



## Guide to the Judy Bowen oral history interview

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## Summary Information

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<b>Abstract:</b>	Oral history interview with Judy Bowen conducted by Claytee D. White on August 11, 2025 for the Boyer Early Las Vegas Oral History Project. In this interview, Bowen describes her early childhood before transitioning, and life in Virginia, Tennessee, New York, and eventually Las Vegas, Nevada. Bowen recalls working in New York clubs that included the Tango Palace and the Commodore owned by Donald Trump. She was able to invest in real estate, operated a newspaper, owned a restaurant, and was the first women elected president of the Long Island Lions Club. In Las Vegas, she was elected president of her Spring Valley Home Owners Association and worked on the production staff of the Flamingo Hotel and remains active in her community.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Names and Subjects

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- Oral histories (document genres)
- Transgender people
- Las Vegas (Nev.)