

## Retention and Classification Report

**Agency:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk (1435)

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**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 30490

3

**TITLE:** 2020 election returns

**DATES:** 2020-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological by election date.

**DESCRIPTION:**

These records are election returns, and include ballot envelopes, ballots, tabs, and other related materials from each Washington County election precinct for the 2020 primary and general election. Series includes voted/unvoted ballots.

**RETENTION:**

Retain for 22 month(s)

**DISPOSITION:**

Destroy.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is authorized by Archives general schedule County election ballots and returns, GRS-262.

**AUTHORIZED:** 09-30-2019

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Office until administrative need is met and then transfer to State Records Center. Retain in State Records Center for 22 months and then destroy.

**APPRAISAL:**

These records have legal value(s).

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Protected Utah Code 20A-4-202 (2022).

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 26678

3

**TITLE:** Abatement application files

**DATES:** 1936-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological by year, thereunder alphabetical by surname of applicant.

**ANNUAL ACCUMULATION:** 2.00 cubic feet.

**DESCRIPTION:**

These records contain application forms completed by taxpayers requesting exemption from property tax. Exemptions may be granted to the blind, veterans with disabilities, or others suffering extreme hardship. Each application includes the applicant's name, address, birth date, age, social security number, and a series of questions concerning the applicant's financial situation and household income. The applications also include serial number of the property, number of acres, and notes of action taken.

**RETENTION:**

Permanent. Retain for 3 year(s)

**DISPOSITION:**

Transfer to Archives.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is authorized by Archives general schedule Tax abatement records, GRS-225.

**AUTHORIZED:** 12-04-2018

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Office for 3 years and then transfer to Agency Record Center. Retain in Agency Record Center until microfilmed and then destroy provided microfilm has passed inspection.

Microfilm master: Retain in State Archives permanently with authority to weed.

Microfilm duplicate: Retain in Agency Record Center permanently.

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 26678

**TITLE:** Abatement application files

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**APPRAISAL:**

These records have administrative, fiscal, and/or historical value(s).

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Private UCA 63G-2-302(1)(b), UCA 63G-2-302(2)(b).

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 26677

3

**TITLE:** Business license books

**DATES:** 1985-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological by date, thereunder numerical by license number

**ANNUAL ACCUMULATION:** 0.50 cubic feet.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This is a record of all business licenses issued by Washington County. "The governing body of a county may license for the purpose of regulation and revenue any business within the unincorporated areas of the county." (UCA 17-5-22 (1995) .

**RETENTION:**

Permanent. Retain for 1 year(s)

**DISPOSITION:**

Transfer to Archives.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is authorized by Archives general schedule County license books, GRS-266.

**AUTHORIZED:** 04-20-2018

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Office for 1 year and then microfilm and transfer to Agency Record Center. Retain in Agency Record Center permanently.

Microfilm master: Retain in State Archives permanently with authority to weed.

Microfilm duplicate: Retain in Agency Record Center permanently.

**APPRAISAL:**

These records have administrative, historical, and/or legal value(s).

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 26677

**TITLE:** Business license books

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**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 26655

1

**TITLE:** Census district maps

**DATES:** 2000-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological.

**DESCRIPTION:**

These blueprint maps are used to illustrate the boundaries of election districts. They are used for reference purposes. The maps include roads, streams, mountains, cities and towns and have had the boundaries of the voting districts added.

**RETENTION:**

Retain until superseded

**DISPOSITION:**

Destroy.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is proposed and has not yet been approved.

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Office until superseded and then destroy.

**APPRAISAL:**

These records have administrative value(s).

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 27693

1

**TITLE:** Declaration of Candidacy Forms

**DATES:** 1996-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological by date, thereunder alphabetical. Other arrangements include by office.  
**DESCRIPTION:**

Declaration of candidacy forms filed by persons intending to become candidates for an election for partisan and non-partisan offices as outlined in the Utah Code.

**RETENTION:**

Permanent. Retain until administrative need ends

**DISPOSITION:**

Transfer to Archives.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is proposed and has not yet been approved.

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Agency Record Center permanently.

**APPRAISAL:**

These records have historical value(s).

