

# Donald S. Voorhees papers, 1968-1986

## Overview of the Collection

<b>Creator</b>	Voorhees, Donald S
<b>Title</b>	Donald S. Voorhees papers
<b>Dates</b>	1968-1986 (inclusive) 1968 1986
<b>Quantity</b>	1.83 cubic feet
<b>Collection Number</b>	4456 (Accession No. 4456-001)
<b>Summary</b>	Papers of a Seattle attorney and civic activist who was a leader in the effort to acquire a site for the city's Discovery Park.
<b>Repository</b>	<a href="#">University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections</a> Special Collections University of Washington Libraries Box 352900 Seattle, WA 98195-2900 Telephone: 206-543-1929 Fax: 206-543-1931 <a href="mailto:speccoll@uw.edu">speccoll@uw.edu</a>
<b>Access Restrictions</b>	The papers are open to all users.
<b>Languages</b>	English
<b>Sponsor</b>	Funding for encoding this finding aid was partially provided through a grant awarded by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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## Biographical Note

Donald S. Voorhees was a civic activist; an attorney in the Seattle law firm of Riddell, Williams, Voorhees, Ivie and Bullitt; and a U.S. District Court judge. He was a member of the Seattle Board of Park Commissioners (pre-1974) and chaired Citizens for Fort Lawton Park (1968-1970) and the Seattle mayor's Fort Lawton Park Citizens' Advisory Committee (1970-1973). Voorhees died in 1989.

## Content Description

The papers concern Voorhees's leadership in an effort to acquire the site of a former Army post in metropolitan Seattle for a city park that later became Discovery Park. Included are correspondence, minutes, reports, speeches and writings, news releases, newsletters, legislation, maps, photographs, plans and proposals, publications, and clippings, 1968-1986.

## Use of the Collection

### Restrictions on Use

The creator's literary rights have been transferred to the University of Washington Libraries.

## Preferred Citation

Donald S. Voorhees Papers. Special Collections, University of Washington Libraries, Seattle, Washington.

## Administrative Information

### Arrangement

The papers are arranged into two series:

- Personal papers

- Fort Lawton Park Citizens' Advisory Committee

### Acquisition Information

The Voorhees papers were donated to the University of Washington Libraries by Anne Voorhees, March 3, 1994.

### Processing Note

The papers were processed by Scott Sartorius in 1995.

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

### Personal papers

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Historical information</b>		
Box/Folder		
1/1	Discovery Park	1969-1974
1/2	Fort Lawton	1970-1985
<b>General correspondence</b>		
Box/Folder		
1/3	Adams, Brock	1968-1972

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1/4	Citizens Committee for Fort Lawton Park	1968-1970
1/5	Friends of Discovery Park	1974-1986
1/6	Jackson, Henry M.	1968-1972
1/7	Magnuson, Warren G.	1968-1970
1/8	Seattle Parks and Recreation Department	1969-1986
1/9	Uhlman, Wes C.	1970-1971
1/10-20	Miscellaneous chronological	1968-1986

### Minutes

#### Box/Folder

1/21	Magnolia Community Club, Parks Committee	1969
1/22	Seattle Park Commissioners Board	1973
1/23	Seattle Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trustees	1897

#### Box/Folder

1/24	Notecards - speeches	undated
1/25	News releases	1972-1973
1/26	Campaign materials - Jackson, Henry M.	1982
1/27	By-laws, Friends of Discovery Park	1974
1/28	Speeches and writings	undated
1/29	Writings of others	1969-1982

### Newsletters

#### Box/Folder

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2/1	<i>Between Friends</i>	1977-1986
2/2	<i>Lawton Park News</i>	1972-1973
2/3	Miscellaneous chronological	1968-1993
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
2/4	Mailing lists	1968-1970
2/5	Court papers	undated
2/6	Legislation	1969-1971
2/7	Maps	1970-1979
2/8-9	Plans and proposals	1969-1986
2/10	Photographs -Discovery Park opening/aerial views of Fort Lawton	1973, undated
3/1	Subject series - access routes to Fort Lawton Park	1973
3/2	Ephemera	1970-1971
3/3-6	Clippings	1969-1986

## Fort Lawton Park Citizens' Advisory Committee, 1970-1971

Box-folder3/7

## Names and Subjects

### Subject Terms :

Abandoned military reservations--Washington (State)--Seattle  
 City planning--Washington (State)--Seattle--Citizen participation  
 Civic leaders--Washington (State)--Seattle--Archives  
 Land use--Washington (State)--Seattle--Planning  
 Lawyers--Washington (State)--Seattle--Archives  
 Parks--Washington (State)--Seattle--Planning--Citizen participation  
 Public lands--Recreational use--Washington (State)--Seattle

### Personal Names :

Jackson, Henry M. (Henry Martin), 1912-1983

Magnuson, Warren G. (Warren Grant), 1905-1989  
Voorhees, Donald S.--Archives

**Corporate Names :**

Friends of Discovery Park (Seattle, Wash.)  
Seattle (Wash.). Dept. of Parks and Recreation

**Geographical Names :**

Discovery Park (Seattle, Wash.)  
Fort Lawton (Seattle, Wash.)

**Form or Genre Terms :**

Clippings (Books, newspapers, etc.)  
correspondence  
Maps  
minutes  
Newsletters  
Photographs  
proposals  
writings

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**Subject Terms :**

Personal Papers/Corporate Records (University of Washington)

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