

Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with The Honorable Mignon L. Clyburn

Overview of the Collection

Repository:	The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616 info@thehistorymakers.com www.thehistorymakers.com
Creator:	Clyburn, Mignon Leticia, 1962-
Title:	The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with The Honorable Mignon L. Clyburn,
Dates:	January 23, 2020
Bulk Dates:	2020
Physical Description:	8 uncompressed MOV digital video files (3:33:42).
Abstract:	Federal government appointee Mignon L. Clyburn (1962-) was a member of the South Carolina Public Service Commission from 1998 to 2009, and served on the Federal Communications Commission from 2009 to 2018. Clyburn was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on January 23, 2020, in Washington, District of Columbia. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.
Identification:	A2020_003
Language:	The interview and records are in English.

Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Federal government appointee Mignon L. Clyburn was born on March 22, 1962 in Charleston, South Carolina to Emily England and U.S. Congressman James E. Clyburn. Clyburn graduated from W.J. Keenan High School in 1980 and received her B.S. degree in business administration in 1984 from the University of South Carolina.

From 1984 to 1998, Clyburn worked as a publisher, editor, and general manager of *The Coastal Times* newspaper. In 1998, Clyburn became a member of the South Carolina Public Service Commission, representing South Carolina's 6th Congressional District. She served as commission chair from 2002 to 2004, and stepped down from that position in 2009. Clyburn was nominated to the Federal Communications Commission in 2009, where she served as a FCC Commissioner until 2018. She also served as the chair of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners' Washington Action Committee and as a member of the association's Audit Committee and Utility Commissioners.

Clyburn has been involved with many community organizations including the South Carolina State Energy Advisory Council, the Trident Technical College Foundation, the South Carolina Cancer Center board, the Columbia College board of visitors, the South Carolina Oversight Committee's Common Ground School Improvement Committee, and Edventure Museum's South Carolina Great Friend to Kids Committee. She served as secretary and treasurer of the Palmetto Project Board, as the chair of the YWCA of Greater Charleston, on the board of the Reid House of Christian Service, Edventure Children's Museum, Trident Urban League, and Trident United Way. She is a life member of the NAACP and a member of The Links, Inc. and served on the South Carolina Advisory Council of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. She also served as president of the Charleston County Democratic Women and Black Women Entrepreneurs.

Clyburn has received many awards and honors for her work, including being selected as the James C. Bonbright

Honoree in 2006, and the recipient of the Lincoln C. Jenkins Award for business and community contributions from the Columbia, South Carolina Urban League in 2007, and named the Women's History Month Honoree by the National Women's History Project in 2009. She has also received awards from Omega Psi Phi and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternities, Delta Sigma Theta and Sigma Gamma Rho Sororities, Mt. Zion AME Church, Charleston Chapters of the Islamic Society, Arabian Temple and Court, and the NAACP.

Mignon L. Clyburn was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on January 23, 2020.

Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with The Honorable Mignon L. Clyburn was conducted by Larry Crowe on January 23, 2020, in Washington, District of Columbia, and was recorded on 8 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Federal government appointee Mignon L. Clyburn (1962-) was a member of the South Carolina Public Service Commission from 1998 to 2009, and served on the Federal Communications Commission from 2009 to 2018.

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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.

Controlled Access Terms

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

Persons:

Clyburn, Mignon Leticia, 1962-

Crowe, Larry (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews

Clyburn, Mignon Leticia, 1962---Interviews

Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

Occupations:

Federal Government Administrator

HistoryMakers® Category:

CivicMakers

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).

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.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Original Interview Footage

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