



## **Feldstein, Martin: Files, 1982-1984**

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## **Record Type**

Textual

## **Biography**

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Martin Feldstein is a prominent American economist. Feldstein was appointed in 1982 to serve as Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors and President Reagan's chief economic advisor.

In 2006 Feldstein served on President George W. Bush's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board and in 2009 on the President's Economic Recovery Advisory Board for President Barack Obama. He currently serves as a George F. Baker Professor of Economics at Harvard University, and the president emeritus of the National Bureau of Economic Research.

## **Scope and Content Note**

His collection is arranged in nine series as follows: SERIES I: Correspondence; SERIES II: CEA Staff Memorandums to the Chairman, 1982-1984; SERIES III: Memorandums to the President, 1982-1984; SERIES IV: Memorandums to Administration Officials 1982-1984; SERIES V: Chronological File, 1982-1984; SERIES VI: Subject File; SERIES VII: Speeches And Prepared Testimony, 1982-1984; SERIES VIII: Staffing Memorandums, 1982-1984; and SERIES IX: Invitation Regrets, 1983-1985.

## **Series List**

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**SERIES II: CEA STAFF MEMORANDUMS TO THE CHAIRMAN, 1982-1984**

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**SERIES V: CHRONOLOGICAL FILE, 1982-1984**

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**SERIES VI: SUBJECT FILE**

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## **SERIES VII: SPEECHES AND PREPARED TESTIMONY, 1982-1984**

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### **OA 9810**

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
OPEN	Chron: Correspondence September 1982
OPEN	Chron: Correspondence October 1982
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OPEN	Chron: Correspondence July 1983

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OPEN	Chron: Correspondence March 1984
OPEN	[Chron: Correspondence April 1984]
OPEN	Chron: Correspondence May 1984
OPEN	Chron: Correspondence June 1984
OPEN	[Chron: Correspondence July 1984]

**SERIES II: CEA STAFF MEMORANDUMS TO THE CHAIRMAN, 1982-1984  
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<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	Memos by Lincoln Anderson to CEA Chairman
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Chris Ballanger, CEA Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Andrew Berg, CEA Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Geoffrey Carliner, Special Assistant
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from John Earle and Thomas Knieser, Staffers
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Jeff Frankel, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Daniel Frisch, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Ken Froot, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Suzanne Greenspan, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Stephen Halpert, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from William Haraf, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from David Henderson, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Gail Ifshin, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Thomas Knienser, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Evan Krewel, Staffer

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
OPEN	Memos to CEA Chairman from Paul Krugman, Staffer (1)-(5)
OPEN	Memos to CEA Chairman from Larry Lindsey, Staffer (1)-(14)
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Thomas S. McCaleb, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Steve McNees, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Greg Mankiw, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Rob Myer, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Glen Nelson, Staffer
OPEN	Memos to CEA Chairman from Bill Niskanen, Member, CEA (1)-(11)
OPEN	Memos to CEA Chairman from William Poole, Member, CEA
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from David Reitman, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Dan Roberts, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Charles Shorin, Staffer
OPEN	Memos to CEA Chairman from Lawrence Summers, Staffer (1)-(3)
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Robert Thompson, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Adrian Throop, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Kathy Utgoff, Staffer
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Bob Villanueva, Staffer

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<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	Memos to CEA Chairman from Ben Zycher, Staffer

**SERIES III: MEMORANDUMS TO THE PRESIDENT, 1982-1984**

**OA 9811, cont.**

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
OPEN	Memos to the President (Eyes Only) 10/18/1982-07/05/1984 (1)-(8)
CLOSED	Memos Not Sent

**SERIES IV: MEMORANDUMS TO ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS 1982-1984**

**OA 9811, cont.**

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
OPEN	Responses to Craig Fuller (1)-(3)
OPEN	Responses to Dick Darman (1)-(8)
OPEN	Memos to Others (Other Than the President) (1)-(6)

#### **SERIES V: CHRONOLOGICAL FILE, 1982-1984**

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<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence September 1982
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OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence January 1983
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence February 1983
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence March 1983
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence April 1983

