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Records related to Will or Jaden Smith (22-21420-F)

Finding Aid Type
FOIA

Extent

68 assets / 1 audio clips

Record Type
Audio
Photographs

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Barack Obama Presidential Records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA) (44 USC 2201) and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 USC 552, as amended) and therefore records may be restricted in whole or in part in accordance with legal exemptions.

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Provenance

Official records of Barack Obama’s presidency are housed at the Barack Obama Presidential Library and administered by the National Archives and Records

Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processed by

Staff Archivists, 2024. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

Related Collections

Photographs of Will Smith (22-64503-F)

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 22-21420-F are a selective, not necessarily all-inclusive, body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

FOIA 22-21420-F requested all files, correspondence, meetings, and calls between President Obama or any White House Staff and actor Will Smith and or his son Jaden Smith. (All photographs of Will Smith were released under FOIA 22-64503-F.)

This FOIA primarily contains photographs of Michelle Obama, Jada Pinkett Smith, Jaden Smith, and Malia and Sasha Obama watching a performance by Willow Smith during the Easter Egg Roll on the South Lawn on April 25, 2011. Audiovisual records proposed for opening include an audio clip of President Obama participating in an interview with Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith in Oslo, Norway, on December 10, 2009.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 22-21420-F are a systematic body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

Records responsive to this FOIA were found in these collection areas – Obama Presidential Electronic Records and White House Communications Agency.

The Executive Office of the President (EOP) instance of the Electronic Records Archive (ERA) contains electronic records created or received by Obama administration staff. These records are stored in Search and Access Sets (SAS) that represent their originating computer program, such as Exchange Email or the Worker and Visitor Entry System (WAVES). In addition to records captured from the White House's electronic systems, EOP-ERA also contains records from the home and shared drives used by White House staff.

White House Communications Agency records are processed at the folder/videotape level. While this method maintains folder/videotape integrity, it frequently results in the incidental processing of videotapes that are not wholly responsive to the subject area.

Container List

The following is a list of electronic search results lists (SRLs) that were processed in response to FOIA 22-21420-F:

Electronic Records

- *AV_22-21420-F* Jaden contains 68 photographs.

Audiovisual Records

- **Communications Agency, White House (WHCA)**
  - *Audio*
    - Tape 820 -- POTUS Participates in an Interview with Will and Jada Smith, 12/10/2009 (1 clip; withheld in part): President Obama Participates in an Interview with Will and Jada Smith, December 10, 2009