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Summary Information

Repository	Center for Legislative Archives, National Archives and Records Administration
Title	Records of the Committee on the Judiciary
Date	1977-1978
Extent	264.4 Cubic feet (circa 661 archival boxes)
Language	English

Biographical/Historical note

On June 3, 1813, a standing committee on the Judiciary was established by the House of Representatives to consider legislation relating to judicial proceedings. Since that time, the scope of the committee's concern has expanded to include not only civil and criminal judicial proceedings and federal courts and judges, but also issues relating to bankruptcy, espionage, terrorism, the protection of civil liberties, constitutional amendments, immigration and naturalization, interstate compacts, claims against the United States, national penitentiaries, presidential succession, antitrust law, revision and codification of the statutes of the United States, state and territorial boundary lines and patents, copyrights and trademarks.

Scope and Contents note

The records document the work of the Committee during the 95th Congress. There is a large series of correspondence related to extending the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment and related to anti-gun control legislation. The Subcommittee on Crime also represents a significant portion of the records. There is also a complete record of printed legislation and hearing transcripts from the 95th Congress.

Arrangement note

The records are arranged into administrative files, committee prints and hearings, correspondence, legislative files, official communications, subject files, meeting transcripts, and subcommittee files. Any discernible series arrangement is noted therein.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Rule VII

The records are governed by Rule VII(3)b of the House Rules: (b) (1) A record shall immediately be made available if it was previously made available for public use by the House or a committee or a subcommittee. (2) An investigative record that contains personal data relating to a specific living person (the disclosure of which would be an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy), an administrative record relating to personnel, or a record relating to a hearing that was closed under clause 2(g)(2) of rule XI shall be made available if it has been in existence for 50 years. (3) A record for which a time, schedule, or condition for availability is specified by order of the House shall be made available in accordance with that order. Except as otherwise provided by order of the House, a record of a committee for which a time, schedule, or condition for availability is specified by order of the committee (entered during the Congress in which the record is made or acquired by the committee) shall be made available in accordance with the order of the committee. (4) A record (other than a record referred to in subparagraph (1), (2), or (3)) shall be made available if it has been in existence for 30 years.

Controlled Access Headings

Personal Name(s)

- Rodino, Peter W. , 1909-2005

Subject(s)

- Crime and criminal procedure
- Equal rights amendments
- Firearms--Law and legislation
- Gun control
- Illegal aliens
- White collar crime

Collection Inventory

Administrative files (21 archival boxes)

Scope and Contents note

Unanswered correspondence, vouchers, and general administrative files.

Committee prints and hearings (8 archival boxes)

Correspondence (91 archival boxes)

Scope and Contents note

Correspondence related to H.J. Res 638 (resolution to extend deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment); busing; abortion; gay rights; general subcommittee correspondence.

Legislative files (165 archival boxes)

Arrangement note

Bills are arranged by bill number, hearing transcripts arranged by serial number.

Official communications (13 archival boxes)

Scope and Contents note

Subject files

Executive communications, petitions, and memorials.

Subject files (64 archival boxes)

Scope and Contents note

Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, including transcripts and printed hearings and reports; illegal aliens; refugees; Nazi war criminals; privacy and electronic surveillance; Commissioner Rodino's files from the National Commission for the Review of Antitrust Laws and Procedures; Legal Services Corporation Act, including background materials, memos, board of directors meetings, and correspondence; bankruptcy.

Meeting transcripts (7 archival boxes)

Subcommittees

Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations (20 archival boxes)

Scope and Contents note

Bill files.

Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights (3 archival boxes)

Scope and Contents note

Reference materials concerning Puerto Rico.

Subcommittee on Crime (165 archival boxes)

Subcommittee on Criminal Justice

Scope and Contents note

Correspondence related to anti-gun legislation; subject files on parental kidnapping legislation, white collar crime, crime and criminal procedure, Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA), unemployment and crime, Speedy Trial Act of 1974, child pornography legislation; cigarette bootlegging, and other miscellaneous subjects; administrative files; working files.

Subcommittee on Criminal Justice (3 archival box)

Scope and Contents note

Subject files on the death penalty/sentencing in capital cases, including news clippings, witness statements, material for the record, hearing record; rape/evidence legislation; and legislation to combat international terrorism.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship and International Law (74 archival boxes)

Scope and Contents note

Sec. 204(d) Third and Sixth preference cases; Sec. 212(d)(8) and Sec. 212(d)(3) cases of the Immigration and Nationality Act; reports; Sec. 203(a)(7) conditional entry applications; executive communications; Soviet Jew cases; private immigration bills; public bills.

Subcommittee on Monopolies and Commercial Law (1 archival box)