Richard W. Riley
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Dick Riley...has one superb living monument to his name—the Education Improvement Act and the great sweep of reform that continues to this day. Like no other leader in our state’s history, Dick has had a passionate faith in the transforming power of education. His ideas and leadership here in South Carolina sparked a prairie fire of educational innovation that has spread to the entire country.

--Senator Ernest F. Hollings, March 31, 1992

I have been honored and proud to work with you and the excellent team that you have brought together to reinvent and energize the Department. Your dedication to high standards went far beyond educational standards for the nation’s students and has touched and motivated all of us who have had the privilege of being a member of “Riley’s Rulers.”.... Your focus has remained single—will it improve education? That single focus and your inherent integrity and goodwill has created a measure of trust among the Department’s employees that has enabled us to move the Department forward to not only better serve students, but protect and use the taxpayers’ assets more effectively and efficiently as well. Thank you for the opportunity to be a member of the team.

--Department of Education Chief Financial Officer Don Wurtz in a letter to Riley, Apr. 10, 1996

His title may be “Secretary of Education,” but, at heart, he is a teacher.

--Nancy Flanagan, participant on Department of Education teachers’ listserv, Dec. 30, 1996

Richard Wilson “Dick” Riley was the first modern governor of South Carolina to serve two consecutive terms, from 1979 to 1987. His signature effort as governor—improving public education—led to his appointment as the sixth United States Secretary of Education, serving the longest term of any Secretary, from 1993 to 2001. It was also, by many estimations, the most successful tenure to date as Secretary of Education: in 2009, Riley was named by TIME Magazine as one of the “Top Ten Best Cabinet Members” in 20th-century American history.¹

Born in 1933 in Greenville, South Carolina, Riley was the son of Edward P. “Ted” Riley and Martha Dixon Riley. He was educated in public schools, primarily in Greenville, with a brief stint in Miami, Florida, during his father’s World War II service. While in Greenville High School, Riley joined the U.S. Navy Reserve and served as co-captain on the football team. He also took an early interest in student politics. Later in life, Riley recalled his school days:

I took piano as a young guy ...I played in the recital, and I wasn’t any star pianist, but I got elected president of Woodside Music Club....I went to Greenville High, and I was co-captain of the football team—and I was not the star football player at all. And I thought, for some reason I can get chosen, and maybe I’m better at that than anything else...my most successful thing was getting elected.²

¹ http://content.time.com/time/specials/packages/article/0,28804,1858368_1858367_1858342,00.html
Following his high school graduation in 1950, Riley went on to Furman University, where he majored in political science. While there, he was active in intramural sports and served on student council for four years, including as president in his senior year. He participated in the Reserve Officer Training Corps, and spent several summers in naval training with an eye toward pursuing a career in the Navy. After graduating cum laude from Furman in 1954, Riley was commissioned as an ensign and trained at the Officer’s Mine Warfare School. He served in communications and as an operations officer, spending about two years in the Caribbean, Atlantic, and Mediterranean before he suffered a sudden back spasm that signified the onset of ankylosing spondylitis, a painful form of inflammatory spinal arthritis. He was honorably discharged from the Navy, and for the next 15 years Riley would endure as the disease ran its course, choosing to fight through the pain without complaint. Once the active phase of the condition subsided, Riley was left with a stiff, slightly altered posture, but more importantly, an increased “mental discipline and tenacity”3 that has become a striking aspect of his character.

In 1956, Riley enrolled at the University of South Carolina School of Law. He became active in student governance in the Law School Federation and served as a page in the state Senate. Riley also reconnected with Ann “Tunky” Yarborough of Florence, whom he had first met when they were young teenagers. They were married in August 1957 and went on to have four children: Richard, Jr., Anne, Hubert, and Ted. Following his graduation from law school in 1959, the Rileys moved briefly to Washington, D.C., where he spent six months as legal counsel for U.S. Senator Olin D. Johnston (D-SC), who chaired a Judiciary Committee subcommittee.

As a young lawyer, Riley was inspired by his father’s example of public service. The senior Riley had long served as Greenville County Attorney and later represented the school board during the contentious process of desegregating public schools; he also was a highly visible and successful chair of the South Carolina Democratic Party, helping to win South Carolina for John F. Kennedy in 1960. Upon returning to Greenville, Dick Riley set up a law office in nearby Simpsonville and began to ponder a political and public service career of his own. He became Simpsonville Town Attorney in 1960, and in 1962, he ran for a seat in the South Carolina House of Representatives. He was elected as one of three new members in the eleven-member Greenville County delegation. His two terms in the House were highlighted by his service on a special reapportionment study committee, which was established as a result of a resolution he introduced in

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3 Jan Collins Stucker, “Higher Education: Richard Riley proves that a commitment to education can be smart politics as well,” *Southern Magazine*, September 1988, p.86.
South Carolina’s Senate districting, which then called for one senator per county, had been struck down as part of a Supreme Court decision, compelling the reapportionment. The study committee broke down into acrimonious debate, leading Riley to propose his own plan, which was ultimately the basis for the final arrangement. The Senate districts were then redistricted temporarily and a special term of the Senate was called in 1966, prompting Riley to run for and win one of the new Senate seats. In the Senate, Riley continued working on reapportionment. He also chaired a joint legislative committee on aging and served on the Constitutional Revision Committee and the Judiciary Committee.

In 1976, after two full terms as senator, Riley declined to run for re-election. He had become interested in what was then a long-shot campaign for president by Jimmy Carter, and oversaw Carter’s campaign in South Carolina. Riley admired Carter’s efforts at modernizing state government in Georgia, which had resonance with his own work in the South Carolina General Assembly. At the same time, Riley openly admitted his interest in running for statewide office in 1978. He had emerged as a last-minute dark horse candidate for governor in 1974, when Democratic nominee Charles D. “Pug” Ravenel was suddenly disqualified, and had lost by only a slim margin at the special convention called to replace Ravenel. Riley strongly and sincerely supported the ultimate nominee, Bryan Dorn, but the experience seemed to reinforce his own hope to serve as governor.

In the 1978 Democratic primary, Riley faced opposition from the incumbent Lieutenant Governor, Brantley Harvey, and from Dorn, who had narrowly lost the gubernatorial election in 1974. Riley’s early polling showed that he started the race with the support of only about 3% of the electorate. In the June primary, he received 33% of the vote to Harvey’s 38%. Dorn ran a close third and dropped out of the race, throwing his support to Riley. Perhaps mindful of Riley’s energetic support for him four years earlier, Dorn actively campaigned with and for Riley. In the primary runoff, Riley prevailed over Harvey 53% to 47%. In the general election, Riley beat the Republican candidate, former Congressman Ed Young, by a margin of 61% to 38%.

Riley’s early achievements as governor included testifying before Congress about the need for increased federal oversight of the low-level radioactive waste being disposed of in South Carolina and two other states. He also made children’s health and reducing infant mortality a top priority. However, as he had anticipated, the traditionally limited power of South Carolina’s governor made it difficult to realize any major initiative or reform. With his eye on improving education, Riley felt that the state’s prohibition of gubernatorial succession had to be repealed:

The power of a governor going back to the people for their approval is very, very forceful. And a governor who is pushing for a program...who is willing then to go back to the people and have a referendum on whether or not they agree with those terms...is very powerful....It does not make the legislature weaker. It makes the Governor’s Office stronger...more of a force in the state, more dynamic in public affairs, and therefore makes the state more a force in national affairs.6

In his January 1980 State of the State Address, Riley called for the legislature to submit a constitutional amendment allowing gubernatorial succession. The amendment won by a large margin at the polls, allowing Riley to run for a second term in 1982.

