



Guide to the Nevada State Senator Bob Coffin Records of the Kathy Augustine Impeachment Trial

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Coffin, Bob, 1942-
Title:	Nevada State Senator Bob Coffin Records of the Kathy Augustine Impeachment Trial
ID:	MS-00757
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Abstract:	Nevada State Senator Bob Coffin Records of the Kathy Augustine Impeachment Trial (2004) contains exhibits, testimonies, witness lists, questions posed, computer forensic evidence, correspondence, newspaper clippings, magazine articles, and printed legislative materials. Also included are 21 DVD recordings of the trial.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Kathy Augustine worked in the Nevada legislature from 1993 to 2006. Augustine was born May 29, 1956 in Los Angeles, California. In California, Augustine received her Bachelor's Degree from Occidental College and her Master's Degree in Public Administration from California State University, Long Beach. Augustine came to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1988 while working as a flight attendant for Delta Air Lines. In 1993, she won the assembly seat for District 12 running as a Republican and was part of the Nevada State Senate from 1994 to 1998. In 1998, Augustine was elected State Controller and she was the first woman to have the position. In 2004 Augustine was

impeached for unethical campaigning in her 2002 re-election campaign, and Senator Bob Coffin served on the special session for the impeachment. Despite being impeached, she was allowed to remain in office as State Controller because her lawyers argued the crimes did not affect the people of Nevada, and were not enough to remove a state official from office. Augustine continued her to work as State Controller until 2006, when she was found unconscious in her Reno, Nevada home. She died four days later on July 11th, 2006. While initially her death seemed to be from natural causes, her husband was later convicted of her murder.

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Scope and Contents Note

Nevada State Senator Bob Coffin Records of the Kathy Augustine Impeachment Trial (2004) contains exhibits, testimonies, witness lists, questions posed, computer forensic evidence, correspondence between Senators Care, Raggio and Coffin, and newspaper clippings and magazine articles given to Coffin by Michael J. Stewart, a research analyst. Also included are printed legislative materials and 21 DVD recordings of the trial.

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Arrangement

The records remain in original order.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2007 by Bob Coffin; accession number 2007-01.

Processing Note

In 2018, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, Joyce Moore rehoused and revised the collection description to bring it into compliance with current professional standards.

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Names and Subjects

- Senator -- Nevada
- Trials (impeachment) -- United States
- Augustine, Kathy Marie
- Nevada. Office of State Controller

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Special Prosecutor's Trial Statement, witness list, exhibit list, exhibits 1-12, 2004 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 01
Exhibits 13-27, 2004 Physical Description: 3 Files	box 01
Computer forensic evidence, Encase Report, questions 1-2B, 2004	box 02
Questions 2D-10, 2004 Physical Description: 3 Files	box 02
Questions 10A-13G, 2004 Physical Description: 3 Files	box 03
Augustine's Trial Statement, witness list, testimonies, exhibits D1-D22, 2004	box 03
Exhibit D23, 2004	box 04
Exhibits 28-45, 2004	box 04
Newspaper clippings and magazine articles about the trial, 2004	box 04
Nevada Legislative Counsel Bureau, Briefing Book for Legislators, 2004	box 04
Personal notes taken by Coffin during the trial, 2004	box 04

Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, 2004	box 04
Senate Daily Journal, 2004 November 10-December 4	box 04
Correspondence between Senators Care, Raggio and Coffin, 2004 December	box 04
Senate Committee of Whole, DVD recordings of the trial, 2004 November 11 and 29, 2004 December 4	box 05

Physical Description: 21 Optical Discs