West, November Belford; Papers

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Summary Information

Repository: M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives
Title: November Belford West Papers
ID: apap367
Date [inclusive]: 1989-2006
Physical Description: 3.0 cubic ft.
Physical Location: The materials are located onsite in the department.
Language of the Material: English.
Mixed Materials [Collection]: X
Abstract: This collection documents the activism of November Belford West and her opposition to the death penalty.

Preferred Citation

Preferred citation for this material is as follows:

Identification of specific item, series, box, folder, November Belford West Papers, 1989-2006. M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University at Albany, State University of New York (hereafter referred to as the West Papers).

Historical Note

November Belford is a longtime activist and opponent of capital punishment who married a Texas Death Row prisoner Bobby West in 1988; he was executed in 1997. November Belford West launched a newspaper with Bobby West called Endeavor and later started a second newspaper, The Gathering.

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Scope and Contents

The collection includes correspondence; clippings; newsletters, ephemera and other materials from abolitionist organizations; copies of The Angolite and other publications, including original copies of Belford West's two newspapers. In addition, there is correspondence between West and Harold "Wili" Otey, executed by the state of Nebraska in 1994, and a collection of Otey's poems which he sent to West.

Arrangement of the Collection

The collection is unprocessed and is likely disorganized. Individual items may be difficult to find.

Administrative Information

Publication Statement
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Revision Description
Encoded in EAD by Jodi Boyle 2016 October 18

Processing Information
Processed in 2016 by unprocessed.

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Acquisition Information

All items in this collection were transferred to the University Libraries, M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives by November Belford West in 2007.

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- Clippings
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