

# STRICKLAND, STEPHEN P. (STEPHEN PARKS)

## Stephen P. Strickland papers, circa 1900-2001

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## Descriptive Summary

- Creator:** Strickland, Stephen P. (Stephen Parks)  
**Title:** Stephen P. Strickland papers, circa 1900-2001  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 1360  
**Extent:** 5 linear feet (6 boxes), 1 oversized papers (OP), and 2 oversized bound volumes (OBV))  
**Abstract:** Papers of political bureaucrat and White House staff member, Stephen P. Strickland including correspondence, writings, printed materials, and photographs documenting his time in Washington, D.C., as well as correspondence and family genealogical material.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.
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## Administrative Information

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**Source**

Gift, 2015

**Citation**

[after identification of item(s)], Stephen P. Strickland papers, Stuart A. Rose Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library, Emory University.

**Processing**

Arranged and described at the folder level by Laura Starratt, June 2016.

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

Stephen P. Strickland was born on November 25, 1933 in Birmingham, Alabama, to Kelly Parks and Alice Winn (Peeples) Strickland. He earned a bachelor's degree from Emory University and continued his education at Johns Hopkins University completing his master's in 1966 and his Ph.D. in 1971. He married Tamara Gunsard, whose parents were Russian immigrants, on June 15, 1962, and the couple had one son, Jay.

Strickland moved to Washington, D.C., in 1959 and began work as a congressional staff assistant to Representative George Huddleston of Alabama. He later worked as a congressional staff fellow for the American Political Science Association from 1965-1966 and was a staff associate on the American Council on Education between 1967-1969. He was also the President and Treasurer of The Public Record. In 1967, Strickland was recruited to be the Deputy Director of the White House Fellows Program in the Lyndon Johnson Administration and succeeded founding director Tom Carr in 1968 to become director of the White House Fellows Program in the first year of the Nixon Administration.

Strickland was the chief executive, president and chairman of the National Peace Foundation, a precursor to the U.S. Institute of Peace from the mid-1990s to 2000, as well as senior fellow for the United Nations Foundation, managing global polio eradication efforts. He was also founding director of the University of California at San Francisco's health policy program, vice president of the Aspen Institute, a founder and the first chairman of the Choral Arts Society board, former president of the British Institute, and founder of Music at the Supreme Court.

Strickland died on April 9, 2015.

**Scope and Content Note**

The collection consists of the papers of political bureaucrat Stephen P. Strickland including correspondence, writings, printed materials, and photographs documenting his work in the White House and as a congressional assistant as well as his leadership of the National Peace Foundation and Music at the Supreme Court. There is a considerable amount of correspondence that contains letters to ambassadors as well as other state dignitaries. There is additional correspondence regarding his book on Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black, *Hugo Black and the Supreme Court*. There are also materials relating to his wife Tamara's family and a small amount

of correspondence to members of the Gunsard family living in the former Soviet republic of Georgia. In addition, there are a significant amount of papers about Strickland mother's family, the Peeples, as well as photographs of members of the family and many files Strickland kept for his own research on various topics.

**Arrangement Note**

Arranged alphabetically by record type.

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## Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Correspondence, 1985 August-November
1	2	Correspondence, 1986-1987
1	3	Correspondence, 1985 December-1986 February
1	4	Correspondence, 1987 August-September
1	5	Correspondence, <i>Hugo Black and the Supreme Court</i> , 1966-1967 [1 of 2]
1	6	Correspondence, <i>Hugo Black and the Supreme Court</i> , 1966-1967 [2 of 2]
1	7	Family correspondence, Peeples, 1951-1963
1	8	Family correspondence, Gunsard, circa 1990
1	9	Family and childhood records, 1931-1968
1	10	Family histories, circa 1930s-1956
1	11	Family histories, 1987-1997
1	12	Family histories, 1990-1992
1	13	Family histories, 1992-2001
1	14	Family papers, circa 1900-1940
1	15	Family papers, circa 1930-1950
2	1	Family photographs, circa 1900-1940
2	2	Family photographs, circa 1910s-1950
2	3	Family photographs, Peeples family, circa 1900
OP1	-	Painting, Tamara Gunsard, undated
2	4	Personal files, 1993-1994
2	5	Personal files, 1995
6	1	Professional materials, Aspen Institute, 1976-1978
6	2	Professional materials, Aspen Institute, 1979-1980
6	3	Professional materials, Aspen Institute, 1980-1981
6	4	Professional materials, Aspen Institute, 1982-1983
6	5	Professional materials, Aspen Institute, 1984
2	6-10	Professional materials, National Peace Foundation records, circa 1990-2000
2	11-15	Professional materials, Music at the Supreme Court records, 1988-2001
3	1-5	Professional materials, Music at the Supreme Court records, 1988-2001
6	6	Professional materials, photographs, circa 1970-1980
OP1	-	Professional materials, photographs, circa 1970-1980
4	2-3	Printed material, circa 1980s
3	6	Subject file, college exams, papers, and writings, 1953-1956
3	7	Subject file, "Graduate school work," 1965-1968
3	8	Subject file, "Grandmother," papers of Mrs. Bert Peeples, undated

3	9	Subject file, "Miscellaneous," folder containing correspondence and photographs, undated
3	10	Subject file, "Stephen's Music and Poetry," circa 1960s
3	11	Subject file, Tuscarora Wildlife Education project, 1989-1990
4	1	Subject file, "Washington Year," 1959-1975
5	-	Scrapbooks and photo albums, undated
OBV1-		Scrapbook, 1994
OBV2-		Scrapbook, Fifth Annual Jefferson County Citizenship Tour, 1951
4	4	Writing, <i>Dixiecrats</i> , 1998

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