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PROVENANCE

St. Louis native Ben Senturia, an ardent environmentalist, campaign finance reform advocate, and nuclear disarmament campaigner, donated this collection on February 6, 2010.

SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

**SERIES 1—CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM IN MISSOURI, 1996-2001
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From the late 1980s through the presidential election of 2000, Senturia worked with various groups to gain legislation that would limit the amount of money individuals and organizations could donate to political candidates. This effort culminated when campaign reform

advocates succeeded with their petition drive to put campaign finance law, Proposition B, on the 2000 election ballot. Voters soundly rejected Proposition B. This series contains correspondence and documents from the major campaign reform groups, Missouri Voters for Fair Elections (MVFE), Missouri Alliance for Campaign Reform (MACR), and Missouri Voters for Clean Elections (MVCE). Most of the material in Series 1 reflects the efforts of members of the reform groups to assess the overwhelming failure of Proposition B and consider new methods to gain campaign finance reform in Missouri.

SERIES 2—PAMPHLETS AND BOOKS ADVOCATING CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM, 1977-2001

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Senturia collected readings on campaign finance reform for over 20 years. The books and pamphlets here include material on campaign finance reform from other states as well as independent groups from across the nation.

SERIES 3—NUCLEAR WEAPONS FREEZE CAMPAIGN, 1980-EARLY 1990S FOLDERS 79-97

Senturia long advocated a freeze on the construction and deployment of nuclear weapons. Books and pamphlets compose the greater amount of material in this series but there is some correspondence and memoranda from the St. Louis National Clearing House, an organization headed by Senturia and located in St. Louis. The Clearing House played an important role in coordinating the Freeze campaign across the nation.

FOLDER LISTING

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SERIES 1 CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM IN MISSOURI, 1996-2001

1. Missouri Alliance for Campaign Reform, Constitution and By-Laws, March 25, 1996
2. Articles of Incorporation of Missourians for Clean Government, December 1999
3. Missouri Voters for Fair Elections (MVFE)—Proposition B-Steering Committee and Campaign Material in re Prop. B, for the November 2000 Proposition B Campaign, from April through November 2000
4. Memo from Jeanette Mott Oxford, Consultant to MVFE Steering Committee, “Where do We go From Here?” 12/2/00; Ben Senturia, “*An Analysis: The November 2000 Fair Elections Campaign in Missouri*”
5. Revised Agenda of Joint Board Meeting (MACR, MCG, MFVE) in re Campaign Finance Reform, sometime in December 2000
6. Kathleen Logan Smith to MVFE Executive Committee, December 4, 2000, “Media Survey for the Proposition B Campaign”
7. MVFE Report to the Piper Fund in re how MFVE spent the money it received in a Piper Fund Grant (\$70,000) for the Proposition B campaign. No date, but would have been late 2000-early 2001.
8. Undated memo to “Dear MoVFE Supporter,” with thanks for their donation and regrets that Proposition B lost. Late 2000-early 2001
9. Planning Notes (1/23/01) and Meeting Notes of MVFE Steering Committee Meeting, Columbia, MO, January 30, 2001
10. “Transition Team” Agenda, February 24, 2001. Proposals to merge campaign finance organizations
11. Campaign Finance Reform Reorganization discussions, March 1-2, 2001
12. Transition Plans: Discussions and Comments, by e-mail and phone conferences, March 12-14
13. Revised Transition Budget, March 15, 2001

14. Discussion on composition of Board of Directors for new campaign finance organization, March 16 and March 26, 2001
15. Further discussion on the Transition Issue, April 25, April 27, May 6, and May 18, 2001
16. Further Discussion on Merger and Creating a New Campaign Finance Reform Organization, June 15-June 30, 2001
17. Mixed items (draft bills, newspaper reports, etc.) related to campaign finance reform in Missouri, 1990s
18. 1991 Campaign Finance Reform, Senate Bill No. 479 and Supporting Information
19. "Draft Model Bill, Missouri Fair Election Campaign Act of 1993. (Drafted, 12/7/92)
20. House Bill No, 1323, General Assembly, State of Missouri, "Act Relating to Financing. . . Election Campaigns," 1994
21. House Bill No. 470, 84th General Assembly, State of Missouri, 1995. A Bill to Regulate Election Campaign Financing
22. House Bill No. 1136, 88th General Assembly, State of Missouri, 1996, Relating to Financing Certain Election Campaigns
23. House Bill No. 407, 89th General Assembly, State of Missouri 1997, Relating to Financing Certain Election Campaigns
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31. Democratic National Committee, *Democratic Party Campaign Finance Manual for State and Local Democratic Party Committees* (1987).
32. A. James Reichley, Ed., *Elections American Style* (1987).
33. Center for Responsive Politics, *Money and Politics: Pacs on Pacs: The View from the Inside* (1988).
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49. Howard Greenbaum, *Free Elections???* (1990).
50. Donald L. Barlett and James B. Steele, *America: What Went Wrong?* (1992).
51. Center for a New Democracy, *Musgrove Conference on Electoral Reform*, 1992.
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SERIES 3 NUCLEAR WEAPONS FREEZE CAMPAIGN, 1980-1989

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