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence May 1983
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence June 1983
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence July 1983
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence August 1983
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence September 1983
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence October 1983 (1)(2)
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence November 1983 (1)(2)
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence December 1983 (1)(2)
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence January 1984 (1)(2)
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence February 1984
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence March 1984
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence April 1984
OPEN	Chron File: Memos [Includes Some to the President] and Correspondence May 1984-July 1984

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<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	[Anderson]
OPEN	[Asian Countries] - China
OPEN	[Asian Countries] - Japan (1)-(3)
CLOSED	Bonyhady, Bruce
CLOSED	Budget Review Board
CLOSED	Business Round Table
CLOSED	Capital Budgeting
CLOSED	CEA Applicants
CLOSED	Department of Commerce
CLOSED	[Congratulations Letters Upon Appointment]
CLOSED	Consumer Survey - The Conference Board
CLOSED	Controlled Correspondence
CLOSED	Coutroubis
CLOSED	Crank Letters
CLOSED	Data Resources, Inc.
CLOSED	Dean Witter Memos
OPEN / DIGITIZED	<a href="#">Debt, International</a>
CLOSED	Democratic Statements
CLOSED	Economic Report 1983
CLOSED	Economic Report 1984 (1)(2)
CLOSED	Economic Report to the President [1984?]
OPEN	Economic Summit Meeting Notes
OPEN	[European Countries] - Belgium
OPEN	[European Countries] - France

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
OPEN	[European Countries] - Italy
OPEN	[European Countries] - Spain
CLOSED	[European Countries] - Switzerland
OPEN	[European Countries] - United Kingdom (1)(2)
CLOSED	Export-Import Bank of the United States
CLOSED	Fan Letters and Hate Mail
OPEN	Federal Reserve (1)(2)
OPEN	Federal Reserve Board Statements
CLOSED	[The Financial Times, Monday, 10/31/1983, "The Financial Times Survey - West Germany"]
CLOSED	[The Financial Times, Monday, 11/14/1983, "The Financial Times Survey - Singapore"]
CLOSED	[The Financial Times, Monday, 11/21/1983, "The Financial Times Survey - The Netherlands"]
CLOSED	Flat Tax
CLOSED	Forms to Keep
CLOSED	[Fulbright Alumni]
CLOSED	Group Mailings
CLOSED	Hand Written Material (Back-up Material)
CLOSED	Health
CLOSED	Infrastructure
CLOSED	Legislative Affairs
CLOSED	[Letters of Support]
CLOSED	Mailing List Backup
CLOSED	Markov, Andrei R.
CLOSED	White House Mess Bills
OPEN	Military Manpower Task Force (1)
OPEN	Military Manpower Task Force (2)

## **OA 9812**

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	National Bureau of Economic Research Publications

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
OPEN	National Security Council, October 1982-March 1983
OPEN	National Security Council, April 1983-June 1983
OPEN	National Security Council, July 1983
OPEN	National Security Council, August 1983 (1)(2)
OPEN	[Oil]
CLOSED	Old Engagements
OPEN	OECD (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) / Economic Policy Committee (EPC) September 1982-December 1982
OPEN	OECD (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) / Economic Policy Committee (EPC) January 1983-September 1983
OPEN	OECD (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) / Economic Policy Committee (EPC) October 1983 -11/16/1983
OPEN	OECD (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) / Economic Policy Committee (EPC) 11/17/1983
OPEN	OECD (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) / Economic Policy Committee (EPC) 11/17/1983-11/30/1983
OPEN	OECD (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) / Economic Policy Committee (EPC) December 1983
OPEN	OECD (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) / Economic Policy Committee (EPC) 1984
CLOSED	Policy Review Board [Property Review Board]
CLOSED	[Rousseas]
OPEN	Minutes of Senior Interdepartmental Group – International Economic Policy Meetings, December 1982-September 1983
OPEN	Minutes of Senior Interdepartmental Group – International Economic Policy Meetings, October 1983-December 1983

