

Series 1: National Park Service Series, 1962-2001; bulk 1994-2000

5.25 cubic feet consisting of 141 folders.

The National Park Service Series consists of appointment books, articles, brochures, charts, clippings, correspondence, handbooks, press releases, reports, speeches, a strategic plan, and testimonies.

Materials in this series cover the period 1962-2001, and documents Robert Stanton's long career with the National Park Service. The bulk of the materials dates from 1994 to 2000 and emphasizes the periods when Stanton was the Regional Director of the National Capital Region, Washington, D.C., and as the Director of the National Park Service.

The series is arranged alphabetically by folder title and chronologically within each folder.

Materials pertaining to parks, historic sites, memorials, and trails comprises a large part of this series. There are brochures which contain general information about parks, historic sites, and memorials, and others which relate to dedication ceremonies of these places. Other brochures deal with celebratory events such as the Harriet Tubman Millennium Celebration, the 1965 Selma-Montgomery Voting Rights March (Bloody Sunday) held at the Historic Brown Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, and the International Salute to the Life and Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In addition, information relating to the Frederick Douglass National Historic Site, the Underground Railroad, and the history of the White House can be found here as well.

Other materials relating to the National Park Service include reports covering such topics as connecting people to the parks in the 21st Century, cultural resources management, diversity in the National Park Service, major accomplishments and issues of the National Park Service from 1997 to 2000, management policies, status of the National Capital Area Parks, how the next administration should approach public land management in the Western states, and the National Park Service's plan and action strategy for preserving the nation's important prehistoric and historic places and collections. Also included are copies of the Director's Bulletin Board, an internal newsletter where Stanton reported on actions the organization is taking – and important budget developments – to strengthen the organization's efforts as the nation's premier heritage preservation agency to the staff of the National Park Service. Reports of the National Park Foundation can be found here as well. There are also organizational charts, a diversity action plan, a strategic plan for FY 2000-2005, handbooks, as well as awards, certificates, and citations.

The majority of the correspondence in this series are letters of appreciation for various things, farewell to Stanton upon his first retirement from the National Park Service in January 1997, and congratulations to Stanton for being nominated and selected the Director of the National Park Service later in 1997. Also included are letters endorsing Robert Stanton's nomination to be the Director of the National Park Service. There are some letters relating to invitations to events and speaking engagements, as well as serving on committees/organizations.

Memoranda filed in the series range from the time when Robert Stanton was Deputy Regional Director of National Capital Region in Washington, D.C. in 1985 till his resignation as Director of the National Park Service in December 2000. The majority of the memoranda deal with commend

Stanton and staff members for various things. e.g., serving on task forces, speaking and participating in courses, and providing support at events. Other topics found in the memoranda include guidelines for Stanton's confirmation hearings, new general management plan priorities, and First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton's speech to the employees of the U.S. Department of the Interior to commemorate Women's History Month and to discuss the Millennium Program.

Newspaper clippings in the series document Robert Stanton and the National Park Service. Those concerning Stanton documents his responsibilities as the Regional Director of the National Capital Region, his first retirement from the National Park Service in 1997, as well as his nomination, swearing-in, and challenges as the Director of the National Park Service. Clippings about the National Park Service include those on increasing park fees, renovation of the White House, banning cars in Yosemite National Park, volunteers becoming increasingly important to the financially strapped National Park Service, public lands in the West, public lands preservation, the billion-dollar restoration of the Everglades, minorities and the national parks, the increasing demands on America's national parks, and the dedication of the Martin Luther King Memorial Site on Washington Mall.

There are also magazine/journal articles, papers, and speeches in the series. Articles include interviews with Stanton about the challenges and issues he faced as the Regional Director of the National Capital Region and the Director of the National Park Service, and those which Stanton wrote on topics such as the values and influences of cultural parks of the American park system on intergroup relations in a multi-ethnic society, career opportunities for minority undergraduates in the National Park Service, diversity in the national park system, using new approaches of environmental leadership to fulfill the National Park Service's traditional mandate, preserving America's parks and past, reflecting on recent programs and accomplishments of the National Park Service in 2000, and a National Park Service perspective on the history of public school desegregation. Articles by others include those on the deterioration of America's national parks, the declining population, the Underground Railroad, protecting the national parks throughout the new millennium, and the implementation of plans to protect natural resources and improve management of America's parks. The series contain copies of Robert Stanton's speeches, including the one he gave at the George B. Hartzog Lecture at Clemson University in 1997.

