "Haitians", 12 December 1981, 1 page, re: "March on Washington".
- 3.11.6 Memo (typewritten; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from John H. Gwynn Jr. President, Illinois State Conference, to All Branches, Illinois State Conference, NAACP, 24 February 1985, 1 page, re: "State Board Meeting".
- 3.11.7 Program (printed), "Illinois State Conference of NAACP Branches, 51st Annual Convention", 9-11 October 1987, 22 pages (plus yellow cover), re: Matteson, Illinois.
- 3.11.8 Program (printed; bi-fold), "NAACP Illinois State Conference of Branches, Annual State Luncheon", 10 October 1987, 4 pages, re: Holiday Inn, Matteson, Illinois.
- 3.11.9 Document (typewritten; yellow paper), "Program Schedule, Illinois State Conference of Branches", 9-11 October 1987, 5 pages (plus 4 page alternate version on white paper).

- 3.11.10 Folder (blue; bi-fold), "Illinois State Conference", October 1988, plus documents:
- a. Brochure (printed; tri-fold), "Project STP, Success in Mathematics", undated, Academic Affairs, Sangamon State University, Springfield, Illinois.
  - b. Document (printed), "Illinois State Board of Education, FY 1988 Application for Grant to Meet the Special Educational Needs of Educationally Deprived Children", January 1987, 10 pages.
  - c. Document (typewritten; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), "Convention Schedule", 7-9 October 1988, 1 page.
  - d. Document (typewritten), "State Legislative Report Card", October 1988, 3 pages.
  - e. Document (typewritten; green paper), "Illinois State Conference of Branches Evaluation Sheet", undated, 1 page.
- 3.11.11 Document (typewritten; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Illinois State Conference of Branches" letterhead), News Release, from David Livingston, State Conference President, 15 February, 1990, 3 pages (plus envelope), re: "...the number of outbreaks of racial violence on college campuses in Illinois is unacceptable."; Education Committee Report.

**Folder 12: NAACP Financial Information**

- 3.12.1 Document (Printed Form; typewritten entries; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), "Treasurer's Year End Report for 1971", 1971, 5 pages.
- 3.12.2 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, to Hugh R. Hairston, Venice, Illinois, January 1972, 1 page, re: enclosing \$15.00 check for Fight for Freedom Fund.
- 3.12.3 Document (printed; handwritten entries; photocopy), Cancelled Checks, 17 January 1972, 2 pages, re: Checks #103,104 and 214.
- 3.12.4 Document (printed; handwritten entries; photocopy), "Branch Advance Registration Form", 21 June 1972, 2 pages, re: Registration for 63rd Annual Convention N.A.A.C.P., July 1972, Detroit, Michigan; plus copy of \$15.00 check.
- 3.12.5 Letter (typewritten; "carbon" copy), from Mrs. Herschell M. Martin, Membership Chairman, Bloomington-Normal, Illinois NAACP Branch, Bloomington, Illinois, to Glouster Current, Director of NAACP Branches, New York, New York, 17 June 1975, 1 page, re: "... list of our youth NAACP members....".
- 3.12.6 Letter (handwritten), from Jesse Mae, to "Hello There", 25 April 1980, 1 page (plus Peoples Bank of Bloomington Checking Deposit Slip, \$126.23 check stub for "C. D. Myers", and envelope with return address for Mabel Henderson, Kansas City, Missouri), re: "I've written a letter to the lady at the bank explaining the delay....".
- 3.12.7 Document (printed; handwritten entries; photocopy), "Membership Department Processing", 24 February 1976, 2 pages, re: Credit Memos for "Over Payment".
- 3.12.8 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, 22 September 1976, 1 page, re: I Merlin R. Kennedy receive a contribution from Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church....".

- 3.12.9 Letter (handwritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Naomi L. Martin, Membership Chairman, Bloomington, Illinois, to Murrel S. Outlaw, Membership Chr., National Office, New York, New York, 24 September 1976, 3 pages, re: "...itemized list of donors to the Special Crisis Fund for N.A.A.C.P.".
- 3.12.10 Letter (typewritten; handwritten additions; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Susie Stiger, Treasure [sic], and Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Murrel Outlaw, Membership Chairperson, N.A.A.C.P. National Office, New York, New York, 27 September 1976, 1 page, re: List of Donors to Special Contribution Fund.
- 3.12.11 Document (typewritten; 2.5" x 4"), Note from Mrs. N. L. Martin, to Merlin, 29 October 1981, 1 page (plus Peoples Bank of Bloomington Checking Account Deposit Slip, and blank Deposit Ticket), re: "I'll look for the numbers....".
- 3.12.12 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy), "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Brooklyn, NY Financial Report for 1984", 1984, 8 pages.
- 3.12.13 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy), "Authority of Lodge, Association or Other Similar Organization to Open a Deposit Account", 29 December 1986, 4 pages, re: Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People application to Peoples Bank, Bloomington, Illinois.
- 3.12.14 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy), "Report on 1986 Fund Raising Activities", 31 December 1986, 2 pages.
- 3.12.15 Document (handwritten; yellow lined paper), "1986 Income", 1986, 2 pages, re: Income and Expenses.
- 3.12.16 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy), "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Baltimore, Maryland Financial Report for 1986", 1986, 2 pages.
- 3.12.17 Document (photocopy), "National Assoc. Adv. Colored People" check Number 644, 6 January 1987, 1 page, re: Payment for "Nat. Part of Fund Raising".
- 3.12.18 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "Treasurer's Annual Report, Illinois State Conference of Branches NAACP for the Fiscal Year", 9 October 1987, 7 pages, re: Submitted by Kenneth E. Barton, Treasurer.
- 3.12.19 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy), "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Baltimore, Maryland Financial Report for 1988", 1988, 9 pages.
- 3.12.20 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Bloomington-Normal Banquet Proceeds May 13 1989", 23 August 1989, 2 pages (plus Receipt for Certified Mail).
- 3.12.21 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Report on Second Fund Raiser of 1989 was a Pizza Sale - Oct. 14, 1989", 3 September 1990, 2 pages (plus copy of Receipt for Certified Mail).
- 3.12.22 Document (printed; "The Peoples Bank" letterhead), "Regular Checking" Monthly Statement, 26 December 1991, 1 page (plus 5 cancelled checks, 1 deposit receipt, Bank Brochure: "Understanding Your Deposit Account; and envelope).
- 3.12.23 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Final Accounting ... Annual King Awards Program", 1992-1997, 6 pages.

**Folder 13: NAACP Membership Information**

- 3.13.1 Document (printed form; handwritten and typewritten entries; photocopy; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Branch Life Membership Report Form”, 20 January 1978, 1 page.
- 3.13.2 Document (printed form; handwritten and typewritten entries; photocopy; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Membership Report Blank”, 30 January 1978, 1 page.
- 3.13.3 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Branch Life Membership Report Form”, 23 February 1978, 1 page.
- 3.13.4 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Membership Report Blank”, 23 February 1978, 1 page.
- 3.13.5 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), List of Members, 28 March 1978, 1 page.
- 3.13.6 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Membership Report Blank”, 12 April 1978, 1 page.
- 3.13.7 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; blue paper; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Membership Report Blank”, 20 May 1978, 1 page.
- 3.13.8 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Membership Report Blank”, 28 June 1978, 1 page.
- 3.13.9 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; blue paper; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Membership Report Blank”, 26 September 1978, 1 page.
- 3.13.10 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Membership Report Blank”, December 1978, 2 pages.
- 3.13.11 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Branch Life Membership Report Form”, 23 December 1978, 1 page.
- 3.13.12 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Membership Report Blank”, 23 December 1978, 2 pages.
- 3.13.13 Document (printed form; handwritten and typewritten entries; photocopy; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Membership Report Blank”, 24 March 1979, 2 pages.
- 3.13.14 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; blue paper; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY” letterhead), “Membership Report Blank”, 30 September 1979, 1 page.

- 3.13.15 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; blue paper; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY" letterhead), "Membership Report Blank", 30 September 1979, 1 page.
- 3.13.16 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; blue paper; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY" letterhead), "Membership Report Blank", 29 December 1979, 1 page.
- 3.13.17 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY" letterhead), "Membership Report Blank", 10 June 1980, 1 page.
- 3.13.18 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY" letterhead), "Membership Report Blank", 10 August 1980, 1 page.
- 3.13.19 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; blue paper; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY" letterhead), "Membership Report Blank", 17 September 1980, 1 page.
- 3.13.20 Document (typewritten; photocopy), List of Members, 28 November 1980, 1 page.
- 3.13.21 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), "Annual Dues Notice", 29 December 1980, 2 pages.
- 3.13.22 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY" letterhead), "Membership Report Blank", 18 February 1981, 2 pages.
- 3.13.23 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy); "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Membership Report Form", 11 March 1981, 1 page.
- 3.13.24 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy); "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Membership Report Form", 23 March 1981, 1 page.
- 3.13.25 Memorandum (typewritten; handwritten entries; photocopy), From Accounting Department, 31 March 1981, 2 pages, re: "... all membership reports received without payment will not be processed....".
- 3.13.26 Document (printed form; handwritten and typewritten entries; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY" letterhead), "Branch Life Membership Report Form", 6 May 1981, 3 pages.
- 3.13.27 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy); "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Membership Report Form", 25 May 1981, 1 page.
- 3.13.28 Letter (handwritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, to Mr. Muse, 10 March 1982, 1 page, re: "Please send some life membership report forms."
- 3.13.29 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY" letterhead), "Life Membership Report Form", 10 March 1982, 1 page.
- 3.13.30 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy); "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Membership Report Form", 15 March 1982, 1 page.
- 3.13.31 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY" letterhead), "Life Membership Report Form", 15 March 1982, 1 page.