Status	Title
CLOSED	Steel Advisory Committee
OPEN	Trade Policy Committee (1)(2)
CLOSED	Department of the Treasury News Clips
CLOSED	Unemployment Information
CLOSED	U.S. Trade Representative
CLOSED	Velazquez, Martin

**SERIES VII: SPEECHES AND PREPARED TESTIMONY, 1982-1984**

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Status	Title
CLOSED	[10/07/1982-10/22/1982 - Confirmation Speech Folder]
CLOSED	[11/17/1982 - Commercial Club of Boston]
CLOSED	[11/18/1982 - "Budget Deficits and the Construction Industry" - National Construction Industry Council, Washington, DC]
CLOSED	[11/21/1982 - Meet the Press]
CLOSED	[11/29/1982 - "The Economic Outlook and the Effect of Budget Deficits on American Agriculture" - Department of Agriculture's 59th Annual Outlook Conference]
CLOSED	[12/02/1982 - "Budget Deficits and Economic Recovery" - Annual Dinner of the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve]
OPEN	[12/04/1982 - "What Sort of Economic Recovery?" British North American Committee, Washington, DC]
CLOSED	[12/09/1982 - U.S. Senate Joint Economic Committee Testimony on the Unemployment Situation]
CLOSED	[12/13/1982 - "How Can Our Trade Deficit Be Reduced?" - National Press Club, Washington, DC]
CLOSED	01/19/1983 - "Tax Reform and Capital Formation" - American Council for Capital Formation, Washington, DC
CLOSED	[02/18/1983-02/22/1983 - Testimony Mailing List]
CLOSED	[02/22/1983 - "Some European Lessons for America's Economic Future" - Rice University]

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	[03/01/1983 - "Why Tax Indexing Must Not Be Repealed"; Wall Street Journal]
CLOSED	[03/07/1983 - "Coping with the International Debt Problem"; International Management and Development Institute]
CLOSED	[03/10/1983 - Prospects for Economic Recovery" - National Association of Manufacturers Congress of American Industry, Washington, DC]
CLOSED	[03/15/1983 - "Spending and Taxing" - Financial World Dinner for the Outstanding Chief Executive Officers of 1982, New York, NY]
CLOSED	[03/16/1983 - "Prospects for Economic Recovery" - Annual Luncheon Meeting of the North Carolina Citizens for Business and Industry, Raleigh, NC]
CLOSED	[03/28/1983 - "Economic Recovery: From Hope to Progress" - Economic Club of Detroit, Detroit, MI]
CLOSED	[04/18/1983 - "Is the Dollar Overvalued?"; Council on Foreign Relations; New York, NY]
CLOSED	[04/19/1983 - "International Trade and the Dollar" - 1983 Chicago World Trade Conference; Chicago, IL]
CLOSED	[04/21/1983 - "Tax Rules and Capital Gains" - National Venture Capital Association, Washington, DC]
CLOSED	[04/27/1983 - "The Dollar and Exchange Market Intervention" - French Institute of International Relations, Paris, France]
CLOSED	[05/08/1983-05/10/1983 - "The World Economy"- 06/11/1983 - "The World Economy Today" - The Economist]
OPEN	[05/25/1983 - "Mechanisms to Solve Health Care Cost Inflation" - Testimony before the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources]

