

# Guide to the Charles Silvestri oral history interview

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# **Summary Information**

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#### **Preferred Citation**

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- Educators
- Las Vegas casino dealers
- United States. Army
- Nevada Southern University
- University of Nevada, Reno