- 3.13.32 Document (printed card; 3.5".x 8.5"), "Life Membership Subscribers Application", 18 February 1983, 1 page, re: Completed application for Fred A. Dolan, Jr.
- 3.13.33 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy); "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Membership Report Form", 11 October 1985, 1 page.
- 3.13.34 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; photocopy); "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Membership Report Form", 28 October 1985, 2 pages.
- 3.13.35 Document (photocopy), Cancelled Checks Numbers 554 and 558, 28 October 1985, 3 pages.
- 3.13.36 Letter (handwritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, 26 January 1986, 1 page, re: "...we have not received the enclosed memberships."
- 3.13.37 Invoice (printed form; typewritten entries, "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Detroit, Michigan" letterhead), "500 Membership Applications", 5 December 1986, 2 pages (including copy of check).
- 3.13.38 Memorandum (typewritten; photocopy), From Janice Washington, Membership Director, [Baltimore, Maryland], to Branch Presidents, Membership Chairpersons, 23 September 1987, 4 pages (plus envelope), re: "Fall Campaign and Membership Quotas".
- 3.13.39 Document (printed; photocopy), Membership List, 1990-1991, 4 pages.
- 3.13.40 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), Membership Solicitation Letter addressed to "Dear Friend, undated, 1 page (plus three handwritten drafts).
- 3.13.41 Document (printed form; typewritten entries; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY" letterhead), "Membership Report Blank", undated, 1 page.
- 3.13.42 Document (printed form; handwritten and typewritten entries; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY" letterhead), "Branch Life Membership Report Form", 29 December, 1 page.
- 3.13.43 Document (typewritten; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York, NY" letterhead), "New Schedule for Division of Membership Dues", undated, 1 page, re: listing money split between "Nat'l Office Share" and "Local Treasury".
- 3.13.44 Document (typewritten; photocopy), List of Members, undated, 2 pages, re: Member Names and Addresses.
- 3.13.45 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Officers" and "Members", undated, 1 page, re: List of Officers and Members Names.

**Folder 14: NAACP Deborah Hursey**

- 3.14.1 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "To whom It May Concern", 5 September 1975, 1 page, re: Statement by Deborah Hursey concerning Mrs. Debbie Claycomb.
- 3.14.2 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "To whom this Concern", 5 September 1975, 1 page, re: Statement by Deborah Hursey concerning Mrs. Debbie Claycomb.
- 3.14.3 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Ray H. Hodges, Human Relations Coordinator, Bloomington, Illinois, to Deborah M. Hursey, Bloomington, Illinois, 15 September 1975, 1 page, re: "...I contacted Mr. Paul Myers of Eureka Company concerting your desire to be reinstated as an employee."

- 3.14.4 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Paul Meyers, Factory Personnel, The Eureka Company, Bloomington, Illinois, 20 September 1975, 1 page, re: "We the N.A.A.C.P. request that you reconsider your decision."
- 3.14.5 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Emma Jean Black, State Of Illinois, Fair Employment Practices Commission, Springfield, Illinois, 26 September 1975, 1 page, re: "We are requesting a complaint form for Ms. Debarah [sic] Hussey."
- 3.14.6 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Fair Employment Practices Commission" letterhead), from Hurley D. Harris, Director, Springfield Office, Springfield, Illinois, to Deborah Hursey, Bloomington, Illinois, (with carbon copy to Merlin Kennedy, President), 20 October 1975, 1 page (plus "Complainant Information Sheet"), re: enclosing copy of an intake Questionnaire.
- 3.14.7 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Hurley D. Harris, Director, Springfield Office, Fair Employment Practices Commission Springfield, Illinois, 5 May 1976, 1 page, re: we "have not heard from your office.....".
- 3.14.8 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Fair Employment Practices Commission" letterhead), from Hurley D. Harris, Director, Springfield Office, Springfield, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, President, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Bloomington, Illinois, 25 May 1976, 1 page, re: "The investigator plans to be in your area on June 8....".
- 3.14.9 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Hurley D. Harris, Director, Springfield Office, Fair Employment Practices Commission Springfield, Illinois, 20 January 1977, 1 page, re: investigator has not contacted the complainant about Charge No. 76S-163.

**Folder 15: NAACP Individual Discrimination Complaints**

- 3.15.1 Letter (typewritten; "onion skin" paper), from unknown sender, to NAACP, Attn: Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 5 March 1968, 2 pages, re: marriage between Reuben Taylor and Bobbie Gordon.
- 3.15.2 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Fair Employment Practices Commission" letterhead), from John G. Cheeks, Director, Springfield Office, Springfield, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, President, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Bloomington, Illinois, 1 June 1971, 3 pages, re: enclosing "Fair Employment Practices Act, instruction sheet, experience and education sheet, and a set of charge forms" regarding the "employment problems" of Carl Mitchell.
- 3.15.3 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Modine Manufacturing Company" letterhead), from G. D. Marker, Personnel Manager, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, NAACP, Bloomington, Illinois, 30 March 1976, 1 page (plus 4 pages of handwritten drafts), re: "...I must deny your request to discuss the termination of Mr. Elijah Betts."

- 3.15.4 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Ray Rogers, General Manager, General Purpose Control Department, General Electric Company, Bloomington, Illinois, 30 March 1976, 2 pages, re: I read your Equal Opportunity Policy which was in the Daily Reporter.
- 3.15.5 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "General Electric" letterhead), from Jim Kahias, Manager-Personnel Relations, General Purpose Control Department, General Electric Company, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, President, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Bloomington, Illinois, 8 April 1976, 2 pages, re: "... I am not aware of any 'Minority problems, promotions, working condition and apprenticeship program', which you have alluded to in your letter."; would appreciate referral "... on any qualified minority candidate... [for] our GE Apprentice Program."
- 3.15.6 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Hamilton Davis, D.C.A.S.A. Chicago [Defense Contract Administration Services District], O'Hare International Airport, Chicago, Illinois, 4 May 1976, 1 page, re: need help in "finding a method to communicate with Modine Manufacturing Company" about their Affirmative Action Program.
- 3.15.7 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Carol Kiran, D.C.A.S.A. Chicago [Defense Contract Administration Services District], O'Hare International Airport, Chicago, Illinois, 5 May 1976, 1 page, re: "The General Electric Plant may be in compliance with the minority quota of their work force, but problems are still surfacing."
- 3.15.8 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "The Eureka Company" letterhead), from C. Paul Meyer, Manager Factory Personnel, Bloomington, Illinois, to Mr. Kennedy, 10 May 1976, 1 page, re: contact us if you know anyone who would be interested in applying for apprentice positions.
- 3.15.9 Letter (typewritten; "The Eureka Company" letterhead), from R. A. Sproat, Assistant Treasurer, Bloomington, Illinois, to Mr. Merlin Kennedy, President, Bloomington-Normal N.A.A.C.P., Bloomington, Illinois, 11 May 1976, 2 pages, re: advertisement for Apprentice Programs to be run in the Daily Pantagraph.
- 3.15.10 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "General Electric" letterhead), from Jim Kahias, Manager-Personnel Relations, General Purpose Control Department, Bloomington, Illinois, Bloomington, Illinois, to Carol Kiran, Equal Opportunity Specialist, Contractor Compliance Division, Defense Contract Administration Services District, Chicago, Illinois, with copy to M. R. Kennedy, 12 May 1976, 2 pages, re: "I hope I have clarified Mr. Kennedy's letter ...".
- 3.15.11 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Allen S. Ware, to Merlin R. Kennedy, President N.A.A.C.P., Bloomington, Illinois, 18 May 1976, 2 pages, re: "I am writing this letter to expose the discriminatory practices that exist in the Tool and Die Apprentice Program at General Electric."
- 3.15.12 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Robert Hopkins, to Merlin R. Kennedy, President of N.A.A.C.P., Bloomington, Illinois, 20 May 1976, 1 page, re: "This letter is in reference to the manner in which I was treated while working at General Electric."

