

DANZANSKY, STEPHEN I.: Files, 1988-1989 – REAGAN LIBRARY COLLECTIONS

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International Economic Affairs Directorate, NSC, 1985- October 1988 – [See Separate Inventory](#)
Office of Domestic Affairs: Deputy Assistant for Economic Affairs, October 1988-1989

BIOGRAPHY

Stephen Ira Danzansky is an attorney practicing in Washington, DC and has been a presidential appointee in three Republican administrations: Richard Nixon, Ronald Reagan and George H W. Bush.

Danzansky was born on July 31, 1939 in Washington, DC. His father, Joseph Danzansky was a noted Washington, DC businessman. Danzansky graduated from Washington & Lee University and the George Washington University School of Law. Outside of government Danzansky has worked in several Washington, DC law firms and as an adjunct professor at the George Washington University School of Law.

Danzansky is an active volunteer, serving as an officer and director of numerous civic and cultural organizations, including the Washington Area Olympic Committee, Greater Washington Sports Authority, the YMCA, and the Washington Urban League.

Danzansky first executive appointment was as General Counsel and Operator for the White House Conference on Children & Youth from 1970-71. In 1985, Danzansky joined the Reagan White House as Director of International Affairs Directorate in the National Security Council. In 1988, he was recruited by Dan Crippen to centralize all economic affairs in the Domestic Affairs office. Danzansky had the title of Deputy Assistant to the President for Economic Affairs. He also retained close ties to the International Affairs Directorate at the NSC. Later he was appointed Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of Cabinet Affairs in mid 1989.

SCOPE & CONTENT NOTE

The White House staff Stephen Danzansky collection consists of notes, memos, papers, reports, cables and photos regarding economic issues, particularly focused on trade issues. It is clear Danzansky carried over material from his time at the National Security Council and, in fact, some material is marked in his hand as “transfer” material from the NSC to his White House staff collection. While most of the folders contain material from circa mid-October 1988, some of the material predates this time period by sometimes up to a year. This is a small part of the collection.

The Library was unclear on the exact position of Mr. Danzansky on October 16, 1988. We have personnel forms assigning Danzansky to the Office of Domestic Affairs with Dan Crippen as his supervisor and we also have forms showing him remaining associated with the National Security Council. The press release announcing his appointment simply states he is now the Deputy Assistant to the President for Economic Affairs. He used this title on all his correspondence. The collection shows a close working relationship with Dan Crippen, Assistant to the President for Domestic Affairs, and all material is on White House stationary rather than NSC. We have assigned Danzansky to the Office of Domestic Affairs.

This collection is arranged into three series : SERIES I: Subject File; SERIES II: Chronological File, and SERIES III: Appointments and Scheduling.

SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

SERIES I: SUBJECT FILE, 1988-1989 (1.9 l.ft.; Box 1-5)

This series consists of material related to economic issues, particularly foreign trade and trade barrier issues for U.S. products. Material covers the Canadian elections in the fall of 1988 and their effect on ratifying the Canada Free Trade Agreement; trade sanctions actions on Japanese rice, semiconductors, bearings and motion pictures in Korea: preparations for the Economic Summit (G-7) to be held in Paris in July 1989; preparing for the European Community's combined internal market instituted in 1992; foreign investment in the United States and particular instances (Gold Fields acquisition of); reports on US positions and other activities/ proposals from the mid-term review of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Uruguay Round held in Montreal the first week of December 1988; mismanagement at nuclear weapons plants; It is foldered in roughly alphabetical order by folder title.

SERIES II: CHRONOLOGICAL FILE, OCTOBER 1988-1989 (3 folders; Box 5)

This series consists of material regarding congratulations to Danzansky on his new appointment; requests for help with employment or meetings; and a few trade related issues. It is arranged in chronological order.

SERIES III: APPOINTMENTS AND SCHEUDLING, OCTOBER 1988-1989 (2 folders; Box 5)

This series consists of material relating to Danzansky's work schedule and social invitations from September 1988-January 1989. It includes invitations, noted meetings and responses to invitations.

SERIES I: SUBJECT FILE

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Agriculture

Airbus (Empty)

Bearings – Decision 10/28/1988

Brady Commission Report
Budget
[Budget – U.S. Strategic Modernization]
Canada Elections
Canada FTA (Free Trade Agreement) (1)(2)
Canada Shakes & Shingles (1)(2)
Competitiveness (Empty)
Debt (1)-(3)
Discussion Papers
Economic Policy Steering Group (EPSG)
Economic Speech/President Reagan 11/17/1988 (1)-(3)
Economic Summit – Paris, July 1989
European Community (Empty)
EC (European Community) Hormones
FY 89 Appropriations
Foreign Investment
G-8
Gold Fields (1)-(3)
India Situation

Box 2
Internal Market /EC 1992 (European Community) (1)(2)
Investment (1)-(4)
Japan
Japan Rice (1)(2)
Japan: Semiconductors
Korea – Motion Pictures
Libyan Oil Sanctions
Mid-Term Review (1)-(5)
Montreal Mid-Term GATT Review (1)-(9)

Box 3
Montreal Mid-Term GATT Review (10)
Nuclear Weapons Plants (1)-(3)
[Personal Note re: Danzansky Position]
Philippines - Base Negotiations
Press Conference - December 1988
Regulations (1)(2)
Resumes/Personnel
Savannah River (1)(2)
Science and Technology
Semiconductors (1)-(3)
Soviet Union
[Superconductivity]
Taiwan Turkey

Trade (1)-(6)
Trade Act of 1988 (1)-(3)

Box 4

Trade Act of 1988 – H.R. 4848 (Omnibus Trade Act, 1988) Title I-Title III (Binder)
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Trade Act of 1988 – H.R. 4848 (Omnibus Trade Act, 1988) Title IV-Title X (Binder)
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[Trade Act 1988 – Pending Actions Prior to Executive Order]
Trade Act of 1988 - Executive Order (1)(3)
[Trade Act of 1988 – Implementing the Executive Order]

Box 5

Trade Act of 1988 - Executive Order Implementing the Omnibus Trade Act of 1988
[Agency Comments] (Binder) (1)-(3)
[Trade Act of 1988 – Further Comments on Implementing Executive Order] (1)-(4)
Trade Act of 1988 – Executive Order Implementing the Omnibus Trade Act of 1988
[[Delegation of Presidential Functions] (Binder) (1)-(4)
Transition (1)-(4)
U.S. Economy
U.S. Exports

SERIES II: CHRONOLOGICAL FILE, 1988-1989

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Danzansky Chron File – September 1988-10/17/1988
Danzansky Chron File – 10/18/1988-10/31/1988
Danzansky Chron File – November 1988-January 1989

SERIES III: APPOINTMENTS

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Invitations Completed
Appointment Book 1988