



Guide to the Joel Coombs oral history interview

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Summary Information

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- Las Vegas (Nev.)

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- African Americans -- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Racially mixed families
- Racism
- Drugs of abuse