



## Guide to the Dr. Deborah Kuhls oral history interview

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## Summary Information

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Names and Subjects

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- Oral histories (document genres)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Las Vegas Shooting, Las Vegas, Nev., 2017
- Mass shootings
- Medical personnel
- University Medical Center of Southern Nevada