Riley’s 1979 inaugural address signaled what would become his most whole-hearted priority for his administration: “Excellence in public education is our first duty to each other.”7 His hard-fought, iconic achievement, the Education Improvement Act (EIA) of 1984, combined two of his emphases as governor: supporting and advancing the state’s schools and cultivating South Carolina as a fertile ground for economic and industrial development, with an educated workforce and improved standard of living. The objectives of the EIA included increasing standards for students and implementing more comprehensive testing; a renewed focus on basic skills; greater accountability for school employees and administrators; a program of incentive grants; upgraded school facilities; and community partnerships. To support its aims, the key element of the act was a one-cent increase in the state’s sales tax to underwrite school reform and development.

As Riley and his staff built up to their legislative initiative, they worked to cultivate a sense of investment in public education among parents and communities. Polling showed that South Carolinians were generally willing to back an increased sales tax to benefit education, provided there was sufficient accountability and an emphasis on measurable results. Another prerequisite for the success of the EIA was to convince private business and industry that an improved education system would benefit the state’s corporate citizens. Riley and his staff conferred extensively with representatives of industry in order to craft a bill the business community would support. Finally, the governor’s team took steps to reassure the state’s educators that there would not be excessive interference with their work and their independence. The EIA push included a series of forums held around the state to explain the proposals to the public; these local forums were preceded by visits by the Governor, his representatives, and surrogates to lay groundwork with civic groups and the media.

Riley and his staff worked closely throughout his term—and throughout his efforts for EIA—with organizations such as the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) and the Education Commission of the States. Beneficial to Riley’s reform efforts, and to other such efforts regionally, was the 1983 report A Nation at Risk: The Imperative for Educational Reform, a landmark in American education policy. The report presented a number of recommendations similar to those found in the EIA.

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7 Inaugural address, 10 Jan. 1979, p. 5, Speeches series.
A lengthy floor fight in the House of Representatives kept the bill under debate for several months, as each facet of the legislation was scrutinized. Riley vowed publicly not to remove his favorite cowboy boots, a recent gift from Texas Governor Mark White, until the bill was passed. Tunky Riley, despite ongoing treatment for breast cancer, appeared in the gallery each day of the debate. The proponents of reform finally won the day in both the House and the Senate. About the passage of the law Riley later said, “Thoughtful leaders saw education as the only long-term solution for a better future….That new law put South Carolina in the national spotlight as being in the forefront of education reform.”

As Riley’s second term came to an end, his accomplishment with the EIA and his overall impressive record was drawing widespread attention: “Riley is now the most influential governor in the history of South Carolina,” wrote national journalist and author Jack Hitt in 1986. After leaving office in January 1987, Riley returned to Greenville and resumed the practice of law, joining the rapidly growing statewide firm, Nelson Mullins Riley and Scarborough. His interest in education policy was undiminished and he continued his involvement via the National Assessment of Educational Progress’s Governing Board and the SREB Commission on Education Quality, which he chaired. In 1992, his close friend and governor of Arkansas Bill Clinton ran for president, with Riley serving as his campaign chair in South Carolina. Clinton’s subsequent election victory signaled a renewed focus on education as a national priority.

Riley was tapped by President-elect Clinton to vet talent for sub-Cabinet appointments as head of Clinton’s transition team. Shortly afterward, Riley agreed to serve as Clinton’s Secretary of Education. Fellow former Southern Governor Lamar Alexander (R-TN), Riley’s predecessor as Secretary of Education, quickly endorsed him. Riley was presented to the United States Senate by both of South Carolina’s senators—Hollings, a Democrat, and Strom Thurmond, a Republican—and was unanimously confirmed.

In his statement at his confirmation hearing, Riley said:

As Governor of South Carolina, I had the opportunity to work very closely with Governor Clinton to reform my State’s and our Nation’s education system. I am so proud that our shared experiences led him to appoint me to this post..... If confirmed by the Senate, I intend to work very closely with you...to implement our shared vision of effective and innovative and accountable education systems. I hope that the bipartisanship that...led to the Democratic and Republican Governors working together, and with President Bush—will continue. There is no reason for education to be

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anything other than a bipartisan effort, if we all want it to be most effective. We have an essential mission to accomplish together.\textsuperscript{11}

At the time Riley took over, the Department of Education (ED) was, as a relatively new and small Cabinet department, still struggling to find its identity and its role within the multilayered structure of American education. Frequently targeted for dismantling during its short existence, ED had recently been the subject of a negative report by the General Accounting Office in regard to its recordkeeping, management, student loan oversight, and employee morale. Riley’s arrival, along with the strong leadership team he assembled, seemed to energize the Department, as did early collaborative efforts such as working with Secretary of Labor Robert Reich on the School-to-Work Opportunities Act. Riley’s low-key, humble, and friendly manner was appreciated by his staff, as was his well-known dedication to and understanding of educators, the education system, and children.

The Clinton Administration’s signature education legislation, Goals 2000: Educate America Act, was signed into law in early 1994. The law spelled out a set of national education goals and set up a system of competitive discretionary grants to be awarded to states. Riley referred to it as “the framework” for all other education initiatives to follow. One of those, established early in Clinton’s first term, was a program of direct student loans, wherein the Department of Education would lend money directly to students pursuing higher education, thereby saving taxpayers billions of dollars. At the same time, ED prepared for the periodic reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), in the form of the 1994 Improving America’s Schools Act (IASA). With proposals new and old revitalizing the Department, Riley’s role as Secretary was largely one of advocacy, visibility, and relationships. “His Department of Education is relatively powerless to shape the way schools run, so his job is more about raising consciousness than launching programs,” noted a profile in the \textit{Washington Post}. “He works 12, 15 hours a day, six or seven days a week, and spends much of that time speaking to educators—emphasizing academic standards, education as a community endeavor, and opportunity for all.”\textsuperscript{12} As Riley himself noted, “We’ve all got strengths and weaknesses and my strength is talking people into doing something that I think is worthwhile.”\textsuperscript{13} Accordingly, Riley maintained an unrelenting schedule, and travel, speeches, public appearances, and school visits became a hallmark of his tenure as Secretary. In a speech from March 1999, Riley noted that, as of his arrival that week in Maine, he had visited all 50 states as Secretary.\textsuperscript{14} During his eight years as Secretary, he visited more than 370 schools, sometimes several in one day. He also established trademark events, such as the annual “America Goes Back to School,” which often included various Cabinet members visiting schools and Riley himself on a “Success Express” bus tour, which stopped at a number of rural schools.

Riley remained in his position as Secretary throughout the Clinton Administration, working particularly closely with Clinton and his top aides on domestic policy. His tenure saw the move toward standards-based

\textsuperscript{11} Jan. 1993.
\textsuperscript{14} Meeting with Maine Education Leaders, Scarborough High School, Portland, ME, 31 Mar. 1999, Speeches.
education reform come into full flower, yet he was always cognizant of the collaborative nature of the mission of the Department of Education. As he often said in speeches, “Our focus [education] is really a state and local responsibility, but a national priority.”