- 3.15.13 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Paxton Bowers, City Attorney, City of Bloomington, 24 May 1976, 1 page, re: request a hearing for Ticket #C 72085 "alleged violation #9".
- 3.15.14 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Sgt. Thomas, to Ass't Chief DeVault, 16 April 1979, 2 pages, re: Incident at Payless Shoe Store involving Gloria Hursey.
- 3.15.15 Document (handwritten; "Write It! Inter-Office Communication Eureka Vacuum Cleaners" letterhead), from Roy Breedlove, 25 May 1987, 1 page, re: discrimination complaint from Brian Thompson at Tuxedo Junction Tavern.
- 3.15.16 Letter (typewritten), from Dick Taylor, to Mr. Breedlove, NAACP, Normal, Illinois, 26 September 1987, 1 page (plus attorney business card from Glenn H. Collier, Jackson, Mitchell & Collier, Peoria, Illinois), re: "I am asking for support from the NAACP in the matter of regaining my job back from United Parcel Service, Inc."
- 3.15.17 Document (handwritten), "Case", 28 January 1988, 1 page, re: Donna Glover complaint against Union Insurance.
- 3.15.18 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Edward M. Allen, Victim, to Merlin R. Kennedy, President, NAACP, Bloomington, Illinois, 30 April 1989, 1 page, re: "I am writing to request legal assistance in a matter in which I have been wrongfully accused of a crime...."
- 3.15.19 Letter (handwritten), from [illegible name], Normal, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, Normal, Illinois, 5 September 1990, 2 pages (plus envelope), re: complaint about Beverly Roberts at Bloomington Nursing and Rehab Center.
- 3.15.20 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Russell Davis, Manager Factor Personnel, Eureka Williams Company, Division of National Union Electric Corporation, Bloomington, Illinois, undated, 1 page, re: Maxine Rodgers termination.
- 3.15.21 Document (handwritten; 5" x 8" size paper; "ABF" letterhead), "Points that are missed in writing grievances sometimes.", undated, 2 pages.

**Folder 16: NAACP Correspondence 1967-1976**

- 3.16.1 Letter (typewritten), from Thomas D. Wilson, Chairman of Ways and Means Committee, Vice President, McLean County Economic Opportunity Corporation, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin, 25 November 1967, 1 page (plus 3 page memo, "To: Those Concerned About the Cut-back in the Local Head Start Program", dated 6 November 1967), re: "We are seeking your interest and support in providing a Head Start program for the children excluded from the Bloomington Head Start program this year."
- 3.16.2 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Brokaw Hospital" letterhead), from Jerry E. Poole, Administrator, Normal, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington-Normal N.A.A.C.P., Bloomington, Illinois, 20 February 1968, 1 page, re: "We are most agreeable to have a meeting with you...."
- 3.16.3 Memorandum (typewritten; photocopy), from W. C. Patton, to Branch Presidents, October 1968, 2 pages, re: "I hope you will, as president, give all the support possible to the committees now at work."
- 3.16.4 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Tri-County (Peoria) Urban League" letterhead), from C. Flipper, Peoria, Illinois, to Dear Brother, 9 July 1969, 1 page, re: "...campaign to recruit

Black high school graduates for apprentice training with the local construction trade unions.”

- 3.16.5 Document (printed), NAACP Housing Bulletin, “New Housing Publications”, October 1969, 2 pages.
- 3.16.6 Memorandum (typewritten; photocopy; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from Lucille Black, Secretary for Membership, to The Freedom Fund Chairman, 8 April 1970, 1 page, re: “We have asked your Branch to set a quota to include its regular contribution to the National Freedom Fund and the Annual assessment....”.
- 3.16.7 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to James B. Holderman, Executive Director, State of Illinois Board of Higher Education, Chicago, Illinois, 27 January 1971, 1 page, re: “...community would profit by the Title I HEA Proposal....”.
- 3.16.8 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Board of Education District Number 87” letterhead), from George Stimeling, Superintendent, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, President, NAACP Bloomington-Normal Branch, Bloomington, Illinois, 24 May 1971, 4 pages, re: response to your questionnaire.
- 3.16.9 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to R. A. Sproat Office Personnel, Eureka Williams Company, Division of National Union Electric Corp., Bloomington, Illinois, 26 September 1971, 1 page, re: list of Black Churches and Clergymen.
- 3.16.10 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to R. A. Sproat Office Personnel, Eureka Williams Company, Division of National Union Electric Corp., Bloomington, Illinois, 26 September 1971, 1 page, re: list of NAACP Presidents near Bloomington.
- 3.16.11 Document (printed form; typewritten entries), Summons and Petition, “In the Interest of James Butcher, Jr., Alleged to be a Delinquent Minor”, Case No. 71 853, State Of Illinois, Circuit Court of the 11<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, McLean County, Illinois, 15 November 1971, 3 pages.
- 3.16.12 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, 5 December 1971, 1 page, re: December 9 meeting at Sunnyside Neighborhood Center.
- 3.16.13 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Peoria Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from John H. Gwynn, Jr., President, Illinois State Conferences of NAACP Branches, Peoria, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington-Normal Branch, NAACP, Bloomington, Illinois, 15 December 1971, 1 page (plus \$25.00 Receipt No. 284, and envelope), re: Thank you for contribution to Special Legal Fund; court date for Montgomery Wards demonstration arrestees being re-scheduled.
- 3.16.14 Letter (typewritten; handwritten entries; “Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), 2 January 1972, 1 page

- (plus USPS "return card", Form 3811), re: list of names who received a \$20.00 gift certificate purchased at the Kroger store.
- 3.16.15 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to The Honorable Mayor and City Council Members, Bloomington, Illinois, 31 January 1972, 1 page, re: Questions about Black employment in City.
- 3.16.16 Letter (typewritten; "Eureka Williams Company" letterhead), from R. A Sproat, Assistant Treasurer, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington-Normal Branch of N.A.A.C.P., Bloomington, Illinois, 8 August 1972, 1 page, re: "openings for two experienced key punch or key tape operators....".
- 3.16.17 Document (printed form; typewritten entries), Contract between Bloomington Broadcasting Corporation, and N.A.A.C.P., 3-8 December 1973, 1 page, re: Advertising on Radio Station WJBC/WBNQ
- 3.16.18 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Obstetrics and Gynecology, Ltd." letterhead), from A. K. Patel, M.D., Bloomington, Illinois, to "To whom it may concern", 16 July 1975, 1 page, re: Jackie Brown has "my permission to work in the factory standing on her feet for eight hours a day."
- 3.16.19 Letter (typewritten; "United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry" letterhead), from Walter J. Petry, Business Manager, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 11 May 1976, 1 page, re: Local 99 Plumber and Pipefitters Union will be accepting applications for pipe trades apprentices.
- 3.16.20 Letter (typewritten; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Susie Stiger, Treasure [sic], and Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Murrel Outlaw, Membership Chairperson, N.A.A.C.P. National Office, New York, New York, 27 September 1976, 1 page, re: List of Contributors to Special Contribution Fund; plus handwritten notes of back about a "Brain Study".
- 3.16.21 Letter (typewritten; "Ralston Purina Company" letterhead), from Robert D. Doenitz, Area Controller, Chow Division, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 27 December 1976, 3 pages (including job description), re: "... we are presently accepting applications for the position of Maintenance Mechanic Class B."

**Folder 17: NAACP Correspondence 1977-1983**

- 3.17.1 Letter (typewritten; "Mitchell, Hall & Jones, P.C., Attorneys and Counselors" letterhead), from Sophia H. Hall, Chicago, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, c/o NAACP, Bloomington, Illinois, 15 February 1977, 1 page (plus envelope), re: "I received the honorarium in connection with the Wild Game Dinner at which I spoke."
- 3.17.2 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Phi Delta Kappa, Zeta Beta Chapter" letterhead), from William Legge, President, and Donald Melican, Program Chairman, Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois, to Merlin R. Kennedy, President, NAACP-B-N Branch, Bloomington, Illinois, 25 April 1977, 2 pages (plus envelope), re: Sponsorship of 13 May 1977 workshop, entitled "Responsibility Education: A Community Project".

- 3.17.3 Letter (typewritten), from Donald Melican, Program Chairman, and June Scanell, Program Services, Bloomington, Illinois, to Interested Citizen, 14 June 1977, 3 pages (plus envelope addressed to Merlin R. Kennedy, President, NAACP – Normal Branch, Bloomington, Illinois; and May 1977 issue of Responsibility Education Newsletter, Vol 2, No. 1), re: Summary and of concerns and recommendations from 13 May 1977 program, entitled “Responsibility Education: A Community Project.
- 3.17.4 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to John D. Craimar, Chief Personnel Officer, Springfield, Illinois, 21 August 1977, 1 page, re: “Affirmative action program, Minority intimidation and abuse at the Bloomington DOT Yard, by Engineer Mr. Fred Mariani”.
- 3.17.5 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “WJBC Editorial #1396”, Bloomington, Illinois, 30 August 1977., 1 page (plus envelope addressed to Berlin [sic] Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois), re: “Recent events in Towanda involving a black ISU graduate student....”.
- 3.17.6 Letter (typewritten; “General Telephone Company of Illinois” letterhead), from H. A. Ohms, Employment Manager, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 13 December 1977, 1 page (plus GTE Brochure entitled, “Affirmative Action”, undated, 20 pages including cover), re: “General Telephone Company of Illinois is dedicated to a policy assuring equal employment opportunities for all.”.
- 3.17.7 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Harold W. Schaefer, President, The Eureka Company, Bloomington, Illinois, 8 February 1978, 1 page, re: “We ... request prompt action on the change of salary grade for Mr. Merlin R. Kennedy.”.
- 3.17.8 Letter (typewritten; “McLean County Association for Mental Health” letterhead), from The Mental Health Association in McLean County, Bloomington, Illinois, 15 March 1978, 3 pages (plus envelope addressed to NAACP, Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois), re: Association is sponsoring 25 April 1978 workshop, entitled “Creative Worry Clinic for Women”
- 3.17.9 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Emery G. David , President of S.A.G.E., Bloomington, Illinois, 26 December 1978, 1 page, re: “... sincerely grateful ... for your generous donation....”.
- 3.17.10 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Board of Education District Number 87 McLean County” letterhead), from Norman T. Jones, President, and George C. Stimeling, Superintendent of Schools, Bloomington, Illinois, January 1979, 1 page tri-fold (plus envelope and prepaid return envelope, re: “Needs Assessment Survey for the Bloomington Public Schools”.
- 3.17.11 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from NAACP, to Provost Horner, 5 March 1979, 4 pages, re: “Recommendations for the deficiencies in the Report on the Basic Skills of students at ISU”.
- 3.17.12 Letter (handwritten; photocopy), form Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington-Normal Branch NAACP, 19 May 1980, 1 page, re: “The economical crush will be very costly for many minority inhabitants in America.”.
- 3.17.13 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; orange paper; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from Mildred Bond Roxborough, New

