



## Guide to the Joseph Wilcock oral history interview

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Wilcock, Joseph
<b>Contributor:</b>	Boyer Early Las Vegas Oral History Project
<b>Title:</b>	Joseph Wilcock oral history interview
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<b>Abstract:</b>	Oral history interview with Joseph Wilcock conducted by Claytee D. White on April 17, 2014; April 18, 2014, and April 30, 2014. for the Boyer Early Las Vegas Oral History Project. Wilcock recalls working in Bal Harbour, Florida, and coming to Las Vegas, Nevada to attend the School of Hotel Management at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV). Wilcock explains gaming terminology and the process of dealing and cheating the casino. He discusses the relationship between Caesars in Atlantic City and Caesars Palace in Las Vegas and between operating a gaming company in New Jersey and Nevada. He also recalls opening day at the Mirage, opening the Treasure Island, and how Wynn hotels hired and promoted from within, but instituted a minority recruitment and training program to diversify the workforce.

### Preferred Citation

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## Scope and Contents Note

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Oral history interview with Joseph Wilcock conducted by Claytee D. White on April 17, 2014; April 18, 2014, and April 30, 2014. for the Boyer Early Las Vegas Oral History Project. Wilcock recalls working in Bal Harbour, Florida, and coming to Las Vegas, Nevada to attend the School of Hotel Management at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV). He then discusses why he chose not to join the Culinary Workers Union Local 226 in Las Vegas and why he eventually had to. Wilcock explains more gaming terminology and the process of dealing and cheating the casino. He discusses the relationship between Caesars in Atlantic City and Caesars Palace in Las Vegas and between operating a gaming company in New Jersey and Nevada. He also recalls opening day at the Mirage. Wilcock talks about opening the Treasure Island and how Wynn hotels hired and promoted from within but instituted a minority recruitment and training program to diversify the workforce. Digital audio, transcript, and photograph available.

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## **Names and Subjects**

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- Oral histories (document genres)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Casinos -- Nevada -- Las Vegas
- Culinary Workers Union Local 226
- Mirage Hotel and Casino
- Caesars Palace Las Vegas Hotel and Casino
- Treasure Island Hotel and Casino (Las Vegas, Nev.)