In 1999, Riley’s beloved alma mater, Furman University, established the Richard W. Riley Institute of Government, Politics, and Public Leadership, a nonpartisan organization to promote public service. Since January 2001, Riley has been actively engaged with its programs, which include the Diversity Leaders Initiative, WhatWorksSC awards for school excellence, Teachers of Government Fellowship, White-Riley-Peterson Fellows in afterschool leadership, a “Women and Politics” series, and the David Wilkins Legislative and Civic Awards program, which has become an essential event in each year’s opening of the General Assembly’s term in Columbia. He has been named a Distinguished Professor at Furman and at the University of South Carolina. He has remained committed to the cause of improving education, continuing to serve on and lead a variety of education initiatives. In addition, he continues as a partner of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, advocating for clients in education, government relations, corporate and other fields. He helped create the firm’s EducationCounsel, a mission-based team that promotes progressive education policy via client representation. He also continues to be involved with the Democratic Party and active in community causes in Greenville and throughout South Carolina.

Collection Description:

The collection series include Public, Personal, Speeches and Media, Audiovisual, and Clippings.

Public papers include those from Riley’s service as a member of the South Carolina House of Representatives (1963 to 1967) and the South Carolina Senate (1967 to 1977), as Governor (1979 to 1987), and as Secretary of Education (1993 to 2001). Riley’s House papers include documentation of Greenville County issues, as well as a quantity of material on the Reapportionment Committee. Riley’s work on the latter prompted then-Governor Robert E. McNair to nominate him for the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce (Jaycees) Outstanding Young Man Award, writing that Riley “readily sacrificed prospects of immediate political victory and public glory” in favor of a well-crafted compromise, and that “his life and his character epitomize the high ideals of honesty, integrity,

15 Remarks to White House Fellows, 1 Aug. 1996.
studiousness, unselfishness, and deeply engrained love of community, state, and nation.”16 The Senate papers largely document Riley’s significant work with the Constitutional Revision Committee, which put forth extensive revisions to the outdated 1895 state constitution, ultimately approved by the voting public.

Governor Riley with (L-R) Martin Luther King, Sr., Tunky Riley, Coretta Scott King, and Benjamin Mays. In 1983, Dr. Mays nominated Riley for the Martin Luther King Social Responsibility in Government Award.

Gubernatorial papers include administrative materials, such as staff information and schedules, as well as an extensive Topical subseries. Among the Topical materials are papers regarding the development of and advocacy for the EIA. One notable letter from Riley, following the hard-fought passage of the EIA, thanks state Senator Thomas E. Smith, Jr. for a symbolic gift: “Of the many kind expressions of friendship that I have received over the years, none will exceed the joy to Tunky and myself which we received when you presented me with the ‘boot jack.’ ....I appreciate your strong support for public education. You and I will live to see the day that we are proud of the results of our efforts.”17 Other topical files include wide-ranging information on nuclear waste and on the initiative to allow gubernatorial succession, as well as the transition between Riley’s consecutive terms, the first of its kind in South Carolina history. Riley’s efforts toward economic and industrial development in South Carolina are detailed, including material on the Southern Growth Policies Board, rural development programs, and the South Carolina Research Authority, created in 1983. Travel files particularly document Riley’s efforts to recruit new industry, especially foreign investment, into the state. Additional gubernatorial papers may be found at the South Carolina Department of Archives and History.

17 Riley to Senator Thomas E. Smith, Jr., 17 May 1984, Governor, Topical, Education, Education Improvement Act, General Assembly.
Materials relating to Riley’s terms as Secretary of Education are the most extensive in the collection. Included in the subseries are Schedules, Travel, and Administrative files on the management of the Department of Education. Administrative papers include correspondence with ED staff which demonstrates the high esteem his employees had for him. Briefing Book files span nearly the entire eight years of Riley’s tenure and contain copies of briefing materials prepared almost daily for Riley. The files generally contain memos and background information for meetings and events, schedules for Riley and his deputy, talking points and speeches, and often Riley’s own notes. A Cabinet/Clinton Administration subseries relates to Riley’s Cabinet and administration duties, including White House and other events, and Riley’s and ED’s contributions to President Clinton’s State of the Union addresses and policy papers. Also present are agendas, background materials, and notes from Cabinet meetings and briefings throughout Clinton’s two terms.

Topical papers from the Secretary of Education era relate primarily to education, although there are files regarding other issues, such as the 1993 Clinton economic program, health care reform proposals, and foreign affairs, primarily relating to Ireland and Northern Ireland, including the 1998 Belfast peace agreement. Riley, proud of his family roots in County Cavan, was a frequent visitor to Ireland as Secretary, working on a number of cooperative education projects, and he was even mentioned as a potential ambassador to Ireland in 1998.

Topical education files reflect many facets of the education realm, including private and religious schools, assessment, and Title I programs. Among the most extensive files are those relating to higher education, including on student loans, in which the Department of Education had a direct role. Also of significance are files on Congressional relations and on education funding. Riley was a very active and visible advocate with lawmakers, although ED sometimes found opposition from both the left and the right. Prominent names represented in the Congressional files include Senator Ted Kennedy (D-MA) and Representative Bill Goodling (R-PA). Goodling, a former teacher, served as chair of the House Committee on Education and the Workforce from 1995 to 2001, and although they did not always see eye to eye, he said of Riley, “He’s a wonderful individual...I don’t know of anyone who doesn’t like him even if they don’t agree with him.” Numerous files document the development and passage of Goals 2000. Others include research and information on pressing education problems such as class size, growing violence in schools, and the rapidly escalating need for additional technology in classrooms. A continuing theme from Riley’s earlier reforms in South Carolina was an emphasis on community and family involvement in education; several files show ED’s and Riley’s work in this area, which he considered essential. Riley and his staff—including his Chief Education Counsel while Governor and Secretary, South Carolinian Terry Peterson, and 1985 South Carolina and National Teacher of the Year, Terry Dozier—also worked hard to establish and maintain a national network of active teachers with whom the Department could consult.

