

Guide to Richard Wainerdi's Texas Medical Center memorabilia collection; 1984-2012

Creator: Texas Medical Center's Office of the President

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Abstract: Richard Wainerdi's Texas Medical Center memorabilia collection, 1984-2012, represents many of the gifts given to Dr. Richard Wainerdi during his tenure as president of the Texas Medical Center in Houston, Texas from 1984 to 2012. He received these gifts from visiting foreign dignitaries, corporate representatives and government officials. The items in this collection consist of pen and pencil desk sets; scrolls; replicas of artifacts from various nations; memorabilia, such as commemorative hardhats; plates, and textiles. The collection consists of 9 linear feet (9 boxes).

Identification: IC 96

Location: Texas Medical Center Library

Language: The collection is predominantly in English.

Repository: John P. McGovern Historical Collections, Houston Academy of Medicine-Texas Medical Center; 1133 John Freeman Blvd. Houston, Texas 77030-2809.

Corporate Note: The Texas Medical Center is located in Houston, Texas and consists of more than 50 non-profit institutions as of 2013. The Center was founded in 1945 and employees more than 100,000 people.

Biographical Note: Richard Wainerdi was president of the Texas Medical Center (TMC) from 1984 to 2012. He was 79 when he retired from the TMC presidency. Wainerdi earned a degree in petroleum engineering from the University of Oklahoma. He spent 20 years at Texas A&M University. While at Texas A&M he founded the Nuclear Science Center. He came to the TMC after retiring from the Gulf Oil Corp. At Gulf Oil, he was president of the worldwide research division.

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Arrangement of Collection: This collection is arranged in groupings of desk sets, Asian memorabilia, and commemorative memorabilia.

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Related Material: IC 2 Texas Medical Center records at the McGovern Historical Collections.

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation: Richard Wainerdi's Texas Medical Center memorabilia collection, 1984-2012; IC 96; John P. McGovern Historical Collections and Research Center, Houston Academy of Medicine-Texas Medical Center Library.

Acquisition Information: This collection was deeded to the Texas Medical Center Library shortly after Dr. Wainerdi resigned as president of the TMC. A member of the TMC staff delivered the materials from the corporate headquarters to the McGovern Historical Collections on September 19, 2013.

Processing Information: This collection was removed from the original boxes, delicate items were wrapped, items were grouped according to similarities, i.e. desk sets were grouped together, items from foreign visitors were grouped together, etc.

Accruals: No accruals are expected for this collection.

Box-level Inventory

Box 1 – Desk sets and paper weights

Box 2 – Asian-related memorabilia

Box 3 – Asian-related memorabilia

Box 4 – Commemorative memorabilia

Box 5 – Commemorative memorabilia

Box 6 – Textiles, scroll

Box 7 – Asian-related memorabilia

Box 8 - Commemorative memorabilia

Box 9 - Commemorative memorabilia