- York, New York, to Board of Directors, Presidents and Secretaries of Branches Youth Councils, College Chapters and State Conferences, August 1981, 5 pages, re: 73rd Annual Convention, Boston, Massachusetts.
- 3.17.14 Letter (typewritten; "Washington Bureau National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Althea T. L. Simmons, Director, Washington, D. C., to NAACP Leader and/or Operation Network Participant, 23 August 1981, 2 August 1981, 8 pages, re: enclosing update of status of Rodino Bill, Voting Rights Act Extension, and a sample news release; contact your Congressperson.
- 3.17.15 Memorandum (typewritten; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Leroy Mobley, National Coordinator, Tag Day, New York, New York, to Branch Presidents/Tag Day Coordinator, 26 October 1981, 4 pages, re: Suggestions for conducting a successful Tag Day Drive.
- 3.17.16 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Bloomington Pubic Library Use of Meeting Rooms", 16 March 1982, 2 pages.
- 3.17.17 Document (typewritten; blue paper), "\$20,000 New Scholarships, Agnes Jones Jackson Scholarship", 26 April 1982, 1 page.
- 3.17.18 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "NAACP Special Contribution Fund" letterhead), from Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, Executive Director, and Rev. Julius C. Hope, Director, Detroit, Michigan, to Bishop Hubert N. Robinson, Indianapolis, Indiana, 20 August 1982, 1 page, re: "... grateful for your willingness in accepting the responsibility to serve as the 1982 Annual NAACP Church Financial Campaign Coordinator....".
- 3.17.19 Memorandum (typewritten; photocopy; "Illinois State Conference of NAACP Branches, Political Action Division" letterhead), from Jimmie Voss, Chairman/Political Action, Springfield, Illinois, to Branch President, Political Action/Membership Chairpersonship Committee, 24 September 1982, 2 pages, re: "S E X"; 2 October 1982 workshop moved to Sangamon State University; location map.
- 3.17.20 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Fourth Episcopal District, African Methodist Episcopal Church" letterhead), from Hubert N. Robinson, Bishop, Indianapolis, Indiana, to State, Local Regional Executive NAACP, 19 October 1982, 1 page, re: "I have accepted the privilege of initiating a Financial Drive among the congregations-Pastors....".
- 3.17.21 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Fourth Episcopal District, African Methodist Episcopal Church" letterhead), from Presiding Bishop H. N. Robinson, Indianapolis, Indiana, to All Pastors, 4th Episcopal District, 19 October 1982, 1 page, re: N.A.A.C.P. Church Financial Campaign.
- 3.17.22 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Steve Brienan, County Sheriff, McLean County, Bloomington, Illinois, 6 December 1982, 1 page, re: seeking copy of film from 4 December 1982 demonstration outside Law and Justice Center.
- 3.17.23 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to Wm. R Brown, Cush lodge #25 A. F. & A. M., Bloomington, Illinois, 15 January 1983, 1 page, re: thank you for "generous donation".
- 3.17.24 Letter (typewritten; "Roland W. Burris, Comptroller, State of Illinois" letterhead), from Gloria W. Schisler, Administrative Assistant for the Comptroller, Springfield, Illinois, to



- Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 17 August 1983, 1 page, re: confirming acceptance to speak at 30 September Bloomington's NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet.
- 3.17.25 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Ray Hodges, Assistant City Manager, Bloomington, Illinois, to Mrs. Nomi Martin, Bloomington, Illinois, 14 October 1983, 1 page, re: confirming purchase of \$50.00 ad for Freedom Fund Banquet souvenir book.
- 3.17.26 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to "Greeting", 12 November 1983, 1 page, re: purchasing ads in Freedom Fund Banquet souvenir book.
- 3.17.27 Booklet (printed; plastic binder), "NAACP Bloomington-Normal Chapter presents A Freedom Fund Banquet", ISU Bone Student Center, [Normal, Illinois], 12 November 1983, 10 pages (plus blue cover; 2 copies).
- 3.17.28 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, to Sir, 18 November 1983, 1 page, re: enclosing copy of souvenir book from Freedom Fund Banquet.

**Folder 18: NAACP Correspondence 1984-2004.**

- 3.18.1 Letter (typewritten; photocopy), from Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, to Prisoner's Review Board, Corrected Reference Lincoln, Illinois, 9 December 1984, 1 page, re: "Inst. # N 40020 Sylvester Davis.
- 3.18.2 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Dorris Miller, Secretary, [Peoria, Illinois], to NAACP'ERS, 13 February 1985, 1 page, re: Peoria Branch is chartering a bus to the November 1985 Regional Conference in Charleston, West Virginia.
- 3.18.3 Document (printed form; handwritten entries; 3" x 3"), "N.A.A.C.P. Membership Receipt", 8 April 1986, 1 page, re: Carl E. Stringfield.
- 3.18.4 Letter (typewritten; "Illinois State University" letterhead), from Mildred Pratt, Professor and Stephaine Shaw, Assistant Professor, Bloomington-Normal, Illinois, to Mr. & Mrs. Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 11 April 1986, 2 page, re: requesting serve on Advisory Committee for Social History of Black People in Bloomington.
- 3.18.5 Document (handwritten; photocopy), Advertisement Flyer for "NAACP Voter's Registration Drive, Irving Center (Sunnyside), Bloomington, Illinois, 4 February 1988, 1 page.
- 3.18.6 Document (printed; photocopy), Advertisement Flyer for "Join the NAACP for a 'Get-out-the-vote' rally", M. W. Stringer Grand Lodge, Jackson, Mississippi, 15 October 1988, 1 page.
- 3.18.7 Letter (handwritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington, Illinois, to NAACP, Baltimore, Maryland, & March 1989, 1 page (plus USPS Certified Card, and Receipt for Certified Mail Certificate), re: "Please send a catalog of material....".
- 3.18.8 Document (2.5" x 3.5" membership card), "NAACP" for Merlin Kennedy, January 1990.
- 3.18.9 Letter (typewritten; "Ad Hoc Steering Committee for the McLean County Community Compact" letterhead), from Barbara Stuart, Chairman, Young Adult Problems Study

- Group, Normal, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, President, NAACP, Bloomington, Illinois, 24 May 1990, 3 pages (including "Mission Statement", and "A Brief Summary"), re: you have been invited to become a member of the McLean County Compact Council.
- 3.18.10 Booklet (printed), "4th Annual NAACP Freedom Fund Scholarship Banquet", Jumer's Chateau, 2 June 1990, 24 pages (plus cover), re: Autographed by Speaker Susan Taylor, Editor-in-chief, Essence Magazine.
- 3.18.11 Letter (typewritten; "Roadway Express, Inc." letterhead), from Michael Preston, Terminal Manager, Bloomington, Illinois, to N.A.A.C.P., Merlin R. Kennedy, President,, Bloomington, Illinois, 5 June 1980, 1 page (plus envelope), re: Accepting applications for the position of General Office Clerk.
- 3.18.12 Document (printed; photocopy), Advertisement Flyer for "15th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Awards Banquet", Bone Student Center Ballroom, 19 January 1991, 1 page, re: Guest Speaker, Juan Williams.
- 3.18.13 Document (2.5" x 3.5" membership card), "NAACP" for Merlin Kennedy, January 1991.
- 3.18.14 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Emily Bell, Bloomington Human Relations Department, Bloomington, Illinois, to NAACP, Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 28 January 1991, 1 page, re: "... sincerest gratitude for your support of the 15th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Awards Program."
- 3.18.15 Document (printed; typewritten entries), "Invoice, Cross Publishing", Santa Ana, California, Account NO. 207794-00, to NAACP, Attn- Merlin R. Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 13 March 1991, 1 page, re" Paralegal Litigation Forms.
- 3.18.16 Memorandum (typewritten; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Benjamin L. Hooks, Executive Director, Baltimore, Maryland,, to All NAACP Units, 25 April 1991, 1 page, re: "Save American Jobs Campaign (Alert)".
- 3.18.17 Document (printed; photocopy), Advertisement Flyer for "NAACP Radiothon Workshop", from Jondelle Johnson, Atlanta, Georgia, 26 June 1991, 1 page, re: 26 October 1991 is Radiothon Day, George Brown Convention Center, Houston, Texas.
- 3.18.18 Memorandum (typewritten; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Benjamin L. Hooks, Executive Director, Baltimore, Maryland,, to NAACP Regional Directors, State Conference Presidents and Branch Presidents, 8 October 1991, 1 page (plus envelope), re: "NAACP Participants in Redistricting.
- 3.18.19 Document (printed; photocopy), "Bloomington/Normal Branch NAACP Installation Program", Normal Public Library, 18 January 2001, 1 page, re: New Officers.
- 3.18.20 Newspaper Article (photocopy), "Public praises, pans Normal PD", by Sharon K. Woulfe, The Pantagraph, 30 April 2002, 1 page.
- 3.19.21 Document (typewritten; photocopy), Radio Station WJBC "Forum" Commentary, by Mike William, "Normal Police Department Accreditation", 2 May 2002, 2 pages.
- 3.19.22 Article (photocopy), "Collecting Statistics in Response to Racial Profiling Allegations", by Karen J Kruger, J.D., FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin, May 2002, 4 pages (pp. 88-11).
- 3.19.23 Memorandum (typewritten; "American Line Builders Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee" letterhead), from Howard Miller, Director, to Applicable State Supervisors – Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, et al., 11 June 2004, 4 pages (plus envelope)