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Riley’s popularity and success in his role as Secretary, as well as his close relationship with Clinton, led to frequent speculation about other roles he might take on. In addition to the Irish ambassadorship, potential positions mentioned included White House Chief of Staff and an appointment to the Supreme Court. In a remarkable example of Riley’s ability to maintain good relationships even with former opponents, his onetime rival for the governorship, Brantley Harvey, wrote in an unsolicited letter to President Clinton in 1994:

I have been a member of the South Carolina Bar with your distinguished Secretary of Education, Richard Riley, for 35 years. We served together in the South Carolina General Assembly for a number of years. I was defeated by him in the 1978 Democratic Primary for the governorship of South Carolina and then served under him, and by his appointment, as a Commissioner of the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism. I feel that I know Dick Riley well as a practicing attorney, as a progressive and activist state legislator, and as a fine governor. While Dick has never served in the judicial branch of government, I feel that he has all of the attributes to make an excellent Supreme Court Justice. He is fair-minded and even-handed. He is intelligent and knowledgeable, and quick to grasp the major issues in any dispute. He knows and understands people from the working person to the CEO. As you well know, Dick is progressive but certainly not radical. He understands politics (in the highest sense of that term) but would not let that interfere with his decisions as a Justice. I sincerely recommend to you and encourage your appointment of Richard Riley as a Justice to the United States Supreme Court.19

Riley responded to Harvey, “I was personally moved by the sincerity of your letter to the President. If I was writing to him about you and your professional & personal life, it would be just as strong. Thank you so much…. Since my real love is education & I feel so lucky to serve in this position, I have informed our friends in the White House that I am not a candidate for the Court. However, I am deeply honored & somewhat shocked by being considered. But your unsolicited expression of friendship makes this whole conversation worthwhile to me. I shall never forget your letter.”20

The Personal series includes materials relating to Riley’s involvement as a private citizen with education and other issues and public interest groups, as well as files on his family, his campaigns for office, legal career, oral histories conducted with Riley, schedules, and travel. 1994 saw the passing of Riley’s father, “Mr. Ted,” at the age of 94, followed shortly by Riley’s undergoing cancer surgery. The collection includes condolence letters and get-well notes. Also included are letters of recommendation Riley sent for colleagues and friends seeking jobs or community service positions, and those being considered for awards.

Academic papers date from Riley’s work, circa 1987 to 1991, as a visiting professor at Austin Peay State University and at Harvard University, as well as various lectures he gave at Furman University and the University of South Carolina around the same time. Riley’s stint at Harvard, where he held an Institute of Politics Fellowship for the spring semester of 1990, is particularly well documented. His “study group” was titled “The Changing Role of Governors: Solving Problems vs. Cutting Ribbons,” and his lectures, as well as his selection of guest lecturers, illustrate his philosophy about executive government and his experiences in office. Documents relating to Riley’s own school years are found under Personal, Education, and include class notes, report cards, and correspondence.

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19 W. Brantley Harvey, Jr. to President Bill Clinton, 16 Apr. 1994.
20 Riley to Harvey, 6 May 1994.
Campaign files detail Riley’s races for the House, Senate, and Governor, as well as his efforts for other candidates, including Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton, Al Gore, and numerous members of Congress. Of particular interest are the files documenting Riley’s campaign for governor in 1978. Riley entered the race early in 1977 and built a wide-ranging campaign organization, including finance and steering committees, advisory committees from the African-American, student, and senior citizen communities, and an “Educators and Parents for Riley” group. Also key to Riley’s ultimate come-from-behind victory was a strong county-by-county organization. Support from his hometown was enthusiastic, as indicated by an invitation to a Greenville fundraising event: “As a Greenville Senator and Representative for fourteen years, Dick has repeatedly demonstrated a rare quality of leadership and courage. This is the type of man that can lead South Carolina. There has not been a Governor from Greenville for seventy years. Therefore, we are counting on you to join in our efforts to elect Dick Riley the next Governor of South Carolina.”21 Responses to this invitation included a note from attorney Robert A. Clay of Greenville: “Be advised that although I am a former Chairman of the Republican Party in Greenville County, Dick has my absolute support, irrespective of who runs against him for Governor.”22 Also included are files relating to Riley’s 1982 re-election campaign, the first of its kind following the ratification of the constitutional amendment allowing gubernatorial succession.

Family papers include genealogical information as well as correspondence among Riley’s close-knit family. A highlight is a set of notes made by Ann “Tunky” Riley regarding various trips abroad and important events attended by the Rileys during their years in the public eye. Among others represented in the subseries are Riley’s father, E.P. “Ted” Riley, including the extensive condolence notes after his death in 1994, as well as Riley’s brother, Pat, and his mother, Martha. Ted Riley and Tunky Riley have collections under their own names at South Carolina Political Collections.

The Topical subseries of Personal depicts Riley’s continuing interest and involvement in education and children’s issues between his terms as governor and Secretary and following his service as Secretary. It includes material relating to the Riley Institute at Furman University, as well as documenting Riley’s activity in the Democratic Party. A substantial Persons subseries contains files on Jimmy Carter, Pat Conroy, Bryan Dorn, John Glenn, members of the Kennedy family, and others. Among the folders on Bill Clinton are many from Riley’s service on a 2001 panel selecting an Irish university to serve as the home for the William J. Clinton Centre for American Studies.

The Speeches and Media series includes notes, talking points, and speech texts dating from the early days of Riley’s public career to the present. Especially earlier in his career, Riley often drafted his own remarks or talking points, sometimes on the reverse of an invitation or event program. He also enjoyed collecting anecdotes, humorous country music lyrics, quotes, statistics, and other information that often found its way into his speeches.

22 21 June 1977.
(see Speech Material). As Secretary of Education, Riley made an extraordinary number of speeches and public statements, at times as many as three or more per day. He also instituted the annual State of American Education address, which he saw as a means for ED to review and to plan for the year ahead, as well as an opportunity for focused public and media attention. The Speeches subseries includes speech texts, which Riley usually annotated and edited heavily, sometimes with multiple drafts. Speech files often incorporate invitations, programs, background material, and information about travel arrangements and attendees.

Media files include articles written by Riley, particularly as Secretary of Education, and notes and talking points for interviews, as well as a set of press releases issued by Riley’s office from 1993 to 2000.

Audiovisual materials date largely from Riley’s campaign for governor onward, and include formats such as U-matic and VHS videocassettes. Most are labeled as to their content (see appendix) and some have been migrated to digital formats. Of particular interest are the Department of Education’s Satellite Town Meetings, which were monthly events on a wide variety of education topics, often featuring guest speakers, broadcast nationally via the Public Broadcasting System, local access channels, and the Discovery Channel. The audiovisual materials also hint at the great number of speeches and public appearances Riley made as Secretary of Education. A large number of photographs date from early 20th-century family photos to significant documentation of Riley’s terms as governor and as Secretary. VIP photo files feature public figures, including numerous governors, members of Congress, and presidents, as well as Ella Fitzgerald, Coretta Scott King, Jesse Jackson, Mother Teresa, Benjamin Mays, and many others.

Clippings consist of newspaper and other articles, generally mentioning Riley or his family. Chronological clippings files were maintained by the Office of the Governor and, for a short time, by the office of the Secretary of Education. Loose clippings have been arranged topically.
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Judicial Reform
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Southeastern Assembly on State Legislatures

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National Teacher Forum, “Dreaming Change 2000”
National and State Teachers of the Year/Teacher Forum
Principal for a Day, PENCIL (“Public Education Needs Civil Involvement in Learning”)
“A Teacher’s Guide to the U.S. Department of Education”

Technical and Vocational

Technology:
General
AT&T Global Distance Learning Program
Community Technology Centers
E-Rate
“Getting America’s Students Ready for the 21st Century: Meeting the Technology Literacy Challenge”
“Parents Guide to the Internet”
Web-Based Education Commission
Y2K (Year 2000 Problem)

[Testing, see: Assessment]

Title I (Lower-Income) Schools and Programs: [see also: Aguilar v. Felton; Funding, ESEA Reauthorization]

General
Early Intervention (dropout prevention)
Educational Empowerment Zones/Education Opportunity Zones
Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP)