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public



**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 343

3

**TITLE:** Election registers

**DATES:** 1982-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Alphanumerical by district number, thereunder name of registered voter.

**ANNUAL ACCUMULATION:** 1.00 cubic foot.

**DESCRIPTION:**

These books are used to identify registered voters. They contain: the date of registration, name and address of registered voter, voting record for previous four years, if challenged grounds for challenge, and when applicable birthplace (state or foreign country) and naturalization number.

**RETENTION:**

Retain for 4 year(s)

**DISPOSITION:**

Destroy.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is authorized by Archives general schedule County officials register, GRS-254.

**AUTHORIZED:** 03-01-1991

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Office for 4 years and then transfer to State Archives with authority to weed.

**APPRAISAL:**

These records have administrative, and/or legal value(s).

This retention is based on the administrative needs expressed by the office. Though they have some historical value, it has been determined that it is impractical to maintain all registration books. They have been sampled for over a twenty year period keeping those for years that end in six (1966, 1976, 1986, etc).

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 343

**TITLE:** Election registers

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**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS:**

This report was reviewed and updated on 02/2020.

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 26679

3

**TITLE:** Fee books

**DATES:** 2002-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological

**DESCRIPTION:**

Fee books list all fees collected by the county clerk including marriage license fees, passport fees, and others. Each entry includes the date, name of person making payment, purpose of payment, receipt number, amount of fees, totals, and treasurer receipts.

**RETENTION:**

Retain for 4 year(s)

**DISPOSITION:**

Destroy.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is authorized by Archives general schedule County clerk fee books, GRS-263.

**AUTHORIZED:** 03-01-1991

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Office for 2 years and then transfer to Agency Record Center. Retain in Agency Record Center for 2 years and then destroy.

**APPRAISAL:**

These records have administrative, and/or fiscal value(s).

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 83156

3

**TITLE:** Marriage licenses and applications

**DATES:** 1885-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological

**DESCRIPTION:**

These licenses are issued after completion of a marriage license application and are filed in the office of the county clerk. "No marriage may be solemnized without a license issued by the county clerk . . . not more than 30 days prior to the date of solemnization of the marriage" (UCA 30-1-7 (1) (2004)). The license includes names, addresses, and ages of bride and groom; date and number of license; date of marriage; title and signature of person performing the ceremony; and signatures of bride, groom, witnesses, and county clerk.

**RETENTION:**

Retain permanently

**DISPOSITION:**

May Transfer to Archives.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is authorized by Archives general schedule Vital records, GRS-285.

**AUTHORIZED:** 08-29-2018

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Office until microfilmed and then maintain original in office.

Microfilm master: Retain in State Archives permanently.

**APPRAISAL:**

These records have administrative, historical, and/or legal value(s).

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 83156

**TITLE:** Marriage licenses and applications

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**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Private applications are private for 100 years

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 26697

3

**TITLE:** Oaths of office

**DATES:** 1975-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Alphabetical by surname

**DESCRIPTION:**

These records are the official oaths of office for persons elected or appointed to county positions. They are used to verify that oaths are given in accordance with the Utah State Constitution (Art. IV, Sec. 10). Before entering into their duties of office, all elected and appointed officials "shall take and subscribe to a specified oath or affirmation." These records are the official oaths of persons elected or appointed to county positions. They are used to verify that oaths are given in accordance with the Utah State Constitution (Art. IV, Sec. 10). Before entering into the duties of all elected and appointed officials "shall take and subscribe to a specified oath or affirmation." All oaths and bonds for county officials "shall be filed with the county clerk, except for the county clerk which shall be filed with the county treasurer" (UCA 52-1-3 (1995)).

**RETENTION:**

Permanent. Retain until administrative need ends

**DISPOSITION:**

Transfer to Archives.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

These records are in Archives' permanent custody.

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Office for 1 year and then microfilm and destroy provided microfilm has passed inspection.

Microfilm master: Retain in State Archives permanently with authority to weed.

Microfilm duplicate: Retain in Office permanently.

