

Guide to the Paulette Canty oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Description:

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English

Abstract: Oral history interview with Paulette Canty conducted by Claytee

White on July 02, 1998 for the Women's Research Institute of Nevada (WRIN) Las Vegas Women Oral History Project. Canty opens her interview by discussing her life in Las Vegas, Nevada in the 1960s. Canty talks about being one of the first students to be integrated in the Las Vegas school system. She discusses how the Clark County School District prepared African American and white students for integration. She describes how integration was positive for herself, but that it was a negative experience for her sister and other African American students. Canty also talks about how African American children were raised at the time, discussing the values instilled in boys versus girls. She also talks about her experience working in the gaming industry including as a manager at Bally's Hotel and Casino. She discusses the treatment of African American employees by the gaming

industry and labor unions.

Preferred Citation

Paulette Canty oral history interview, 1998 July 02. OH-03481. [Cite format consulted: Audio recording or Transcript.] Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Scope and Contents Note

Oral history interview with Paulette Canty conducted by Claytee White on July 02, 1998 for the Women's Research Institute of Nevada (WRIN) Las Vegas Women Oral History Project. Canty opens her interview by discussing her life in Las Vegas, Nevada in the 1960s. Canty talks about being one of the first students to be integrated in the Las Vegas school system. She discusses how the Clark County School District prepared African American and white students for integration. She describes how integration was positive for herself, but that it was a negative experience for her sister and other African American students. Canty also talks about how African American children were raised at the time, discussing the values instilled in boys versus girls. She also talks about her experience working in the gaming industry including as a manager at Bally's Hotel and Casino. She discusses the treatment of African American employees by the gaming industry and labor unions. Digital audio available; no transcript available.

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Acquisition Note

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Processing Note

Interview materials were processed by Karla Irwin in 2018. Access copies were created for digitized and/or born-digital audio and transcript files. Hana Gutierrez wrote the collection

description. The audio cassette(s) for this interview have been reformatted by the Women's Research Institute of Nevada into a digital format.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

The following resource will provide additional information related the materials in this collection:

Women's Research Institute of Nevada Oral History Records, 1995-2015. UA-00084. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

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- School integration -- Nevada
- African American women -- Nevada -- Clark County
- Hotel management
- Labor unions -- United States
- Race relations