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Collection Overview

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Administrative Information

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Use Restriction

Restricted for 15 years, until Jan-01-2020; Transferring office; 3/13/2006 memorandum,
Johnstone to Bird; Contact reference staff for details.

Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of the records of William L. Bird, Jr., Curator, and documents the planning for and creation of the exhibition *Vote: The Machinery of Democracy* at the National Museum of American History. The exhibition, which opened in July 2004, traced the evolution of voting techniques and suffrage issues in America over the past two centuries. Materials include Bird's correspondence, memoranda, and notes; exhibition proposal, script, design drawings, and floor plans; budget summaries; object lists; loan information; press releases; election memorabilia; and photographs. Some materials are in electronic format.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Museum exhibits
Politics and culture
Suffrage
Voting

Types of Materials:

Black-and-white photographs
Clippings
Color photographs
Color transparencies
Compact discs
Drawings
Electronic records
Floor plans
Floppy disks
Manuscripts

Names:

Bird, William L.
Vote: The Machinery of Democracy (Exhibition) (2004: Washington, D.C.)

Container Listing

Box 1

	Vote: The Machinery of Democracy
Box 1 of 2	William L. Bird, Jr.: Correspondence, 1997-2001
Box 1 of 2	William L. Bird, Jr.: Correspondence, 2002-2004
Box 1 of 2	Exhibition Proposal, 2002-2003
Box 1 of 2	Exhibition Design and Floor Plans, 2003-2004
Box 1 of 2	Script, 2003-2004
Box 1 of 2	Exhibition Objects, c. 2002
Box 1 of 2	Voting Experience Redesign: Process Documentation
Box 1 of 2	Digital Images of Voting Machine Ephemera Owned by John Olsen (includes electronic records)
Box 1 of 2	Official Sample Ballot: Palm Beach, Florida, 2000
Box 1 of 2	Photo Report: Portable IBM Type Card Punching System
Box 1 of 2	Loans, 2001-2003
Box 1 of 2	Computer Science Contacts
Box 1 of 2	Shouptronic 1242 Electric Voting Machine, 1987, 2003
Box 1 of 2	Roy G. Saltman, 2003
Box 1 of 2	History of Voting Machines
Box 1 of 2	Statistical Analysis of 2000 Presidential Election, 2001
Box 1 of 2	Exhibition Publication
Box 1 of 2	Press Releases, 2002-2004
Box 1 of 2	Photographs: Chads, 2000
Box 1 of 2	Photographs: Voting Machine, 2002
Box 1 of 2	Photographs: William L. Bird, Jr., 2002
Box 1 of 2	Election Memorabilia, 1960-1983

Box 1 of 2	Draft Schedule and Budget, 2002-2004
Box 1 of 2	Object Labels, 2003
Box 1 of 2	Exhibition Website, 2004
	Box 2
Box 2 of 2	Exhibition Design Drawings, c. 2002-2004