

Guide to the June and Lewis Whitley oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Abstract: Oral history interview with June Whitley and Lewis Whitley

conducted by Claytee D. White on November 02, 2007 for the African Americans in Las Vegas: a Collaborative Oral History Project. In this interview the Whitleys discuss moving to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1958 as newlyweds. Lewis Whitley discusses working at the Nevada Test site as a cook, working for the Clark County Fire Department as a fire hydrant inspector, and then retiring in 2007. June Whitley talks about working as a maid, getting a position with Centel Telephone Company, and then getting a seat on the Board of Regents for the Clark County Community College in 1978. The couple then shares their unique experiences about the growth of the African American

community in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Preferred Citation

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Scope and Contents Note

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Bound Transcript Availability

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- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- African American women -- Nevada -- Clark County
- Nevada National Security Site (Nev.)
- Education, Higher -- Administration
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Las Vegas Branch (Las Vegas, Nev.).
- Nevada System of Higher Education