addressed to NAACP, Bloomington, Illinois), re: "Apprenticeship Training Opportunity Notice".

**Folder 19: NAACP Miscellaneous**

- 3.19.1 Document (typewritten; orange paper; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), "Member's Instruction Sheet", undated, 2 pages (including blue "NAACP Summary Order Form"), re: Information on selling NAACP Products to raise funds.
- 3.19.2 Document (handwritten; photocopy), "NAACP would like to hear from you...", undated, 1 page, re: Seeking information about concerns with "Blm-Normal Education System".
- 3.19.3 Document (typewritten), "Civil Rights", undated, 3 pages, re: Resolution "... that the NAACP direct its units to step up the fight to preserve civil rights gains....".
- 3.19.4 Document (handwritten; 6" x 8.5" paper), "CK on private country clubs receiving loans from Federal Gov.", undated, 1 page.
- 3.19.5 Document (handwritten; photocopy; pink paper), "The Bloomington AVC invites you to join us for a Retirement Reception for Barb Waddell", undated, 1 page.
- 3.19.6 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Discussion questions for the Movie Black and White Uptight", undated, 1 page (plus 2 page "mimeographed" version).
- 3.19.7 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Race-Relations Bibliography", undated, 1 page, re: list of books.
- 3.19.8 Letter (handwritten; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from [Merlin R. Kennedy], Bloomington, Illinois, to Ladies and Gentlemen, undated, 4 pages, re: summary of 1st 100 questionnaires returned pertaining to NAACP job opportunity survey.
- 3.19.9 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "The Conference", undated, 72 pages, re: "Steps in Conference Planning".
- 3.19.10 Document (printed; blue paper), "The Job Hunter's Bookshelf", undated, 1 page (plus envelope and return envelope), re: List of Books for Sale.
- 3.19.11 Document (printed; blue paper), "Job Coach Newsletter", from Behavioral Images, Bloomington, Illinois, undated, 1 page (plus 1/3 page "Job Coach" ad on yellow paper, mailing envelope, and return postcard), re: Article entitled, "Are We All Really Underemployed?".
- 3.19.12 Document (printed; orange paper), "Young Voices - Does our town really honor diversity?", undated, 1 page, re: Event to be held McLean County Museum, sponsored by Not In Our Town, and Bloomington's and Normal's Human Relations Commissions.
- 3.19.13 Document (handwritten; 5" x 8.5" blue paper), "1954 Desegregation Decision", undated, 2 pages, re: "We need a positive approach to all social problems of the community."
- 3.19.14 Memorandum (typewritten; photocopy; "National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), from Arrell D. White, Baltimore, Maryland, to Branch Officer, Bloomington, Illinois, undated, 2 pages, re: "your Branch Number is 3001".
- 3.19.15 Document (typewritten; photocopy; "Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People" letterhead), "Legal Redress Committee", undated, 1 page, re: Description of Legal Redress Committee.
- 3.19.16 Document (typewritten; photocopy), Reprint of "The Necessity of Thinking Black", by John David Maguire, May 1970, 11 pages.

- 3.19.17 Document (typewritten; photocopy; blue paper), "Race-ism", by Jim Cole, undated, 1 page, re: "Compliments of the Community Relations Division, City of Bloomington".
- 3.19.18 Document (typewritten; photocopy; yellow paper), "Handout #2, Fact Sheet on Black Americans", undated, 1 page.
- 3.19.19 Document (typewritten form; photocopy; handwritten entries), "City of Bloomington, Illinois Application for Permit to Solicit Funds on Street", undated, 6 pages.
- 3.19.20 Document (typewritten; "onion-skin" carbon copy), "Questions and Discussion", undated, 1 page, re: "A canvassing project for members of civil rights groups to become acquainted with Negroes in the Wood Hill area and Sunnyside Court."

**Folder 20: Housing Issues (Dated)**

- 3.20.1 Letter (typewritten; "Housing and Home Finance Agency, Urban Renewal Administration" letterhead), from William L. Slayton, Urban Renewal Commissioner, Washington, D.C., "Local Public Agency Letter No. 256", 30 November 1962, 4 pages (plus 13 page attachment, "Regulations and Instructions On Equal Opportunity In Housing Issued By The Housing and Home Finance Agency Under the President's Executive Order No. 11063"), re: "The purpose of this letter is to describe the applicability and effect of the Executive Order...on urban renewal projects ... under Title I of the Housing Act of 1949....".
- 3.20.2 Pamphlet (printed; 4" x 8.5"), "20 Questions & Answers On Urban Renewal", Urban Renewal Administration, Housing and Home Finance Agency, Washington, D.C., February 1963, 14 pages.
- 3.20.3 Pamphlet (printed; 6" x 9"), "Questions & Answers, President's Executive Order No. 11063, Equal Opportunity In Housing", Housing and Home Finance Agency, Washington, D.C., April 1963, 8 pages.
- 3.20.4 Pamphlet (printed; bi-fold), "Loans to Cooperative Serving Rural Families With Low Incomes", U. S. Dept. Of Agriculture/Farmers Home Administration, June 1965, 1 page.
- 3.20.5 Memo (typewritten; green paper), From Larry LeFebvre, Director of Urban Renewal, to Citizen's Community Improvement Committee, 7 December 1965, 2 pages, re: attaching two reprints "that I think are a rather light relief....".
- 3.20.6 Document (typewritten; photocopy), "Looking Into The Future, City of Bloomington, Illinois", 5 December 1966, 2 pages, re: list of actions.
- 3.20.7 Newspaper Clipping, "Normal Protest March Peaceful", the Pantagraph, 24 February 1967, re: "Anti-Open Occupancy referendum protestors.
- 3.20.8 Letter (typewritten; "mimeograph" copy), from Merlin R. Kennedy, President, Bloomington-Normal Branch NAACP, to Those Interested in Freedom of Housing, 14 July 1967, 1 page, re: "substituted" proposed open occupancy ordinance not acceptable; "...the enforcement provisions of the law have undergone a complete dental job in that all teeth have vanished.....".
- 3.20.9 Pamphlet (printed; 4" x 8.5"), "Rules Governing Practice and Procedure Before the Chicago Commission On Human Relations Relating to the Chicago Fair Housing Ordinance", City of Chicago Commission on Human Relations, September 1967, 14 pages.
- 3.20.10 Newspaper Clipping, "ISU Students In New March", by Dave Haake, The Pantagraph, 14 December 1967, re: Protesting Normal's Open Occupancy Law.

