



Bakshian, Aram Jr.: Files, 1981

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Subtitle/Office

Office of Public Liaison: Special Assistant to the President

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Biography

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Aram Bakshian (1944-) is a native of Washington, DC. In addition to his political positions, he has been a free-lance writer, art critic, magazine editor, Harvard University lecturer, and corporate consultant.

His political experience prior to the Reagan Administration included work as an aide to Congressman William Brock (1966-70), a special assistant to the chairman, Senator Bob Dole, of the Republican National Committee (1971), a speechwriter and aide for Presidents Nixon and Ford (1972-75), and a consultant to Treasury Secretary William Simon (1976-77). Prior to joining the Reagan Administration, Bakshian was working on the lecture circuit and was a Senior Fellow at the John F. Kennedy School of Government.

In the Reagan White House, Bakshian served in the in the Office of Public Liaison from March to November 1981, then was Director of the White House Office of Speechwriting until September 1983. In 1987, President Reagan nominated him to a term on the National Council on the Humanities. The term ended in 1992, and that same year, he began in his position as Editor-in-Chief of the periodic journal *American Speaker*. He retired from the magazine in 2009. In 2014, Bakshian became a contributing editor of the journal *The National Interest*.

Scope and Content Note

Scope Note

When Aram Bakshian left the Public Liaison office, many of his files were utilized by his successor as education liaison, William K. Triplett. A substantial amount of material from Bakshian's files was incorporated into [Triplett's files](#), and remains part of the Triplett staff file collection.

This collection consists wholly of an alphabetical correspondence file and some subject folders on education liaison. The Reagan Library has located a small amount of material for Bakshian from his time in the Speechwriting office. Please see his [separate collection](#) for this material. In addition, many Reagan Presidential record collections (e.g., Office of Speechwriting: [Speech Drafts](#)) contain scattered material pertaining to Bakshian's work in this office. There are no series for this collection.

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