

John McClaughry (1937-)
ERA Files, 1984-1986 (bulk: 1986)
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Introduction

This collection contains correspondence and newspaper clippings accumulated by John McClaughry of Kirby, Vermont, during the 1985-1986 campaign to ratify the Vermont Equal Rights Amendment to the state constitution. The collection was donated to the Vermont Historical Society by Mr. McClaughry through Marilyn Blackwell in 2019. The collection is stored in half of an archival flip top box and consumes .12 linear feet of shelf space.

Biographical Note

John McClaughry was president of the Institute for Liberty and Community in Concord, Vermont, member of the Vermont House and Senate, and Senior Policy Advisor in President Ronald Reagan's White House. He was the Republican nominee for governor in 1992. In 1993 McClaughry founded the Ethan Allen Institute, a free-market public policy research and education organization, and served as its President until August 2009. Through the institute he has written many position papers. He is frequent commentator in the state's newspapers and radio stations.

Related Collections

The collections of the Vermont Historical Society library also include the records of the Vermont Coalition for the Equal Rights Amendment (Doc 429), Sue Clayton's ERA Papers, 1982-1992 (MSA 505-507), and Lynn Heglund's personal collection of ERA papers (MSA 331).

Scope and Content

This collection contains correspondence between John McClaughry of Kirby, Vermont, and state and federal officials and citizens during the 1985-1986 campaign to ratify the Vermont Equal Rights Amendment to the state constitution. Mr. McClaughry was opposed to the ratification of the amendment. Correspondents include Attorney General Jeffrey Amestoy; Assistant Attorney General Denise Johnson; State Senator Vincent Illuzzi; Lucy Horton of Concord, Vermont; Francine Tilewick, Assistant General Counsel for the University of Vermont; Lynn Heglund of the Governor's Commission on the Status of Women; the United States Department of Education; V. Louise McCarren of the Public Service Board; Gretchen Morse, Secretary of Human Services; and others.

The collection includes seven clippings from Vermont newspapers.

Inventory

Doc 809:06 Background

:07 Correspondence, 1984
:08 _____, 1985
:09 _____, 1986
:10 Newspaper clippings, 1986

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