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Overview of the Collection

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Creator:

Skalski, Stan arrangement

Quantity:

1.00

Repository:

Special Collections Research Center

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

Collection is open to all researchers.

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Acquisition Information

The materials were acquired by Special Collections Research Center on 11/05/2009.

Processing Information

Accessioned and minimally processed in November and December 2009 by Ute Schechter, Warren E. Burger Archivist. Further arranged by Nathaniel Baako, SCRC Staff, in December 2009. Further described by Peter Klicker, SCRC Staff, in March 2010.

Preferred Citation

Stan Skalski Papers, Special Collections Research Center, Swem Library, College of William and Mary.

Additional Information

Biographical Note

Information about this individual or organization may be available in the Special Collections Research Center Wiki: http://scrc.swem.wm.edu/wiki/index.php/Stan Skalski.

Scope and Contents

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Index Terms

This Collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Genre/Form of Material:

Can openers
Certificates
Instructions (document genre)
Letters (correspondence)
Photographs

Topical Term:

Courtship--United States--History--20th century.
Insignia.
Military bases--Photographs
Postcards.
Vietnam War, 1961-1975--Personal narratives, American

Arrangement of Materials

This collection is arranged into three boxes. The first two boxes contain Skalski's written correspondences, arranged by folder into chronological order. The third box contains Skalski's scrapbook.

Detailed Description of the Collection

ArchonID id67521

Container 1 (box)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67514

Unit Date October 1966

Container 1 (box)

Container 1 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67515

Unit Date November 1966

Container 1 (box)

Container 2 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67516

Unit Date December 1966

Container 1 (box)

Container 3 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67517

Unit Date January 1967

Container 1 (box)

Container 4 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67518

Unit Date February 1967

Container 1 (box)

Container 5 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67519

Unit Date March 1967

Container 1 (box)

Container 6 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67520

Unit Date April 1967

Container 1 (box)

Container 7 (Folder)

ArchonID id67522

Container 2 (box)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67523

Unit Date May 1967

Container 2 (box)

Container 1 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67524

Unit Date June 1967

Container 2 (box)

Container 2 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67525

Unit Date July 1967

Container 2 (box)

Container 3 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67526

Unit Date August 1967

Container 2 (box)

Container 4 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67527

Unit Date September 1967

Container 2 (box)

Container 5 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67528

Unit Date October 1967

Container 2 (box)

Container 6 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67529

Unit Date November 1967

Container 2 (box)

Container 7 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67530

Unit Date December 1967

Container 2 (box)

Container 8 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67531

Unit Date January 1968

Container 2 (box)

Container 9 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67532

Unit Date February 1968

Container 2 (box)

Container 10 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67533

Unit Date March 1968

Container 2 (box)

Container 11 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67534

Unit Date April 1968

Container 2 (box)

Container 12 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67535

Unit Date June 1968

Container 2 (box)

Container 13 (Folder)

Correspondence

ArchonID id67536

Unit Date undated

Container 2 (box)

Container 14 (Folder)

ArchonID id67538

Container 3 (box)

Scrapbook

ArchonID id70476

Unit Date undated

Container 3 (box)

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