- 3.20.11 Letter (typewritten; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from William R. Morris, Director of Housing Programs, New York, New York, to All Branch Presidents, and Housing Chairmen and State Conference Presidents, 1 March 1968, 1 page (plus 2 page “Housing Questionnaire” with handwritten entries), re: “Housing is the most pressing need we have in America today.”.
- 3.20.12 Newspaper Clipping, “Warren, Us Going to Normal Council”, unknown source [The Pantagraph?], 15 April 1968, re: Normal’s “open occupancy” ordinance as it relates to discrimination in owner-occupied residences.
- 3.20.13 Brochure (printed; 4” x 8.5”), “Citizen’s Guide to The Federal Fair Housing Law of 1968”, National Committee Against Discrimination In Housing, New York, New York, May 1968, 24 pages.
- 3.20.14 Documents (printed form; typewritten entries), “Veterans Administration Sales Listing Loan Guarantee Division”, 8 May 1968, 8 pages, re: Houses for Sale in Macon County, Illinois.
- 3.20.15 Letter (typewritten; “Department of Housing and Urban Development, Federal Housing Administration” letterhead), from B. R. Harper, Springfield, Illinois, to City Manager, Bloomington, Illinois, 16 July 1968, 1 page, re: New brochure entitled, “Anyone Can Buy An FHA-Owned House”.
- 3.20.16 Letter (typewritten; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from William R. Morris, Director of Housing Programs, New York, New York, “Guidelines for Branches”, August 1968, 3 pages, re: “Understanding The Supreme Court Decision Banning Racial Discrimination In All Housing”.
- 3.20.17 Brochure (printed; 4” x 8.5”), “A Year of Financial and Social Growth Providing More Housing Open to All”, M-REIT, New York, New York, 1968, 8 pages, re: Annual Report.
- 3.20.18 Brochure (printed; tri-fold), “Your Housing Rights; Live Where You Want to Live”, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C., 1969, 1 page.
- 3.20.19 Pamphlet (printed), “Equal Opportunity; Fair Housing Law and Other Federal Civil Rights Laws”, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C., 15 January 1969, 56 pages.
- 3.20.20 Newsletter (printed; brown paper), “Commission Notes: News of Interest to Local Human Relations Commissions In Illinois”, from Illinois Commission on Human Relations, Chicago, Illinois, February 1969, 2 pages.
- 3.20.21 Letter (typewritten; “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People” letterhead), from William R. Morris, Director of Housing Programs, New York, New York, “Procedures For Enforcement Of The Federal Fair Housing Law”, February 1969, 3 pages (plus mailing envelope), re: Includes printed form, “Housing Discrimination Complaint” from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- 3.20.22 Pamphlet (printed), “Better Communities: HUD Programs to Improve Community Life”, from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, April 1969, 20 pages (plus cover).

- 3.20.23 Pamphlet (printed; quadra-fold), "New Communities", U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C., June 1969, 8 pages.
- 3.20.24 Pamphlet (printed; 4" x 8.5"), "The model Cities Program, Question & Answers", U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C., June 1969, 20 pages.
- 3.20.25 Newsletter (printed), "NAACP Housing Bulletin", New York, New York, July 1969, 3 pages, re: "'Suburbia': Civil Rights Next Battle Ground", by William R. Morris, Director of Housing Programs.
- 3.20.26 Brochure (printed; quadra-fold), "Fair Housing: What It Means To You", U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C., July 1969, 8 pages.
- 3.20.26 Newsletter (printed), "Trends In Housing", National Committee Against Discrimination In Housing, Inc., New York, New York, Volume XIII, Number 9. 1969, 4 pages.
- 3.20.27 Newsletter (printed), "Trends In Housing", National Committee Against Discrimination In Housing, Inc., New York, New York, Volume XIV, Number 1, Winter 1970, 8 pages.
- 3.20.28 Newsletter (printed), "Trends In Housing", National Committee Against Discrimination In Housing, Inc., New York, New York, Volume XIV, Number 2. March-April 1970, 4 pages.
- 3.20.29 Newsletter (printed), "Trends In Housing", National Committee Against Discrimination In Housing, Inc., New York, New York, Volume XIV, Number 4. 1970, 8 pages.
- 3.20.30 Brochure (printed), "Fair Housing U.S.A.", U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C., March 1971, 10 pages.
- 3.20.31 Poster (9" x 20"), "Some doors are harder to open than others.", U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C., June 1971.
- 3.20.32 Letter (typewritten), from Irving Horwitz, Assistant Regional Administrator for Equal Opportunity, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Beatrice Young, Executive Director, Illinois Commission on Human Relations, 10 April, 1972, 2 pages (plus return registration postcard), re: "A Conference on Equal Housing Opportunities In Your Community" to be held at First Methodist Church, Peoria, Illinois.
- 3.20.33 Letter (typewritten; "City of Bloomington" letterhead), from Ray H. Hodges, Human Relations Coordinator, Bloomington, Illinois, to Affirmative Action Committee Member, 20 October 1975, 1 page, re: meeting set to discuss Affirmative Action Program before sending to City Council.
- 3.20.34 Document (typewritten), "Resolution No. 665, Statement of Personnel Policies", from The Housing Authority of the City of Bloomington, Illinois, 24 August 1981, 4 pages.
- 3.20.35 Letter (typewritten; "Housing Authority of the City of Bloomington, Illinois" letterhead), from Lawrence E. Irvin, Executive Director, Bloomington, Illinois, to Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington, Illinois, 27 August 1981, 1 page (plus copy of 1 page letter from Mr. Irvin, to Faye Brown, Bloomington, Illinois, terminating service with Housing Authority), re: thank you for meeting "with us and Faye Brown."

**Folder 21: Housing Issues (Undated)**

- 3.21.1 Booklet (typewritten), "Fair Housing Legislation Fact Book: A Summary of State Legislation and Local Illinois Ordinances", from Illinois Commission on Human Relations, Chicago and Springfield, Illinois, undated, 24 pages.

- 3.21.2 Letter (typewritten; “National Committee Against Discrimination In Housing” letterhead), from Myrna Loy, New York, New York, undated, 2 pages (plus mailing envelope, and donation return envelope), re: solicitation for funds.
- 3.21.3 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Minority Group Housing Information”, undated, 1 page, re: “To Provide Assistance in Obtaining Housing” sponsored by The Housing Committee of the Open Forum.
- 3.21.4 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Statewide Housing Questionnaire”, from Peter L. Perdue, Co-Chairman, Housing Committee, Illinois State Conference NAACP, Danville, Illinois, undated, 2 pages.
- 3.21.5 Document (typewritten), “The Questionable Assumptions Behind Housing Codes and Urban Renewal”, by Thomas D. Wilson, undated, 4 pages, re: “... the usual assumption is that the poor are the ones who primarily benefited.... The real beneficiaries are more likely to be developers, banks businesses, lawyers and city planners.”.
- 3.21.6 Pamphlet (printed; 4” x 9” bi-fold), “Supreme Court Decision Civil Rights Act of 1866”, from National Committee Against Discrimination In Housing, New York, New York, undated, 4 pages, re: Jones v. Mayer 1968, prohibiting “racial discrimination in the sale or rental of all real property.”
- 3.21.7 Pamphlet (printed; 4” x 9” tri-fold), ““Anyone can buy an FHA-owned House””, from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Federal Housing Administration, Washington, D.C., undated, 6 pages, re: “FHA houses, wherever located, are sold to qualified purchasers, without regard to race, color, creed, or national origin.”.
- 3.21.8 Pamphlet (printed; 4” x 8.5” tri-fold), “Buying a Home: An important Business Transaction, steps to take for your protection”, from Illinois Bar Foundation, Springfield, Illinois, undated, 6 pages, re: “Many legal questions arise when you decide to become a home-owner”.
- 3.21.9 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Department of Housing and Urban Development” letterhead), from Irving Horwitz, Assistant Regional Administrator for Equal Opportunity, Chicago, Illinois, to Community Organizations, undated, 1 page (plus blank HUD Complaint Form), re: “... information about Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968....”.
- 3.21.10 Document (printed; blank form with 4 carbon copies), “National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Housing Complaint Report”, undated, 1 page.
- 3.21.11 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Proposal For Employment Program”, undated, 1 page, re: “... I propose to develop and distribute important information concerning some trade unions and their industries in Bloomington.”
- 3.21.12 Document (handwritten; “Insurance Management Services, Inc.” letterhead), undated, 2 pages, re: notes regarding “job opportunities”.
- 3.21.13 Document (typewritten; photocopy), “Model Rules and Regulations Governing Fair Housing Ordinances”, undated, 16 pages.

**Folder 22: American Legion: McBarnes Building**

- 3.22.1 Newspaper Clipping, “Davis Post Shuns Head of NAACP”, [The Pantagraph?], 24 May 1966, re: “We don’t take colored applications here”

- 3.22.2 Newspaper Clipping, “NAACP Vows Demonstration at McBarnes”, [The Pantagraph?], 25 May 1966, re: Demonstration at McBarnes Memorial Building, which is county owned.
- 3.22.3 Newspaper Clipping, “Kennedy Shuns Bid – Legionnaires; Talk Precedes Saturday’s Rights March”, The Pantagraph, 26 May 1966, re: “Adjutant Williams said Mr. Kennedy declined to accept the application because he could not be ‘guaranteed’ that he would be accepted.”.
- 3.22.4 Document (typewritten; carbon copy), “News Release”, 27 May 1966, 1 page (plus Page 2 of an affidavit signed by Merlin Kennedy, Bloomington-Normal Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People), re: Bloomington-Normal Branch of NAACP is entering a complaint concerning segregation by the American Legion in the McBarnes Building.
- 3.22.5 Newspaper Clipping, “NAACP Files Complaint In Legion Case”, [The Pantagraph?], 28 May 1966, re: “A complaint alleging that racial segregation exists in the McBarnes Memorial Building in violation of federal civil rights laws, was sent Friday morning to eight agencies.”.
- 3.22.6 Newspaper Clipping, “Civil Rights Issue In Memorial Parade”, [The Pantagraph?], 31 May 1966, re: “...float brought up the rear of the parade over protests of some Legionnaires.”.
- 3.22.7 Newspaper Clipping, “Negro Legion Rebuffs White; Korean War Veteran Asks Membership”, The Pantagraph, 2 June 1966, re: “A reporter for the Daily Pantagraph attempted to join the Redd-Williams American Legion Post ....”.
- 3.22.8 Newspaper Clipping, “White Gets Negro Post Application”, The Pantagraph, 5 June 1966.
- 3.22.9 Newspaper Clipping, “Reports NAACP Unit Support of Protest”, [The Pantagraph?], 11 June 1966, re: “...letter from State’s Atty. Hugh Henry, Jr. saying in essence that he had no authority to intervene in the case.”.

