



Danzansky, Stephen I.: Files, 1988-1989

Finding Aid Type

White House Staff and Office File Collections

Subtitle/Office

Office of Domestic Affairs

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Record Type

Textual

Biography

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, Dan Crippen recruited Danzansky 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. During the George H.W. Bush Administration Danzansky served as Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of Cabinet Affairs starting in mid-1989.

Scope and Content Note

SCOPE 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 List

SERIES I: SUBJECT FILE

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; and mismanagement at nuclear weapons plants. It is foldered in roughly alphabetical order by folder title.

SERIES II: CHRONOLOGICAL FILE, 1988-1989

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

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Status	Title
OPEN	Agriculture
OPEN	Airbus (Empty)
OPEN	Bearings - Decision 10/28/1988
OPEN	Brady Commission Report
OPEN	Budget
OPEN	[Budget - U.S. Strategic Modernization]
OPEN	Canada Elections
OPEN	Canada FTA (Free Trade Agreement) (1)(2)
OPEN	Canada Shakes & Shingles (1)(2)
OPEN	Competitiveness (Empty)
OPEN	Debt (1)-(3)
OPEN	Discussion Papers
OPEN	Economic Policy Steering Group (EPSG)

Status	Title
OPEN	Economic Speech/President Reagan 11/17/1988 (1)-(3)
OPEN	Economic Summit - Paris, July 1989
OPEN	European Community (Empty)
OPEN	EC (European Community) Hormones
OPEN	FY 89 Appropriations
OPEN	Foreign Investment
OPEN	G-8
OPEN	Gold Fields (1)-(3)
OPEN	India Situation

Box 2

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

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

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OPEN	Soviet Union [Superconductivity]
OPEN	Taiwan Turkey
OPEN	Trade (1)-(6)
OPEN	Trade Act of 1988 (1)-(3)

Box 4

Status	Title
OPEN	Trade Act of 1988 - H.R. 4848 (Omnibus Trade Act, 1988) Title I-Title III (Binder) (1)-(7)
OPEN	Trade Act of 1988 - H.R. 4848 (Omnibus Trade Act, 1988) Title IV-Title X (Binder) (1)-(5)
OPEN	[Trade Act 1988 - Pending Actions Prior to Executive Order]
OPEN	Trade Act of 1988 - Executive Order (1)-(3)
OPEN	[Trade Act of 1988 - Implementing the Executive Order]

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

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

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OPEN	Invitations Completed
OPEN	Appointment Book 1988