Finally, the series contains information concerning Stanton's nomination, confirmation, swearing-in and resignation as Director of the National Park Service. There is also biographical information which include Stanton's position descriptions and evaluations, resumes, and other materials. Some information regarding a scholarship set up in his mother's name, Bethel L. Stanton, at his alma mater, Huston-Tillotson College, can also be found here.

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6		[Historic Brown Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Selma, Alabama] – 2000	
7		[Huntley Meadows Park, Fairfax County, Virginia] – 1996	
8		[Kenai Fjords National Park: Alaska's Jewel in the Rough] – [1995]	
9		[King, Martin Luther, Jr.] – January 15, 1977-January 11, 2001	
10		[Korean War Veterans Memorial Dedication] – 1995	
11		[John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts] – 1992	
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13		[Major Accomplishments and Issues of the National Park Service 1997-2000] – [Late 2000]	
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10		17	August 1985-March 1992
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	2	[Memoranda of Understanding with other Nations] – 1997-2000	
	3	[Mid-Atlantic Mary McLeod Bethune Recognition Weekend Recognition Weekend Celebration, National Council of Negro Women, Inc.] – 1994	
	4	[<i>National Capital Area: State of the Parks</i>] – December 1996	
	5	[National Capital Area (NCA) Parks] – [1994]-[c. 1997]	
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	2	[National Park Service] [Organizational Charts] – n.d.]
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	4	[Transportation Planning Guidebook] – 1999
	5	[National Park System Advisory Board] – 1989
	6	[National Parks Conservation Association] – 2000
	7	[National Women's History Month: Alexis M. Herman] – 1993
	8	[<i>Natural Resource Challenge: The National Park Service's Action Plan for Preserving Natural Resources</i>] – 1999 [Newspaper Clippings]
	9	February 25, 1972-November 18, 1994
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	12	September 14, 1998-January 2001 [Oklahoma City National Memorial]
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12	1	[<i>1999 Progress Report</i>] – 2000
	2	[Organization of American Historians Interview with Robert Stanton] – 1999
	3	[Park Landscape Maintenance Handbook] – May 1990
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	7	[Prince Hall Grand Lodge (Mason), Washington, D.C.] – 1998
	8	[Public Land Corps 1999 Accomplishments Report] – [c. 2000]
	9	[<i>Racial Desegregation in Public Education in the United States: Theme Study</i> , National Historic Landmarks Survey] – 2000
	10	[Radford University (Virginia). Spring Commencement] – May 8, 1999
	11	[Regional MED Week/TCBM/Boss 2000, Austin, Texas] – August 2000
	12	Roundtable Associates National Awards Reception and Dinner Program] – 1997
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	8	[Swearing-in Ceremony to be the Director] – 1997
	9	["What Now, Second Time Retiree?" Poem by John G. Dennis] – 2001
	10	[Student Conservation Association] – 2000
	11	[Texas NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) Convention] – 1999
	12	[<i>The Future of Our Public Lands: A Symposium on Federal Land Policy</i>] – 1998
13	[The Natural Resources Challenge] – [c. 1999]	
14	[Training Program for Minority Students and Faculty in Concession Services] – [1994]	
15	[Trip to South Africa and Ghana] – 1999 [Underground Railroad]	
15	16	September 1995
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	1	[United Negro College Fund 11 th Annual Salute to Leadership Dinner] – 1991
	2	[United States Holocaust Memorial Council] – [c. 1997]

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	8	[We Shall Overcome: Historic Places of the Civil Rights Movement] – March 30, 1998
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	10	[Yellowstone National Park's 125 th Anniversary] – 1997
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