

# Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Lois Wright

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## Overview of the Collection

<b>Repository:</b>	The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616 info@thehistorymakers.com www.thehistorymakers.com
<b>Creator:</b>	Wright, Lois E., 1949-
<b>Title:</b>	The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Lois Wright,
<b>Dates:</b>	November 14, 2013
<b>Bulk Dates:</b>	2013
<b>Physical Description:</b>	9 uncompressed MOV digital video files (4:27:29).
<b>Abstract:</b>	Broadcast entrepreneur and lawyer Lois Wright (1949 - ) served as the executive vice president and corporate counsel for Inner City Broadcasting (ICBC), one of the first African American-owned broadcasting companies. Wright was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on November 14, 2013, in New York, New York. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.
<b>Identification:</b>	A2013_280
<b>Language:</b>	The interview and records are in English.

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## Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Broadcast executive and lawyer Lois E. Wright was born on June 25, 1949 in Newark, New Jersey, to parents Robert Wright and Elise Onion. Wright earned her B.A. degree in American Studies from Douglas College at Rutgers University in 1970. After attending the Bout Hall School of Law at the University of California, Berkeley, Wright transferred to the Rutgers School of Law and graduated with her J.D. degree from there in 1973.

Upon graduation, Wright was hired by the City of Newark as an attorney in the corporate counsel's office. She became a lawyer for the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in 1977, and served there for three years in the Broadcast Bureau as well as the Office of Plans and Policy. In 1980, Wright became the general counsel for Inner City Broadcasting (ICBC), one of the first African American-owned broadcasting companies. She was later appointed as the executive vice president and corporate counsel for ICBC.

In 1996, Wright became a member of the Hudson Valley Chapter of The Links, Inc. She later served as the counsel to the board of directors for the National Association of Black Owned Broadcasters (NABOB), and as a member of the board of directors for the National Conference of Black Lawyers (NCBL). Wright is also a member of the National Bar Association (NBA).

In 2010, Wright received the distinct honor of being named as one of "The 50 Most Influential Women in Radio" by *Radio Ink* magazine.

Lois E. Wright was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on November 14, 2013.

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## Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Lois Wright was conducted by Julieanna L. Richardson on November 14, 2013, in New York, New York, and was recorded on 9 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Broadcast entrepreneur and lawyer Lois Wright (1949 - ) served as the executive vice president and corporate counsel for Inner City Broadcasting (ICBC), one of the first African American-owned broadcasting companies.

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## Related Material

Information about the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview, as well as correspondence with the interview subject is stored electronically both on The HistoryMakers® server and in two databases maintained by The HistoryMakers®, though this information is not included in this finding aid.

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## Controlled Access Terms

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

### Persons:

Wright, Lois E., 1949-

Richardson, Julieanna L. (Interviewer)

Stearns, Scott (Videographer)

### Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews

Wright, Lois E., 1949---Interviews

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## Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

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The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

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## Occupations:

Broadcast Entrepreneur

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Lawyer

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## HistoryMakers® Category:

LawMakers|MediaMakers

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## Administrative Information

### Custodial History

Interview footage was recorded by The HistoryMakers®. All rights to the interview have been transferred to The HistoryMakers® by the interview subject through a signed interview release form. Signed interview release forms have been deposited with Jenner & Block, LLP, Chicago.

### Preferred Citation

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### Processing Information

This interview collection was processed and encoded on 5/30/2023 by The HistoryMakers® staff. The finding aid was created adhering to the following standards: DACS, AACR2, and the Oral History Cataloging Manual (Matters 1995).

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## Other Finding Aid

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

### Series I: Original Interview Footage

Video Oral History Interview with Lois Wright, Section A2013\_280\_001\_001, TRT: 1:29:27 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Lois Wright, Section A2013\_280\_001\_002, TRT: 2:32:26 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Lois Wright, Section A2013\_280\_001\_003, TRT: 3:29:32 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Lois Wright, Section A2013\_280\_001\_004, TRT: 4:30:57 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Lois Wright, Section A2013\_280\_001\_005, TRT: 5:35:25 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Lois Wright, Section A2013\_280\_001\_006, TRT: 6:39:25 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Lois Wright, Section A2013\_280\_001\_007, TRT: 7:27:19 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Lois Wright, Section A2013\_280\_001\_008, TRT: 8:30:59 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Lois Wright, Section A2013\_280\_001\_009, TRT: 9:11:59 ?