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	[06/03/1983 - "Sustaining the Economic Recovery" - American Stock Exchange Annual Washington Conference, Washington, DC]
CLOSED	[06/28/1983(?) - "Deficits, Taxes and Tax Reform" - 07/15/1983 - "Why and How to Contain Red Ink" - Wall Street Journal]
OPEN	[07/21/1983 - "Inflation, Monetary Policy and Budget Deficits" - Testimony before the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs]
CLOSED	[09/14/1983 - "Interest Rates and the Competitiveness of American Business in World Markets" - Chamber of Commerce International Forum, Washington, DC]
CLOSED	[09/22/1983 - "Current Economic Prospects" - Indianapolis Economic Association, Indianapolis, IN]
OPEN	[09/27/1983 - "International Debt Policy" - Brazilinvest Luncheon, Washington, DC]
CLOSED	[09/28/1983 - "Budget Deficits: The Clear and Present Dangers of Crowding Out" - Luncheon Address - Annual Meeting of National Association of Business Economists, Detroit, MI]
CLOSED	[10/25/1983 - "Exchange Rates and the Dollar" - Testimony before the House Sub-Committees on International Trade and Domestic Monetary Policy]
CLOSED	[10/28/1983 - "Is Industrial Policy the Answer?" - Commonwealth Club of California, San Francisco, CA]
CLOSED	[11/04/1983 - "Economic Progress and Prospects" - New Mexico State Business Forum, Las Cruces, NM]
CLOSED	[11/08/1983 - "The American Economy: Economic Progress and Prospects" - American Chamber of Commerce, Paris, France]

## **OA 9813**

<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
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CLOSED	[11/08/1983 - "Budget Deficits, Economic Activity, and Net Capital Formation" - Testimony before the Joint Economic Committee] (1)(2)
CLOSED	[11/30/1983 - "A Quiet Revolution" - Remarks to the Tax Foundation on the Occasion of Receiving the Foundation's Distinguished Public Service Award for 1983](1)(2)
OPEN	[12/05/1983 - "Fiscal Policy Issues for the 1980's" - The American Enterprise Institute, Washington, DC]
CLOSED	[Testimony (Martin Feldstein) Schedule]
CLOSED	[02/03/1984 - "The Budget Deficit and Government Spending" - Testimony before the Senate Budget Committee]
CLOSED	[02/06/1984 - "The Budget Deficit and Government Spending" - Testimony before the Senate Budget Committee]
CLOSED	[02/07/1984 - "The Economic Outlook" - Testimony before the House Appropriations Committee]
CLOSED	[02/08/1984 - "The Economic Outlook" - Testimony before the Senate Appropriations Committee]
OPEN	[02/09/1984 - "Monetary Policy, Budget Deficits, and the Economic Outlook" - Testimony before the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs"
CLOSED	[02/29/1984 - "The Dollar Exchange Rate" - World Affairs Council of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA]
CLOSED	[03/09/1984 - "Monetary Policy" - Annual Conference of the Export Import Bank, Washington, DC]
CLOSED	[03/26/1984 - "Our Economic Future" - The Hancock Bank Economic Symposium, Gulfport, MS]
CLOSED	[03/29/1984 - "Improving the Trade Balance: Deficit Reduction, Not Tariff Surcharge" - Testimony before the Subcommittee on Trade of the House Ways and Means Committee]

CLOSED [05/08/1984 - "International Debt Policy: The New Steps" - Council of the Americas Fifteenth Washington Conference, Washington, DC]

CLOSED [06/10/1984 - "Commencement Remarks" - University of Rochester School of Management, Rochester, NY]

**SERIES VIII: STAFFING MEMORANDUMS, 1982-1984**

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<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	Staffing Memos 1983
CLOSED	Staffing Memorandum - Cabinet Council on Commerce and Trade
CLOSED	Staffing Memos - Cabinet Council on Food and Agriculture
CLOSED	Cabinet Affairs Staffing Memo - Cabinet Council on Human Resources
CLOSED	Cabinet Council Staffing Memos - Legal Policy
CLOSED	Cabinet Affairs Staffing Memos - Cabinet Council on Management and Administration
CLOSED	Cabinet Council Staffing Memos - Cabinet Council on Natural Resources and Environment

**SERIES IX: INVITATION REGRETS, 1983-1985**

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<b>Status</b>	<b>Title</b>
CLOSED	1983 (Except December)
CLOSED	December 1983
CLOSED	January 1984
CLOSED	February 1984
CLOSED	March 1984
CLOSED	April 1984
CLOSED	May 1984
CLOSED	June 1984
CLOSED	July 1984
CLOSED	August 1984
CLOSED	Fall 1984



Status	Title
CLOSED	1985
CLOSED	Miscellaneous Regrets (Not Date Specified)