**Folder 23: Louise Pennick Condemnation**

- 3.23.1 Newspaper Clipping, “‘Us’ Attacks Eviction Order, Attitudes of City Counselor: Case Aired Before Human Relations Group”, The Pantagraph, 15 March 1966, re: “... housing counselor Ernest Kinzer was put on the defensive by an audience of US affiliates attending a meeting of the Bloomington Commission on Human Relations.”.
- 3.23.2 Newspaper Clipping, “‘US’ Gathers Force To Repair Old House”, The Pantagraph, 31 March 1966, re: House of Mrs. Louis Pate Pennick, located at 1712 [1714?] Illinois Street.
- 3.23.3 Newspaper Clipping, “By the Public: Corrects Housing Story”, Letter to the Editor by Ed Kane, The Pantagraph, 17 April 1966, re: “The Kane Family did not own this land, did not donate it, and most emphatically did not exclude Negroes.”.
- 3.23.4 Newspaper Clipping, “Outdoor Exercise; Willing Hands Repair House”, The Pantagraph, 23 May 1966.
- 3.23.5 Newspaper Clipping, “House Condemnation Hearing Tuesday Night”, [The Pantagraph?], 13 April 1968, re: administrative hearing before City Manager Wes McAllister.
- 3.23.6 Document (typewritten), “A Response To Urban Renewal, An Example of Institutional Racism”, Spring 1969, 2 pages, re: “In February 1966, US was informed [Housing



- Counselor, Ernie] Kinser had been trying to move an elderly lady from a housing project.”.
- 3.23.7 Document (typewritten), “Pushing People Around or How to ‘Upgrade A City’”, April 1969, 1 pages, re: Call to “enlighten the city rulers on the fact that ‘urban renewal’ embodies institutional racism and profiteering classism.”; contact Jack Porter at Community for Social Action.
- 3.23.8 Document (typewritten), “Who Stands Condemned?”, 13 May 1969, 3 pages, re: “Statement by the Community For Social Action on behalf of Mrs. Louis Pennick... at a condemnation hearing...”.
- 3.23.9 Newspaper Clipping, “Threat, Rowdyism Hurt Goal of Social Justice”, The Pantagraph, 18 May 1969, re: Serious presentation of objections to the city’s urban renewal and condemnation policies were marred by a gaggle of scofflaws whose only goal in attending any public meetings is disruption.”.
- 3.23.10 Newspaper Clipping, “Pennick Review Ordered”, The Pantagraph, 19 May 1969, re: “A condemnation order against Mrs. Louise Pennick, 1714 Illinois, was officially withdrawn Monday noon pending a review and study of the case by Urban Renewal Director Donald Tjaden.”.
- 3.23.11 Newspaper Clipping, “Hearing Not Chaotic”, Letter to the Editor from Thomas D. Wilson, The Pantagraph, 27 May 1969, re: “...the hearing was not as chaotic as many 3 believe it was.”.
- 3.23.12 Letter (typewritten; unsigned copy); from Ralph L. Smith, Normal, Illinois, to Editor, The Daily Pantagraph, Bloomington, Illinois, 28 May 1969, 1 page, re: “It should have been clear that this much abused lady and a hundred indignant citizens injected themselves into the urban renewal stew to declare that they want this aspect of their society to behave responsibly from here on out.”

**Folder 24: “US” and Housing Discrimination; Union Baptist Church**

- 3.24.1 Newspaper Clipping, “Missing Public Facilities Listed in Housing Report; Meeting Talks City’s Role in Problems, The Pantagraph, 8 February 1966, re: “... Housing Counselor Ernest Kinser reported Monday to the Citizens Community Improvement Committee.”
- 3.24.2 Newspaper Clipping, “”US’ Claims Discrimination In City’s Housing Projects”, by Dick Streckfuss, The Pantagraph, 22 February 1966, re: “... the management of the public housing came under the fire of the organization ‘Us’ Monday night for ‘geographical racial discrimination’.”.
- 3.24.3 Letter (typewritten; photocopy; “Housing Authority of the City of Bloomington, Illinois” letterhead), from Lawrence E. Irvin, Executive Director, Bloomington, Illinois, to George Warren, Spokesman for ‘Us’ Group, Union Baptist Church, Bloomington, Illinois, 23 February 1965, 2 pages, re: Board of Commissioners asked me to respond to your questions.
- 3.24.4 Newspaper Clipping, “Pressure Tactics Win”, [The Pantagraph?], 7 March 1966, re: “...there should be a halt to additional Great Society legislation while Washington and the country take time to assess what already has been wrought.”.
- 3.24.5 Letter (typewritten; carbon copy; yellow paper), “The following Spokesmen for US”, Union Baptist Church, Bloomington, Illinois to Board of Directors, Housing Authority, City of Bloomington c/o Lawrence E. Irvin, Executive Director, 14 March 1966, 2 pages

- (plus "mimeograph" copy with handwritten comments), re: "This is in reply to your letter of February 23, 1966 to US."
- 3.24.6 Newspaper Clipping, "Commission Gets Housing Case; Woman Seeks Kane Homes Apartment", [The Pantagraph?], 15 March 1966, re: "Bloomington Commission on Human Relations received a housing complaint....against the Bloomington Public Housing Authority ...brought in behalf of [a] ... woman by George Warren....".
  - 3.24.7 Document (typewritten), "Public Housing in Bloomington, Illinois", "Approved by the members of US", 21 March 1966, 14 pages (plus 16 page draft with handwritten comments), re: "This report has been prepared by US, a Bloomington-Normal group concerned with civil rights and related matters."
  - 3.24.8 Newspaper Clipping, "Not Good Guys vs. Bad", [The Pantagraph?], 24 March 1966, re: "...that generally excellent administration of the Housing Authority ... can be tarnished in the public's view by those who are skilled at making a mountain of discrimination out a molehill of an occasional lapse in a process of managerial routine."
  - 3.24.9 Newspaper Clipping, "Civil Rights Group Note To Get Answer", [The Pantagraph?], 29 March 1966, re: "Representatives of the militant civil rights groups 'US' were present Monday night at the Bloomington Housing Authority board meeting.....".
  - 3.24.10 Letter (typewritten; "Illinois Commission on Human Relations" letterhead), from Ivan R. Levin, Director of Field Services, Springfield, Illinois, to Dr. Ralph Smith, Normal, Illinois, 6 April 1966, 1 page, re: "First of all, what do the initial US stand for?"
  - 3.24.11 Letter (typewritten; "onion skin" paper), from Ralph L. Smith, Normal, Illinois, to Ivan R. Levin, Director Field Services, Illinois Commission on Human Relations, Springfield, Illinois, 7 April 1966, 2 pages, re: "I guest about ten people around town who had been fairly active in some fairly inactive organizations ....".
  - 3.24.12 Letter (typewritten; "Illinois Commission on Human Relations" letterhead), from Ivan R. Levin, Director of Field Services, Springfield, Illinois, to Mr. Ralph L. Smith, Normal, Illinois, 11 April 1966, 1 page, re: "... my personal opinion is that militance [sic] is necessary in order to make public officials do their jobs....".
  - 3.24.13 Newspaper Clipping, "Letter to the Editor; US Offers Action Agenda", by George Warren, for US, Normal, Illinois, The Pantagraph, 3 May 1966, re: "The US statement [to the Normal City Council] was not an 'ultimatum'."
  - 3.24.14 Letter (typewritten; "Illinois Commission on Human Relations" letterhead), from Ivan R. Levin, Director of Field Services, Springfield, Illinois, to Dr. Ralph Smith, Normal, Illinois, 12 May 1966, 1 page, re: "I am writing you because I do not recognize any of the other signatories to the complaint compiled by US and sent to me....".
  - 3.24.15 Letter (typewritten; "onion skin" paper), from Ralph L. Smith, Normal, Illinois, to Ivan R. Levin, Director Field Services, Illinois Commission on Human Relations, Springfield, Illinois, 21 May 1966, 2 pages, re: "I appreciate your personal interest in what is happening."
  - 3.24.16 Letter (typewritten; "Illinois Commission on Human Relations" letterhead), from Ivan R. Levin, Director of Field Services, Springfield, Illinois, to Dr. Ralph L. Smith, Normal, Illinois, 25 May 1966, 1 page, re: "I understand that the director of the State Housing Board will be in town primarily to look into the situation."
  - 3.24.17 Newspaper Clipping, "Human Relations Unit Picks Staff; Rhoads Chief; Kinzer's Role Puzzles Group", The Pantagraph, 26 July 1966, re: "the Rev. James Rhoads ...chaplain

