Guide to the

Willie Mount Collection
1993-2003

14.25 linear feet

Collection Number 233

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Biographical Sketch

Willie Landry Mount was elected the first female Louisiana State Senator from District 27 on October 23, 1999, after serving 6½ years as the first female Mayor of Lake Charles, Louisiana.

A native of Lake Charles, Willie Landry married Benjamin Mount, a local attorney. She graduated from Lake Charles High School and holds a B.S. degree in Business Administration from McNeese State University.

A former small business owner, Mount has been very active in a variety of civic and community betterment projects. She is Past President of the Louisiana Conference of Mayors and served on the Executive Boards of the Louisiana Municipal Association and Council for a Better Louisiana. Mount also serves on the McNeese State University Foundation Board, the Christus St. Patrick Board of Counselors, the United Methodist Foundation, Prevent Child Abuse Louisiana Board, and the United Way Community Foundation.

Senator Mount’s leadership has been recognized in a number of ways. She was awarded Distinguished Citizen of the Year by the Boy Scouts, Public Official of the Year by the Msgr. Cramers Knights of Columbus, Public Official of the Year by the National Association of Social Workers, Woman of the Year by the Quota Club, Citizen of the Year by the Kiwanis Club of Lake Charles, and Citizen of the Year by the United States Marine Corps League. Mount also received the Community Service Award from the North Lake Charles Kiwanis Club, the Doretha Combre Award from the NAACP, the McNeese State University Distinguished Alumni Award, and the Patron of Architecture award from the Louisiana Architectural Foundation. Delta Kappa Gamma Society International honored her with their Golden Apple Award. She was also named a Special Friend of the Louisiana Municipal Association in 2002, 2003 and 2004 and was recognized by the New Orleans Regional Chamber and Metro Vision for her efforts during the 2003 legislative session.

Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of artifacts; newspapers; photographs and slides of Mount, 1996-2000; a report on the multi-sports complex, 1997; USS Avenger material 1996; and scrapbooks containing clippings chronicling Mount’s career, 1993-2000.

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<td>1993, Campaign scrapbook; 2 keys to the city; paperweight, 2 Lagniappes, 1993 and 2003; Louisiana Business, 1996; holiday card from Mount’s staff, 1993; cartoon clipping by Bobby Schmidt, 1993; letterhead samples ca., 1998</td>
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<td>1993 scrapbook; a report on the multi-sports complex, 1997; USS Avenger material, 1996; photo of Mount in Fourth of July parade, 1993</td>
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| 3 | 1994 scrapbook, slides of:  
   | LMA Dinner on Boardwalk, 1996  
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   | Calcasieu Sherriff’s Dept., 1999  
   | Unidentified, 1999  
   | Yolanda Boutte, awards (no date)  
   | Central School (no date)  
   | Unidentified (no date)  
| 4 | 1995 scrapbook  
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