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 26697

**TITLE:** Oaths of office

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**APPRAISAL:**

These records have administrative, and/or historical value(s).  
This disposition is based on both the evidential and informational value of these records. They are important research tools. These oaths may be used to document the organization of the agency/office and to identify individual persons serving in elected and appointed positions. Oaths of office provide a historical record who held office.

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**SECONDARY DESIGNATION(S):**

Private. UCA 63G-2-302(1)(f)

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 23786

3

**TITLE:** Official bond record index

**DATES:** ca. 1904-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Alphabetical by first letter of surname.

**DESCRIPTION:**

"All official bonds shall be recorded in the office of the county recorder and then filed and kept in the office of the county clerk. The official bond of the county clerk after being recorded shall be filed and kept in the office of the county treasurer" (UCA 17-16-11 (1995)).

**RETENTION:**

Permanent. Retain for 95 year(s)

**DISPOSITION:**

Transfer to Archives.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is authorized by Archives general schedule County official records, GRS-305.

**AUTHORIZED:** 07-06-2018

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Office for 95 years and then transfer to State Archives with authority to weed.

**APPRAISAL:**

These records have historical value(s).

Disposition based on the value of these records in documenting agency/program achievements, policies, procedures, and function.

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public



**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 26654

3

**TITLE:** Passport application transmittal records

**DATES:** 1990-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological by date.

**ANNUAL ACCUMULATION:** 1.00 cubic foot.

**DESCRIPTION:**

These records document the applications received and fees collected daily for passports. The county clerk provides a service by taking the applications and collecting fees and then transmitting applications and the fees to the U.S. State Department. The office only serves as a collections center and does not process the applications. Passport fees must be paid in "U.S. currency or by draft, check, or money order payable to the Dept. of State or the Passport Office" (22 CFR 51.60 (1993)). The transmittal form includes the facility's name, address, and telephone number, applicants' names, birthdate, telephone numbers, departure date, check amount, type of fee (regular, amendments, no fees), total number of applications processed, final totals, name and signature of person preparing report, and any necessary remarks.

**RETENTION:**

Retain for 2 year(s)

**DISPOSITION:**

Destroy.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is authorized by Archives general schedule Passport application transmittal records, GRS-283.

**AUTHORIZED:** 08-29-2019

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Office for 1 year and then transfer to Agency Record Center. Retain in Agency Record Center for 1 year and then destroy.

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 26654

**TITLE:** Passport application transmittal records

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**APPRAISAL:**

These records have administrative value(s).

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Private UCA 63G-2-302(1)(h); 63G-2-302(2)(d)

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 28670

1

**TITLE:** Petition files

**DATES:** 2009-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological by filing date.

**DESCRIPTION:**

These files contain the formal written petitions from county residents submitted to the county commission proposing action. Each petition contains a statement of purpose on proposed action and signatures and addresses of petitioners. It is the responsibility of the county clerk to "preserve and file all petitions" (UCA 17-5-209(7) (1995)). Signatures must be verified to determine whether petitioners are registered voters.

**RETENTION:**

Permanent. Retain for 5 year(s)

**DISPOSITION:**

Transfer to Archives.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is proposed and has not yet been approved.

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Office for 5 years and then transfer to State Archives with authority to weed.

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 30489

3

**TITLE:** Tax restructuring revisions referendum petition

**DATES:** 2019-

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological by year received.

**DESCRIPTION:**

These records are petition signature sheets signed by individuals related to adding the tax restructuring revisions referendum to the election ballot. Petitions include signatures, addresses and dates of birth, and are verified to determine whether petitioners are registered voters.

**RETENTION:**

Retain for 22 month(s)

**DISPOSITION:**

Destroy.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is authorized by Archives general schedule Submitted petition records, GRS-1730.

**AUTHORIZED:** 04-20-2018

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

Paper: Retain in Office for 12 months and then transfer to State Records Center. Retain in State Records Center for 10 years and then transfer to State Archives with authority to weed.

**APPRAISAL:**

These records have legal value(s).

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Protected

**AGENCY:** Washington County (Utah). County Clerk

**SERIES:** 30489

**TITLE:** Tax restructuring revisions referendum petition

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**SECONDARY DESIGNATION(S):**

Public