

# Guide to the Louis Conner oral history interview

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## **Summary Information**

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

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**Contributor:** Conner, Louis Alfred, Sr., 1942-2020

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Project

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**Abstract:** Oral history interview with Louis Conner conducted by John

Grygo on March 22, 2013 for the African Americans in Las Vegas: a Collaborative Oral History Project. In this interview, Conner discusses his personal history and growing up in Tallulah, Louisiana. He talks about moving to Las Vegas, Nevada with his family for job opportunities in the late 1950s. Conner describes

his employment at the Stardust Hotel, segregation, and living in West Las Vegas. He then talks about integration in the mid-1960s, Jackson Street entertainment, and the changing demographic of the Westside. Lastly, Conner discusses the development of Las Vegas, families moving out of the Westside, and new businesses

in the area.

#### **Preferred Citation**

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## **Scope and Contents Note**

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# **Names and Subjects**

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- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Cities and towns -- Growth
- Westside (Las Vegas, Nev.)
- Segregation -- Nevada
- African Americans