

Guide to the Reverend Prentiss Walker oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Abstract: Oral history interview with Reverend Prentiss Walker conducted

by Bernard Timberg on January 27, 1974 for the Ralph Roske
Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Walker discusses
Las Vegas, Nevada from 1933 to the early 1970s, including
the equality of opportunity and social acceptance that black
citizens enjoyed in Las Vegas in the thirties. He also recalls how
black people did not look upon southern Nevada as a place of
permanent residence, but rather as a temporary place to earn

money quickly.

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that black citizens enjoyed in Las Vegas in the thirties. He also recalls how black people did not look upon southern Nevada as a place of permanent residence, but rather as a temporary place to earn money quickly. 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

Interview materials were processed by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017. Nia Banks wrote the collection description. The audio cassette(s) for this interview have been reformatted by an external vendor into a digital format. MP3 files of the audio are available for research use.

Bound Transcript Availability

A bound transcript is available for use in UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives: F849.L35 W34

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Names and Subjects

Oral histories (document genres)

- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Race discrimination
- Segregation -- Nevada
- African Americans -- Employment -- Nevada -- Clark County
- Hoover Dam (Ariz. and Nev.)