

# MACKAY, JAMES A. (JAMES ARMSTRONG), 1919-2004. James A. Mackay papers, 1963-2002

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## Descriptive Summary

**Creator:** Mackay, James A. (James Armstrong), 1919-2004.  
**Title:** James A. Mackay papers, 1963-2002  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No.456  
**Extent:** 38.25 linear feet (43 boxes) and 1 oversized papers box (OP)  
**Abstract:** Papers of Georgia Congressman James A. Mackay including correspondence, printed material, photographs, and writings.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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## Administrative Information

### Restrictions on Access

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### Source

Gift, 1968, with subsequent additions.

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**Citation**

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**Collection Description****Biographical Note**

James Armstrong Mackay, congressman and attorney, was born June 25, 1919, in Fairfield, Alabama. He married Mary Caroline Lee. He was a DeKalb County, Georgia, representative for six terms from 1951-1952 and 1955-1964, and served as a United States Congressman from 1965-1967. He received a law degree from Emory University (1947), where he later taught law courses and served on the Board of Trustees. He worked as an attorney in Decatur, Georgia. He died in Hamilton, Tennessee on July 2, 2004.

**Scope and Content Note**

The collection consists of the papers of James A. Mackay from 1963-2002. The papers include correspondence, clippings, photographs, and speeches. Materials concern his congressional campaigns, term as a United States Congressman, his service on the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, the passage of the Traffic Safety Act of 1966; the subcommittee on Public Health and Welfare; his childhood, education, and marriage; and various Atlanta and Georgia organizations in which he was active, including the Georgia Conservancy (which he helped found), Fernbank Science Center, and the Atlanta Bar Association

**Arrangement Note**

Unprocessed collection; partial inventory available.

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## Container List

### Original acquisition [collection file has detailed description of contents in Boxes 1-8 and 11-19]

Box	Folder	Content
1		Traffic Safety
2		Traffic Safety
3		Files, 1965, and prior
4		Files, 1965, and prior
5		Files, 1966
6		Files, 1966
7		Additions, January 1978
8		Additions, January 1978
9		Additions, February 1978
10		Additions, November 1978
11		Publicity file
12		Administrative file, 1965 (1966)
13		Correspondence, 1965 (1966)
14		Administrative file, 1966
15		Appointments, 1966 A-Z
16		Correspondence, 1966
17		Traffic Safety Hearings, 1966
18		Traffic Safety
19		Miscellaneous materials
20		Notebooks
21		Notebooks
22		Notebooks[
23		Scrapbooks of newspaper clippings
24		Folders of newspaper clippings and photographs

### Addition [2003]

25		Personal correspondence (unsorted)
26		Personal correspondence (unsorted)
27		Personal correspondence (unsorted)
28		Personal correspondence (unsorted)
29		Family correspondence
30		Condolence letters
31		Condolence letters
32		Congressional subject files
33		Congressional campaign contributions (card files) / Voting record, 1965-1966

- 34 Subject files
- 35 Subject files
- 36 Photographs
- 37 Appointment books, 1950s
- 38 Plaques
- 39 Plaques
- 40 - Sound recordings
- 40 - Mackay, Edward G., church service at Glenn Memorial Methodist Church, Atlanta, Georgia, 1956  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbshg]
- 40 - Mackay, James A., interviewed by Dot Young (WGKA), about medical illustration program at Emory, August 11, 1966  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbsd2]
- 40 - Mackay, James A., Steinharse Coffee Campaign Speech and Q and A, August 20, 1968  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbzmd]
- 40 - Blackburn, Ben (WRNG Radio), comparing and contrasting the Republican and Democrat platforms and answering audience Q and A, September 20, 1968; James A. Mackay talking to the Tucker Women's Club about his platform  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbznj][Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbzpp]
- 40 - Mackay, James A., "Atlanta Now" interview on WQXI, talking platforms and answering caller questions about Vietnam and the upcoming election, September 24, 1968  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbsjm]
- 40 - Mackay, James A., Charles Weltner and Fletcher Thompson, address to Atlanta Kiwanis Club, September 24, 1968  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbsmw][Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbsn1]
- 40 - Mackay, James A., "Young Men on the Go," October 29, 1968  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbsv][Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbssk]
- 40 - Mackay, James A., campaign speech for Congress, undated  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bcb9c]
- 40 - Mackay, James A., campaign radio spots, six 60-second spots, undated  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbstq]
- 40 - Mackay, James A., Easter Methodist Church Service, undated  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbsq9][Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbsrf]
- 40 - Mackay, James A., and Ben Blackburn, debate at Kiwanis Club in Atlanta, undated  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbbsp5]

- 40 - Mackay, James A., on WRNG Radio discussing 2 party system and issues of congressional campaign, undated  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbskr]
- 40 - Mackay, James A., campaign speech for congressional election in Atlanta for the Atlanta Women's Club, undated  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbsf6][Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbsgb]
- 40 - Mackay, James A., 1968 election program on WSB TV, interview with James Mackay followed by speech and Q and A; interview with Congressman Ben Blackburn, 1968  
[Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id bbzk8]
- 41 Correspondence
- OP1 1 Oversized photographs and certificates

**Addition [2006]**

- 42 Correspondence, newspaper clippings, printed material

**Addition [2018]**

- 43 1 The Case for a National Traffic Safety Agency, 1966 March 15
- 43 2 *The Congressional Record*, proceedings from the 89th Congress, 1966
- 43 3 Correspondence, 1966
- 43 4 House Reports, 89th Congress, 1966
- 43 5 Newsletters, *A Report to the New 4th District*, 1966
- 43 6 News Releases, 1966
- 43 7 Public Laws, S. 3005, 1966 September 9
- 43 8 Traffic Safety Act, 1966  
Includes drafts, summaries, workbooks, comparison sheets, and amendments
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