

# Guide to the Elbert Edwards oral history interview

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# **Summary Information**

**Repository:** University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special

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**Creator:** Edwards, Elbert B.

**Contributor:** Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas

**Title:** Elbert Edwards oral history interview

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**Description:** 

**Language of the** English

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**Abstract:** Oral history interview with Elbert Edwards conducted by Layne

Covington on October 16, 1986 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Edwards first talks about his family background before talking about what it was like to live in Panaca, Nevada. Edwards later talks about his wife's and his political involvement, and his involvement in education. He then discusses Hoover (Boulder) Dam, his job as a registrar in the Selective Service, and the effects that the World War II years had

on Las Vegas, Nevada.

#### **Preferred Citation**

Elbert Edwards oral history interview, 1986 October 16. OH-00522. [Cite format consulted: Audio recording or Transcript.] Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada.

## **Scope and Contents Note**

Oral history interview with Elbert Edwards conducted by Layne Covington on October 16, 1986 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Edwards first talks about his family background before talking about what it was like to live in Panaca, Nevada. He then talks about changes in Boulder City, Nevada that have taken place over time. Edwards later talks about his wife's and his political involvement, and his involvement in education. The latter part of the interview includes discussion of the building of Hoover (Boulder) Dam, Edwards' job as a registrar

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in the Selective Service, and the effects that the World War II years had on Las Vegas, Nevada. Digital audio and transcript available.

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### **Acquisition Note**

University of Nevada, Las Vegas History Professor Ralph Roske donated materials for this oral history project to UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in the 1980s.

## **Processing Note**

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# **Names and Subjects**

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)

- Education -- Nevada -- History
- Politics and government
- Panaca (Nev.)
- Hoover Dam (Ariz. and Nev.)