TRIO Programs
Twenty-First (21st) Century Learning Initiative
Uniforms, School

Violence in Schools: [see also: Topical, Gun Control]
General:
1992-1998
1999-2000 and no date

Gun-Free Schools Act/Gun-Free School Zones Act
Higher Education
Safe Schools/Healthy Students Initiative
School Shootings:
  General
  Columbine High School, 1999
  White House Conference on School Safety: Causes and Prevention of Youth
  Violence, 15 Oct. 1998
  White House Strategy Session on Children, Violence, and Responsibility,
  10 May 1999

[Vocational, see: Technical and Vocational]
Welfare-to-Work
Energy, Nuclear Waste
Foreign Affairs: [see also: Topical, Education, International Collaboration; Travel]
  General
  Ireland/Northern Ireland:
    Ambassadorship to Ireland, Riley Proposed for, 1998
    Belfast Agreement (Good Friday Agreement), 1998
  Israel-Jordan Peace Treaty, 1994
  Persons, Holbrooke, Richard
Gun Control
Health Care:
  General
  Health Care Reform:
    General
    Background Materials, Briefing Book (2)

Congressional Calls
  President’s Task Force on, Briefing Book (4)
Impeachment of President Bill Clinton:
  General
  “Preliminary Memorandum Concerning Referral of Office of Independent Counsel”
Judiciary, Supreme Court, Riley Proposed as Nominee for, 1993, 1994
Middle Class Bill of Rights
Race Initiative, President’s
South Carolina: [See also Education—South Carolina]
  General
  Charleston Naval Base and Shipyard Closing, 1993
  Welfare Reform, Working Session on, 28 Jan. 1995, Briefing Book (3)

Travel: [see also: Topical, Education, International Collaboration; Briefing Books; Speeches]
  General
  1993:
    General
    30 Apr., New Orleans, LA (with POTUS)
    4-14 July, Philadelphia, PA/Davenport, IA/San Francisco, CA/Japan/South Korea/Hawaii (with
    POTUS and FLOTUS)
  1994
  1995:
    General
    10 Jan., Galesburg, IL (with POTUS)
25 Jan., Kutztown, PA (with POTUS)
14-15 Feb., San Francisco, CA/San Bernardino, CA/Palm Springs, CA (with POTUS)
29 Nov.-3 Dec., Northern Ireland and Ireland (with POTUS):
   General
   Briefing Books (3)
   (Irish Department of Education)
9 Dec., Miami, FL (with VPOTUS)

1996:

   General
   Early Jan., France, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development Education
   Committee Meeting
20 Jan., Houston, TX, Funeral of Barbara Jordan (with POTUS)
27 Mar., Palisades, NY (with POTUS)
24 June, Nashville, TN/New York, NY (with POTUS)
25 July, Atlanta, GA, Olympic Games (with POTUS)
15 Aug., Atlanta, GA, Paralympic Games (with VPOTUS)

1997:

   General
5 Feb., Augusta, GA, HOPE Scholarship Program (with POTUS)
10 Feb., Annapolis, MD (with POTUS)
26 June-5 July, Ireland, Irish Fulbright Events (4)
10-16 Oct., Brazil, Partnership for Education Signing (with POTUS) (4)
3 Dec., Akron, OH/Chicago, IL (with POTUS)

1998:

   General
8-9 Jan., New York, NY/McAllen, TX/Brownsville, TX/Houston, TX (with POTUS)
28 Jan., Champaign-Urbana, IL/LaCrosse, WI (with POTUS)
2 Mar., Columbus/Atlanta, GA (with VPOTUS)
6 Mar., Nashua/Manchester/Concord, NH (with VPOTUS)
15-20 April, Chile, Summit of the Americas (with POTUS) (3)
8 May, Dover, DE (with POTUS)
12-18 May, New York, NY/Westport, CT (with POTUS)
12-14 June, Portugal, Expo ’98, Oceans Symposium (2)
3 July, New Orleans, LA (with VPOTUS)
9 July, Dubuque/Des Moines, IA (with VPOTUS)
25-27 July, Norfolk, VA/Denver, CO/Aspen, CO/Albuquerque, NM (with VPOTUS)
Sept., Ireland (possibly also Northern Ireland) (with POTUS)
Nov., Spain
8 Dec., Nashville, TN (with POTUS)
16 Dec., Tallahassee, FL (with VPOTUS)

1999:

   General
   c. Apr., Puerto Rico
   c. 23-27 May, England, Scotland, Northern Ireland, Ireland (2)
11 June, Providence, RI (with VPOTUS)
16 July, Des Moines, IA (with POTUS)
6 Sept., Norfolk/Newport News, VA (with POTUS)
30 Sept., Palisades, NY (with POTUS)
c. 5 Nov., The Netherlands, U.S. Embassy The Hague Millennium Project Launch
10-11 Dec., Little Rock, AR/Earle, AR/West Memphis, AR/orlando, FL/Fort Lauderdale, FL/Miami, FL (with POTUS)

2000:

General
25 Mar.-11 Apr., China, Japan, Singapore, Thailand, Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Education Ministerial Meeting (4)
14-16 Apr., Atlanta, GA/Palo Alto, CA/Bakersfield, CA/Los Angeles, CA (with POTUS)
3-4 May, “Education Tour,” Owensboro, KY/Davenport, IA/St. Paul, MN/Columbus, OH (with POTUS)
25 May-5 June, Italy, Ireland, Northern Ireland, England (2)
20-21 Oct., Jefferson City, MO/Lowell, MA/Boston, MA/Indianapolis, IN (with POTUS)
11-14 Dec., Ireland, Northern Ireland, England (with POTUS):
   General (4)
   Briefing Book, “Cabinet Delegation Information” (2)
2001, 9 Jan., East Lansing, MI/Chicago, IL (with POTUS)

PERSONAL:

General:
1937-1949 and c. [see also: Family]
1950s
1960s-1970s
1980s
1990-1992
1993
1994
1995
1996
1997
1998
1999 and c. 1990s
2000-2001
2003-2006
2007-2009 and c. 2000s
2010-2013
No date

Academic:
Austin Peay State University, Chair of Excellence in Free Enterprise, 1991:
   General
   Lecture Notes
Furman University/University of South Carolina Lectures, 1987-1989 and c.
Harvard University, Institute of Politics Fellowship, 1990:
   General
   Classes/Study Groups Attended by Riley
Forums and Events:
  General
  Economic Reform in Ukraine, Conference on
  “How to Manage the Politics of Infant Mortality” Brown Bag (RWR speaker)

Guest Lectures:
  “To Be a Politician” (Prof. Shirley Williams)

Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, Reporting
Schedules and Travel
Study Group, “Changing Role of Governors: Solving Problems vs. Cutting Ribbons”
  General
  Guest Lecturers

Lecture Notes:
  General
  McClinton, Mickey, Case Study, SC Death Investigation, 1979