- of Illinois State University was elected president of the Bloomington-Normal Human Relations Council.....”
- 3.24.18 Newspaper Clipping, “Kinzer’s Roles Stir Unofficial HRC; Council Tells Spokesmen Where to Go”, [The Pantagraph?], 23 August 1966, re: “...HRC feels that Housing Counselor Ernest Kinzer is playing two roles....”.
  - 3.24.19 Memorandum (typewritten; “Illinois Commission on Human Relations” letterhead), from Ivan R. Levin, Director of Field Services, Springfield, Illinois, to Dr. Ralph L. Smith, George Warren, Merlin Kennedy, Reverend Robert Reed, and Reverend James Rhoads, 10 November 1966, 1 page, re: “... Mr. Kenneth C. Jones of Washington, D.C., a representative of George Schermer Associates, will be in your community.”.
  - 3.24.20 Newspaper Clipping, “Brighter Sunnyside Realized”, by Dick Streckfuss, The Pantagraph, 7 February 1967, re: “Sunnyside Subdivision has lost most of its blight, in the process of which it has lost a good share of its houses.”.
  - 3.24.21 Newspaper Clipping, “Negro Youths Invade Pool Hall Second Time<sup>3</sup>”, The Pantagraph, 12 May 1968, re: “... the negro youths were part of a city gang called ‘Soul Brothers Inc.’.”.
  - 3.24.22 Newspaper Clipping, “Nursery Discrimination Charged by US Group”, The Pantagraph, 16 September 1968, re: “The eight pickets charged the nursery is racist in nature.”.
  - 3.24.23 Newspaper Clipping, “Rights Group Gets Letter In Jack & Jill ‘Incident’”, The Pantagraph, 17 September 1968, re: “In response to the picketing, Mrs. Bentley stated Monday that she had been unable to take three Negro children because her nursery already had its licensed capacity....”.
  - 3.24.24 Newspaper Clipping, “HRC Investigation Ordered In Charges Against Nursery”, The Pantagraph, 24 September 1968, re: “Investigation of ‘alleged discrimination’ against three mulatto children by an official of Normal’s Jack & Jill Day Care Nursery was ordered Monday night by the Normal’s Human Relations Commission.”.
  - 3.24.25 Newspaper Clipping, “No Thanks; Human Relations Group Declines Role as Housing Clearing House”, The Pantagraph, 24 September 1968, re: “The commission thanked the Open Forum for its suggestion but said the commission as an arm of municipal government has no right to go into the real estate business.”.
  - 3.24.26 Letter (typewritten; “onion skin” paper; “Illinois Commission on Human Relations” letterhead), from Ivan R. Levin, Director of Field Services, Springfield, Illinois, to Miss Darlene Nelson, Bloomington, Illinois, 14 October 1968, 1 page, re: “... regarding your complaint of racial discrimination in a place of public accommodations, namely, Lums Restaurant.....”.
  - 3.24.27 Newspaper Clipping, “Nursery Probe Group Finds Discrimination Proof Lacking”, by Dave Haake, The Pantagraph, 29 October 1968, re: “Investigation of alleged racial discrimination.... was closed Monday night by Normal’s Human Relations Commission.”.
  - 3.24.28 Newspaper Clipping, “Rejected; Normal Human Relations Unit Hear mass Resignation Request”, The Pantagraph, 29 October 1968, re: “George Warren ... urged that the seven commission members resign.”.
  - 3.24.29 Newspaper Clipping, “Urban Renewal Plans Win Praise, While City Practices Draw Fire”, by Bill Wills, The Pantagraph, 21 May 1969, re: “Only two Bloomington residents voiced objections to city urban renewal plans in the 40 Acres or downtown areas at a

- two-hour public hearing Tuesday night by the Citizen's Community Improvement Committee at city hall.”.
- 3.24.30 Newspaper Clipping, “A Civic Responsibility”, Letter to the Editor, by Russell S. Proctor, The Pantagraph, undated, re: “Recent picketing of my office for being a member of the Citizens Community Improvement Committee did not disturb nor displease me.”.
- 3.24.31 Newspaper Clipping, “Human Relations Group Upholds Housing Head; “US” takes Exception to Report”, The Pantagraph, undated, re: “The committee chairman outlined the results of a meeting between his group and Mr. Irvin...”.
- 3.24.32 Document (typewritten), “Supplement to the Community Renewal Program, Bloomington, Illinois”, undated, 3 pages (notation: “To be inserted in the text of the report following Page 51”), re: “Affirmative Program to Expand Housing Opportunities for Minority Groups”.
- 3.24.33 Document (typewritten; “onion skin” paper), “Insert I”, undated, 3 pages, re: “The failure of the Bloomington Housing Authority to observe due process in the selection of tenants was brought out clearly in the response of Mr. Lawrence Irvin...”.; Notation: “Passages either subject to probable hot debate or probably requiring verbal revision for clarity”.
- 3.24.34 Letter (typewritten), from G. F. Alcott, Bloomington, Illinois, to unknown addressee, undated, 1 page (appears to be second page only), re: :Of all of the group from Africa who stayed at the Rogers...”; “Larry [Irvin] had worked hard too.... and as manager of the Housing Units had aa responsibility which we do not have.”
- 3.24.35 Document (typewritten), “An Agenda For Human Decency in Bloomington-Normal, Proposed by US”, undated, 1 page, re: “The death of Dr. King has and has not changed anything.”.
- 3.24.36 Newspaper Clipping, “By the Public, US Wants New Power Base”, Letter to the Editor, from Emily Kensinger, [The Pantagraph?], undated, re: “Whether US over-reacts in criticizing official policies and actions depends on how you look at it.”.

**Folder 25: Wood Hill Urban Renewal Project**

- 3.25.1 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Larry LeFebvre, Director of Urban Renewal, to Citizen's Community Improvement Committee, Commission on Human Relations, Other Interest Parties, 28 June 1965, 1 page, re: Wood Hill Relocation.
- 3.25.2 Document (typewritten; “onion skin” paper), “Statement For Urban Renewal Meeting, Bloomington City Hall”, from Ralph L. Smith, Chairman, Housing Committee, Bloomington-Normal Human Relations Council, 12 July 1965, 2 page, re: Reaction to Wood Hill Relocation Report.
- 3.25.3 Minutes (typewritten), “Joint Meeting Citizen's Community Improvement Committee, Commission On Human Relations, Bloomington, Illinois”, submitted by Larry LeFebvre, Secretary, Citizen's Community Improvement Committee, 12 July 1965, 6 pages.
- 3.25.4 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Larry LeFebvre, Director of Urban Renewal, to Citizen's Community Improvement Committee, Bloomington Commission on Human Relations, 14 July 1965, 4 pages, re: Comments on Bloomington-Normal Human Relations Council Housing Committee Statement Regarding Wood Hill Relocation Report.

- 3.25.5 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Larry LeFebvre, Director of Urban Renewal, to Citizen's Community Improvement Committee, Commission on Human Relations, 16 July 1965, 1 page, re: "August 2, 1965 meeting".
- 3.25.6 Letter (typewritten; "onion skin" paper; "Housing and Home Finance Agency, Office of the Regional Administrator" letterhead), from A. Dean Swartzel, Regional Director of Urban Renewal, Chicago, Illinois, to Eugene G. Moody, City Manager, City of Bloomington, Bloomington, Illinois, 22 July 1965, 3 pages, re: Project No. Ill. R-66, Preliminary Review of a Draft of Code R-223, Relocation Report.
- 3.25.7 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Larry LeFebvre, Director of Urban Renewal, to Citizen's Community Improvement Committee, Commission on Human Relations, Honorable Mayor and City Council, 30 July 1965, 3 pages, re: Description of various groups that had "spokesmen" at the meeting, and are "concerned with human relations and civil rights....".
- 3.25.8 Memo (typewritten; photocopy), from Larry LeFebvre, Director of Urban Renewal, to Citizen's Community Improvement Committee, Commission on Human Relations, Honorable Mayor and City Council, 30 July 1965, 2 pages, re: Items of Interest; US flyer attached encouraging attendance at August 2 meeting.
- 3.25.9 Newspaper Clipping, "By the Public: Housing Action Limited", Letter to the Editor from Ralph L. Smith, Normal, Illinois, The Pantagraph, 30 July 1965, (plus typewritten; "onion skin" copy of Letter sent 22 July 1965), re: "... reply to last Sunday's editorial about the statement of the Housing Committee of the Bloomington-Normal Human Relations Council regarding the Wood Hill Relocation Report.".
- 3.25.10 Agenda (typewritten), Citizen's Community Improvement Committee, Commission On Human Relations Joint Meeting, Bloomington, Illinois, 2 August 1965, 1 page (plus envelope).
- 3.25.11 Newspaper Clipping, "Discrimination Issue Perils Wood Hill Redevelopment, Critics Fear Negroes' Fate In Relocation", by Jim Engelhorn, The Pantagraph, 3 August 1965, re: "The Wood Hill Urban Renewal Project took its worst pasting Monday night the it has, probably, in the 10 years since it was formally proposed.".
- 3.25.12 Document (typewritten), "Wood Hill In A Nutshell", submitted by Larry LeFebvre, Director of Urban Renewal, 16 November 1965, 27 pages (plus cover).
- 3.25.13 Document (typewritten), "Retirement" Poem, from "Wood Hill News", November 1977.