

Citizens Review Panel Study Materials, 1984-1999

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Citizens Review Panel (Seattle, Wash.)
Title	Citizens Review Panel Study Materials
Dates	1984-1999 (inclusive) 1984 1999
Quantity	1.4 cubic feet, (4 boxes)
Collection Number	9514-01
Summary	Materials gathered and consulted by the Citizens Review Panel in the course of preparing its report on police accountability.
Repository	Seattle Municipal Archives Seattle Municipal Archives Office of the City Clerk City of Seattle PO Box 94728 98124-4728 Seattle, WA Telephone: 206-233-7807 Fax: 206-386-9025 archives@seattle.gov
Access Restrictions	Records are open to the public.
Languages	English
Sponsor	Funding for processing this record series was provided through a grant from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

Historical Note

The Citizens Review Panel was convened by Mayor Paul Schell in 1999 to study the Seattle Police Department's policies and procedures relating to accountability and the reporting of police misconduct. The panel consisted of a retired judge, two attorneys, and a retired FBI agent. While the group found no evidence of widespread corruption within the department, it did determine that the mechanisms for reporting misconduct were not sufficient. In its final report, the panel made several recommendations, perhaps the most important of which was the creation of an Office of Professional Accountability (OPA) to replace the Internal Investigations Section. Other recommendations involved training, performance evaluations, and rules for investigations. Most of the report's recommendations were followed, including the creation of the OPA to handle complaints and investigate misconduct.

Content Description

Materials gathered and consulted by the Citizens Review Panel in the course of preparing its report. Includes SPD policy and procedure manuals, curriculum materials from the Law Enforcement

Academy, union contracts, and reports previously published about the police department. Also includes information solicited from other cities and agencies regarding police auditors, internal investigations, and other relevant programs. The panel's final report is cataloged separately in the Published Documents Collection.

Use of the Collection

Preferred Citation

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Administrative Information

Detailed Description of the Collection

The following section contains a detailed listing of the materials in the collection.

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Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
1/1	Seattle Police Department Training Manual	1998
1/2	Seattle Police Department Investigations Bureau Manual	1998
1/3	Seattle Police Department Vice Section Manual	1997
1/4	Seattle Police Department Narcotics Section Manual	1995
1/5	Seattle Police Department Evidence Section Manual	1999
1/6	Seattle-King County Medical Examiner's Office Policy and Procedure Manual	1996
1/7	Report of Special Panel (Hostage Situations)	1984
1/8	Seattle Police Department Internal Complaint Study (Bell Study)	1989
1/9	Seattle Police Department Management Study (Buracker Study)	1989

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2/1	Information Requests to Other Agencies	1999
2/2	Information Requests to Other Agencies	1999
2/3	Information Requests to Other Agencies	1999
2/4	Information Requests to Other Agencies	1999
2/5	Information Requests to Other Agencies	1999
2/6	Police Auditors - Other Cities	1997-1999
2/7	Internal Investigations - Other Cities	1999
2/8	Internal Investigations - Other Cities	1999
3/1	Law Enforcement Academy	1997-1999
3/2	Law Enforcement Academy Curriculum	1999
3/3	Law Enforcement Academy Curriculum	1999
3/4	Law Enforcement Academy Curriculum	1999
3/5	Law Enforcement Academy Curriculum	1999
3/6	Whistleblowers	1995-1999
3/7	Ethics Training	1998
3/8	Performance Evaluation Systems	1999
3/9	ACLU Correspondence and Reports	1991-1997
4/1	Union Contracts - Seattle Police Officers Guild	1999
4/2	Union Contracts - Seattle Police Management Association	1999
4/3	Union Contracts - Seattle Parking Enforcement Officers Association	1999

Container(s)	Description	Dates
4/4	Union Contracts - Teamsters (Evidence Warehouse Unit and Community Service Officer Unit)	1999
4/5	Union Contracts - Joint Crafts Council	1999
4/6	Union Contracts - IFPTE	1999
4/7	"Cops and Kids" VHS video (cataloged separately in motion picture database)	1998

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Police internal investigation--Washington (State)--Seattle
 Police misconduct--Washington (State)--Seattle

Corporate Names :

Citizens Review Panel (Seattle, Wash.)
 Seattle (Wash.). Police Dept.

Geographical Names :

Seattle (Wash.)

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