Biographical Information (2)
Campaigns:
  1962, SC House of Representatives:
    General
    Congratulatory Letters and Thanks
    Media
    Primary Field
    Questionnaires
  1964, SC House of Representatives:
    General
    Congratulatory Letters and Thanks
    Coordinated Campaign (Greenville Democrats)
    Financial Records
    Media
    Republican Opposition
  1966, SC Senate:
    General
    Congratulatory Letters and Thanks
    Coordinated Campaign (Greenville Democrats)
  1968, SC Senate:
    General
    Congratulatory Letters and Thanks
    Contributions, Endorsements, and Thanks
    Coordinated Campaign (Greenville Democrats)
    Financial Records
    Media
    Republican Opposition
  1976:
    General
    Jimmy Carter Presidential (RWR State Chairman):
      General
Congratulatory Letters and Thanks
Events and Schedules
Fundraising
Issues
Media
Organization:
   General
   Delegates
   Steering Committees/Coordinators
   Volunteers
Reunion, Carter/Mondale Campaign, 1997
Transition:
   Inauguration
   Recommendations for Appointments (1976-78):
      General and Index
      A
      B
      C-D
      F-G
      H [see also: Campaigns, 1978, Persons, Holder, Dwight]
      J-L
      M-S
      T-Y
Requests:
   1976-1977
   1978
1978, Gubernatorial: [see also: 1976, Carter...Transition]
   General
   Biographical Sketches
   Congratulatory Letters and Thanks
County Files: (correspondence, events, contact lists, donations, media) [see also: Organization]
Abbeville and Aiken:
   General:
      1977
      1978 and n.d.
   Contact Lists
Allendale
Anderson:
   1977
   1978
Bamberg
Barnwell
Beaufort
Berkeley
Calhoun
Charleston:
   General:
1977:
   Mar.-Sept.

1978 and no date

Contact Lists
Cherokee
Chester
Chesterfield
Clarendon
Colleton
Darlington
Dillon
Dorchester
Edgefield
Fairfield
Florence:
   1977:
      Feb.-Aug.
      Sept.-Dec.
   1978 and no date
Georgetown
Greenville: [see also: Organization, Events]
   General:
      1977:
         Mar.-July
         Aug.-Sept.
      1978:
         Jan.-Feb.
         Mar.-Sept. and no date

Contact Lists
Greenwood
Hampton
Horry
Jasper
Kershaw
Lancaster
Laurens
Lee
Lexington
Marion
Marlboro
McCormick
Newberry
Oconee
Orangeburg
Pickens:
1977 and c. 1977
1978 and c. 1978

Richland:  Box 68
General:
1977:
   Mar.-Aug.
   Sept.-Oct.
   Nov.-Dec.
1978:
   Jan.-June
   July-Nov. and no date

Contact Lists
Saluda
Spartanburg:
   General:
      1977
      1978 and no date
      1978
Contact Lists
Sumter:
   1977
   1978 and no date
Union
Williamsburg
York

Debates and Forums
Democratic Party
Events:
1977:
   23 June, “Stag Fund Raiser,” Greenville (2)
   25 Aug., Greenville Organizational Meeting (2)
   27 Sept., “Opening Night” Gala, Greenville (2)
   2 Dec., Grand Opening, Campaign Headquarters, Greenville
1978:
   8 Mar., Riley for Governor Reception, Columbia
   7 Sept., Reception, Washington, D.C.

Financial Records:
   General
   Contributions:
      General
      In-Kind
   Disclosure Policy
   Treasurer

Form Letters and Contact Lists (Statewide):  Box 69
   General (2)
   Accountants
   Attorneys
Automobile Dealers
Bankers
County/Municipal Elected Officials
Educators
Furman University
Industrial Developers
Jaycees
Textile Industry
University of South Carolina
Women’s Organizations

Issues:
General
Abortion
Economic Development
Education:
   General
   South Carolina Education Association (SCEA)
Energy
Environment
Equal Rights Amendment (ERA)
Ethics
Health Care
Insurance, No-Fault
Judicial Reform
Public Service Commission
Senior Citizens
State Employees
Taxes
Textile Industry
Volunteerism

Media:
General
Distribution Lists
Newsletters (“Riley Now”)
Press Releases:
   1978 cont.:
      Apr.-May
      June-Nov.
Promotional Materials (brochures, cards, etc.):
   General
   Designs
Radio
Speechwriting
Television
Notes, Riley’s
Organization: [see also: Strategy]
General
Black Advisory Committee
Educators and Parents for Riley
Family
Finance Committees:
  Greenville County
  Statewide
[Research volunteers, see: Issues]

“Riley’s Raiders” (volunteer corps)  Box 70
Senior Citizens for Riley
Staff:
  General
  Meetings
  Memoranda/Call Lists
  Office Procedures and Forms
  “Riley Reports” (Staff newsletter)
Steering Committees:
  Greenville County
  Statewide
Students:
  General
  Greenville Student Organization
  University of South Carolina
  Young Democrats

Out of State Supporters
Persons:
  Carter, Jimmy (participation in Riley campaign)
  Dorn, William Jennings Bryan (primary opponent)
  Harvey, Brantley (primary opponent)
  Heller, Max
  Holder, Dwight
  Turnipseed, Tom (primary opponent)
  Young, Edward (general election opponent)

Polls:
  General
  Proposed
  Results

Research Material, Voting Patterns in SC
Schedules:
  General
  Long-Term Planning
  Riley, Mrs. Tunky
  Speeches

Strategy: [see also: Organization]
  General
  Field Observations and Memoranda (McGaha, Lois)
  Get Out the Vote
1980, Jimmy Carter Presidential:
   General
   Platform (Riley chair of Platform Drafting Committee)
c. 1980, “Calling Lists”
1982, Gubernatorial Re-election:
   General
   Biographical Sketches
   Congratulatory Letters and Thanks
   County Files: (primarily thanks to contributors/volunteers, info sheets)
      Abbeville
      Aiken
      Allendale
      Anderson (2)
      Bamberg
      Barnwell
      Beaufort
      Berkeley

      Calhoun
      Charleston (2)
      Cherokee
      Chester
      Chesterfield
      Clarendon
      Colleton
      Darlington
      Dillon
      Dorchester
      Edgefield
      Fairfield
      Florence
      Georgetown
      Greenville (4)
      Greenwood
      Hampton
      Horry
      Jasper
      Kershaw
      Lancaster
      Laurens
      Lee
      Lexington (2)
      Marion
      Marlboro
      McCormick
      Newberry
      Oconee
      Orangeburg

Box 71
Pickens
Richland (7)
Saluda
Spartanburg
Sumter
Union
Williamsburg
York

Debates and Forums
Democratic Party

Events

Financial Records:
  General
  Contributions:
    General (2)
    In-Kind
  Expenses (2)

Form Letters and Contact Lists:
  General
  Educators
  Legislators
  “Mansion Lists”

Issues:
  General
  Accomplishments, First-Term
  Criminal Justice
  Economic Development
  Education
  Environment
  Ethics
  Health Care

Media:
  General
  Phone Bank:
    Proposal
    Responses
  Press Releases
  Promotional Materials:
    General
    Designs
  Radio
  Television

Organization:
  County Coordinators (2)
  Finance Committee
  [Issues Group, see: Issues, General]
  “Riley’s Raiders” (volunteer corps)
Staff
Out of State Supporters
Poll, Apr. 1982 (3)
Republican Opposition (2)
Schedules:
   General, 1982:
      June-Aug.
      Sept.
      Oct.
      Nov. and no date
   Riley, Mrs. Tunky
   South Carolina Election Commission
   Strategy, Get Out the Vote
c. 1982, Call Lists (2)

1986, Mike Daniel Gubernatorial:
   General (2)
   Poll, Jan. 1986 (Democratic primary) (3)
   Republican Opposition (Campbell, Carroll)

1988, Michael Dukakis Presidential (RWR state steering committee chair)
1992:
   Bill Clinton Presidential (“Victory ’92” in SC—Riley chair): [Transition, see: Democratic Party]
      General (2)
      “Southern Governors’ Fly-Around”
   Congressional/Other Races

1994, Congressional Races

1996:
   Bill Clinton Presidential Re-election:
      General
      Convention, Cabinet Briefing Book (4)
      Debate Surrogate Materials (Vice Presidential)
   Issues:
      Economy
      Education (2)
   Congressional and Other Races

1998, Congressional Races

2000:
   Al Gore Presidential:
      General
      Appearances/Talking Points (Riley):
         1999 and c.
         2000:
            Jan. (Iowa Caucus)
            Jan.-Feb. (New Hampshire Primary)
            Mar.-Aug. and c.
            Sept.-Oct. and c. (2)
            Nov. and no date
Convention:
  General (2)
  Briefing Book (2)
Election Recount
Issues, Education:
  General (2)
  Bush, George W., Education Plan
  Memos for Gore, Riley's
  National Education Association (NEA)
  Press Releases
  Congressional/Gubernatorial Races (also lottery referendum in SC)

2002
2004:
  General
  John Kerry Presidential, Convention (2) (RWR state delegation chair)

2008, Presidential:
  General
  Convention
  Debate, Orangeburg, SC, 26 April 2007
  Debate, Charleston, SC, 23 July 2007
  Inauguration, Barack Obama, 2009

2010
Education, Riley’s:
  Furman University, Class of 1954
  Greenville High School, Class of 1950:
    General
    Reunions:
      30th Reunion, 1980
      35th Reunion, 1985
      40th Reunion, 1990
  University of South Carolina School of Law, Class of 1959
Family: [see also: AV, Photographs]
  General:
    1898-1925 and c.
    1954-1957
    1958-1959
    c. 1950s
    1960s-1970s
    1980s
    1990-1994
    1995-1997
    1999 and c. 1990s
    2000-2005 and no date

Dowling Family Reunions:
  1978-1980
  1981 (held at Governor’s Mansion)
Johns, Jasper (cousin)
Riley, Ann Y. "Tunky": (wife; see also Tunky Riley Papers)
General:
  1980s and c.
  1990s-2000s and c.
Notes on Travel and Events
Riley, Edward Patterson, Sr. “Ted” (father; see also E.P. Riley Papers):
  General
  Condolence Letters and Tributes, 1994:
    General: (see also: Get Well Notes and Correspondence)
    A-F
    G-H
    J-R
    S-Y and no last name
  Groups
    Funeral
    Greenville Bar Memorial Service
    Memory Hold the Door (South Carolina Bar)
Riley, Edward Patterson, Jr. “Pat” (brother):
  General
  Condolence Letters and Tributes, 2001 (2)
Riley, Martha Dixon (and materials from her family)
Vangby, Elisabet (Swedish exchange student, 1983)
Get Well Notes and Correspondence (1994 cancer surgery):
  A-B
  C-F
  G-J
  K-O
  P-R
  S-T
  W
Groups
Legal:
  General
  Associations
  Continuing Legal Education (CLE)
  Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP:
    General
    Boston Office, 2009
    Retreat, 1993
  South Carolina Bar Judicial Modernization Committee (1977)
Navy
Oral Histories:
  1986-1987, Interviewed by Jack Bass (3)
  2004, Interviewed by Miller Center of Public Affairs, University of Virginia
    [reference materials briefing book] (5)
Recommendations: [see also: Campaigns, 1976, Transition, Recommendations]
  1967, 1975-1977
  1978

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1990-1994
1995:
   Jan.-June
   July-Dec.  

1996
1997
1998
1999:
   Jan.-May
   June-Dec.

2000
2001-2004
2005
2006-2007
2008-2009
2010-2011
2012-2014 and no date

Schedules: [see also: Schedules in Campaigns, Governor, Sec’y of Ed; Travel; Speeches; Briefing Books]

1987:
   Jan.-Apr.
   May
   June-Dec.

1988-1992
2001:
   General (4)
   Appointment Books (2)
2002:
   General
   Appointment Books (2)

2003:

2004:
   General
   Appointment Books (2)
2005 (2)
2006 (2)
2007 (2)
2008
2009
2010
2011

Topical:
   Aging
   Arts [see also: Education]
   Awards and Honors: [see also: Speeches; Irish and Irish-American Heritage Groups]
General:
1966-1986
1988-1999 [including nominations for college presidencies, etc.]
2000
2001-2012

Honorary Degrees: [see also: Oversized]
General
North Carolina, University of, 2007
South Carolina Colleges and Universities (2)
Public Advocates Voice of Conscience Award (2006)
South Carolina Jaycees Distinguished Service Award (1966)

United States Jaycees Ten Outstanding Young Men Award Nomination (1966)  
Walden University, College of Education Naming for Riley (2007)
Winthrop University, College of Education Naming for Riley (2000)

Bankers Trust Piedmont Region Advisory Board
Barnwell, South Carolina, History (“The Barnwell Ring”)
Bosch International Board

Boy Scouts:
General
Distinguished Citizens Award, 1996 [contents of scrapbook presented to RWR]

Buncombe Street United Methodist Church, Greenville, SC
Carnegie Corporation of New York [see also: Children]

Children:
General
Carnegie Task Force on Meeting the Needs of Young Children (Riley chair):
1992 cont.:
   Apr.-May
   June
   July-Sept.
   Oct.-Nov. and c.
1994-1997 and no date

Children’s Enrichment Program, Craddock Center, Cherry Log, GA
Greenville Association for Retarded Children Campaign Appeal Honorary Chairman (1975)

Infant Mortality:
General
National Commission to Prevent:
1987
1988
1989
1990-1991 and no date

Southern Regional Project on
Southern Institute on Children and Families:
1992

Southern Legislators Conference on Children and Youth (1987)
Citizens and Southern National Bank Board of Directors, 1989-1992
Corporate Conscience, Forum for, 2003
Democratic Party: [See also: Personal, Campaigns (Riley’s and others’)]
Greenville County
National:
  General
Democratic Leadership Council (DLC):
    General:
      1987
      1989
Conferences:
  1987, Super Tuesday Summit
  1990
  1991
  Retreat, 1990
Democratic Policy Council
Potomac Group
Presidential Transitions:
  [Carter, see: Campaigns, 1976, Carter Presidential]
  Clinton Administration, Director of Personnel, 1992-1993:
    General
      Arts and Humanities Task Force, Briefing Book (Cultural Institutions)

Ethical Requirements
Box 79
Notes, Riley’s
Organization and Procedures
Positions to be Filled:
  General
  Commerce
  Education [see also: Sec’y of Ed., Admin, Appts & Hiring]
  Environment
  Health Care
  Housing
  Office of Management and Budget
  Treasury
  Recommendations and Resumés
  Schedules and Travel
  Strategy
Obama Administration, Informal Transition Team, 2008-2009
South Carolina:
General:
  1949-1976
  1977-1980
  1981-1984
  1985-1988
Democratic Leadership Council (DLC):
  General
  Chapter, Establishment of, 1990 (2)
  Meeting Handout, 1991
  “Renewing the Democratic Agenda,” c. 1991
  “Securing a Healthy Future,” 1991 (health care conference)
  State Chapters Program, Introduction to
Governors’ Dinners
Presidential Primary, 2008

Economic Development:
  General
  BMW
  International Center for Automotive Research (ICAR), Clemson University, Proterra Plant, 2010
  Michelin
  Southeast US/Japan Association, 13th Annual Joint Meeting, 1988 (3)
  Southern Growth Policies Board

Education:
  General:
    1987-1992 and c.
    2001-2017 and c.
  Arts: [Governor’s School for the Arts, see: South Carolina]
    General
    Music, NAMM (International Music Products Association)
  Aspen Institute Seminars: [see also: Personal, Topical, Education, Higher]
    “How Can Teacher Policies Improve Student Learning,” 2006
    “Transforming Education: Issues, Challenges and Solutions,” 2010

Assessment:
  General
  National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Governing Board:
    1988
    1989
    1990
    1991
  Testing, Standardized (ACT)
  Before- and After-School Programs (Afterschool Alliance)
  BellSouth Foundation Advisory Committee:
    1990
    1991
  Bill of Rights Institute, “Being an American” Essay Contest, 2008
  Broad Prize, Broad Foundation

Business Involvement in Public Education:
  General
Council for Corporate and School Partnerships (Coca-Cola) (RWR chair):
2001
2002-2003
2004-2005 and c.
2006-2007 and no date
Georgia Pacific/Dixie, 2002
Character Education/Citizenship
Charter Schools, Henry Ford Academy
Civil Rights, Brown v. Board 50th Anniversary, 2004: [see also: “With All Deliberate Speed...”]

General
Brown Plus 50: A Renewed Agenda for Social Justice
Consortium (Center) for Policy Research in Education, Executive Committee:
1990-1991
1992 and no date
Early Childhood
Education Commission of the States
2006:
Jan.-June
Sept.
Nov.-Dec.
2007 and no date
“Educational Accountability: Designing It to Help with Reform and Restructuring...Plus One State’s Experience,” article by Terry Peterson
Funding, Education Funder Strategy Group, 2009
High Schools:
Dropout Prevention
National Commission on the High School Senior Year
Higher:
General
Affirmative Action, 2003
American Council on Education (ACE)
Gates Foundation:
“Performance and Measurement in Higher Education Convening,” 2010
“Redefining Opportunity in America: College Readiness and College Completion,” 2008
State Higher Education Executive Officers (SHEEO) National Commission on Accountability in Higher Education (RWR co-chair):
2004 cont.:
Apr.-May
July-Nov. and c. 2004
2005:
    Jan.-Mar.

    May-Nov. and c. 2005

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2006
2007

Wesley Theological Seminary, 2001-2004

Hofstra University Presidential Conference on Clinton Administration, Papers and Panel
Discussion on Education, 2005

International:
    General
    International Benchmarking Advisory Group, 2008

Ireland/Northern Ireland:
    General
    Dublin City Univ. (Ireland), Nelson Mullins Event Honoring, 15 Mar. 2007

Jack Kent Cooke Foundation
K-12 Access and Diversity Collaborative Braintrust, Oct. 2008

Knowledge Works
Libraries

Miller Center, University of Virginia, “The 1989 Education Summit: A Reevaluation,” 2004
“Minority Education and the Pursuit of Excellence: The Project Challenge Model”

National Education Association (NEA) Foundation 40th Anniversary Ambassador, 2009

National Governors’ Association Results in Education Reports, 1988-1989

No Child Left Behind
Public Broadcasting Service (PBS)

South Carolina:
    General:
        2002-2017 and c.

    Arts, Governor’s School for the
    Education First

    Education Improvement Act: [see also Gubernatorial...EIA]
        General
        Implementation (incl. Joint Business-Education Subcommittee of the EIA):
            1987
            1988 and c. 1988 (2)
            1989 (2)
            1990-1992 and c.

    Outcomes/Reports

Greenville:
    General
    Carolina First Center for Excellence, 2002
    Education Forum, School District of Greenville County, 1988
    “Leaders are Readers” Event, Greenville Literacy Association, 2010
    Perceptis, Inc. (customer support for higher education)
    Stone Academy of Communication Arts, School Improvement Council, 2010

High School Reform Discussion, 2008

Box 82
Persons:
  Hayes, John Christopher (child mentioned by Riley in second inaugural)
  Rex, Jim (state Superintendent of Education, 2007-2011)
Public Instruction Cabinet Department, Proposed, c. 1991
South Carolina Education Connect, 2011
South Carolina School Improvement Council
South Carolina State Museum
Voices for South Carolina’s Children
Southern Education Foundation, 1987
Southern Regional Education Board (SREB):
  General:
    1986-1988
    1989-1991
    2002-2005
  Arts Education
  Educational Quality, Commission on (RWR chair):
    General:
      1987
      1988:
        Jan.-Feb.
        Apr.-May
        Aug.-Oct. and c.
      1989
  Reports
Meetings:
  1987:
    Annual Meeting
    Legislative Work Conference
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  Professional Teaching Standards, National Board for
  Columbia University, Teachers College, Petrie Teacher Fellowship Program, 2004-05
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    “Teaching at Risk: A Call to Action,” 2004
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  Sudan, “South Carolina Responds to Genocide” (Darfur), 2007

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  Glenn, John, Institute, The Ohio State University
  National Resource Center for State Laws and Regulations
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  Study of the Presidency and Congress, Center for, Strengthening America’s Future Initiative, 2008-2009

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- Bass, Jack [see also: Oral Histories]
- Bell, Terrell H. “Ted” [see also: Speeches, 6/26/96, 7/15/96 eulogies]
- Bernardin, Cardinal Joseph
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  - William Jefferson Clinton Centre for American Studies, Proposed (RWR headed panel considering bids, 2001):
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    - National University of Ireland, Galway
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- William J. Clinton Presidential Center and Park [Arkansas], Dedication, 2004
- Clyburn, James
- Collins, Michael (ambassador from Ireland to the U.S., 2007-2013)
- Conroy, Pat
- Dorn, William Jennings Bryan
- Edwards, James B.
- Gillespie, Dizzy
- Glenn, John [see also: Government, Glenn Institute]
- Graydon, Augustus “Gus”
- Heller, Max [see also: Gubernatorial, State Development Board; Campaigns...]

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  2001, 18-21 July, Young Presidents’ Org./Renaissance Family Retreat, Beaver Creek, CO
  2004, 30 June-4 July, Jackson Hole, WY
  2005:
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  1991:
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  1992, Egypt (Duke Foundation?) (3)
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    n.d., “Arts Awards,” Brevard, NC
  1988:
    Docent Luncheon at Riley Home
    “Former Staff Party at Sarah Shuptrine’s”
    “Robert Bosch Co. Chicago Weekend with Eckerts”
  1989, Groundbreaking, Riley Hall, Furman University
  2000:
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  College Partnership Event, 4 Feb. 1998
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  IBM/Achieve National Education Summit, Palisades, NY, 30 Sept. 1999

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