

# Guide to the Alma Vining Oral History Interview

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## **Summary Information**

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- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Education
- Race discrimination
- Children of immigrants
- Clark County School District (Nev.)
- Nevada Association of Latin Americans
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas