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*Essays*—First drafts, 1976-1986  
"Secular Feminism"  
"The Girls" (Folger)  
"Three's a Crowd"  
1st Day of School  
Agnes of God  
Anonymous Letters  
Baby Boomlet  
Baby Sitter's Survival Notes  
Back to School II  
Boys at the Bar  
Breasts—Column  
Bridal Fair  
Bringing Up Yourself  
Burn Out  
Christmas Stories  
Coleman, Martha
Coming Home
Decadence—Column
Eddie Haskell Types
Election Muggers
Elevator of Friendship
ERA—Illinois
Fredness
From Minnesota: Recipe for Homemade Revolution
Guns & Rape
Henry Hyde
Homemaker—Column, letter
Houston Conference—Column
I'm Sorry Boycott
Incompletes
Kate Clinton
Knickerbocker
Lorraine Dillon
Machine Anxiety
Man-Hating
Manney
Mayor Moses
Meet A Member
Miss America/Penthouse
Missing Link
Mood of Menace
Morning Person
Mother's Day II, III
Mr. Mom
Ms. Coalminer Story
Name Change
Nascent Man
No Smoking I, II
NYT—Divorced Father's Day
NYT—Father's Day Wish
O.J. Motherhood
Offer [?] & Be Still
Paul Mike Burns—Thanks
Potentially Plural
Princess Leia
Problem of Kissing
Procrastination
Pro-Family Plan
Raising Sons
Ralph
Rape—Column
Reunion at 40
S.S.H! Strident & Hysterical  
Self Confidence  
Silences  
Singles  
Snow White—Article  
Sports Ear—Column  
Spring Break  
Talk Show  
Thanksgiving  
The Experts  
The Inaugural Gown  
The Injured Player  
Titters 101  
W.W.—Child/Toys  
Women [Ankh symbol instead of word] Who Kill

Box 2  
Correspondence with friends  
Katha Pollit  
Kiana Davenport  
Louise Armstrong  
Louise Benikow  
MKB—Editors  
M—Lou  
Marcelle  
Mary Mac  
Nicole  
Randy Kraft  
Sarah Pollock  
T. J.  
Writer Friends  
Zubeida's visit

Essays  
Body Image  
Ex-Lovers & Friends  
Miss Buxley  
Mother's Day I  
My Sister's Keeper  
Over 30 Moms  
Souls On Ice  
Toys for Boys

Hers column  
Burn-out & Spring  
Incompletes  
Ode to Kay  
Over Possessive Moms
The Stop ERA
Life Committee folders
  Ann
  Barbara Ascher
  Beth
  Carol Ryan
  Clair Safran
  Dalma Heyn
  Ed & Lynn
  Ellen Sweet
  Faye Ginsberg
  Gabrielle B.
  Julia Kagan
  K.C. Cole
  Kate Clinton & Trudy Woods
  Kathy Fury
  Kathy Lawrence
  Larry
  Marge Slaback
  Marti Bombyk
  Mary Ann
  Mary Lou W.
  Nancy Newhouse
  Nicole Hollander
  Patti O'Toole
  Sue Held
  Susan
  Susan Harding
  Sylvia
Miscellaneous Folders
  JAWS, 1998, 1999
  Johnson, Brent—Poems
  Johnson, Brent—Eulogy
  Letters: New York Times
  Letters: Vogue
  Letters to the Editor
  Loose papers, untitled
  Mary Kay & Howard
  Mary Kay & Howard, Book II
  NWU
  Newsclips
  Reader's Letters

Box 3
Articles & essays
  "Burn This & Memorize Yourself"
"Do You Believe This S***?"

Book ideas [3]

Legal materials
- Affirmative action
- Auditor's Bulletin
- Auditor coverage
- Auto Insurance
- Bank statistics
- Correspondence
- Council Agendas
- Insurance summaries
- Jay Snyder's meeting
- Settlement Instructions
- Settlement—December 1976
- Telephone #s for County officials
- Walter Lamirand versus Allen County
- Worksheet for financial report

Miscellaneous Writings
- Advertising
- Alcoholism
- Arthritis
- Bernadette
- Birth Control
- Books, Reading
- Burnout
- Children
- Children of Divorce
- Comparable Worth
- Conflict/Fighting
- Custody
- D & C
- Day Care
- Dual Careers
- Family
- Our Bodies

Miscellaneous Papers [5]

Box 4

Miscellaneous Writings
- Falling in Love
- Fatherhood
- Female Loathing
- Gun Control
- Humor
- Jealousy
- Language
Legal System
Lesbian/Gay
Male Children
Marijuana
Media
Medical Ethics
Mental Illness
Menstruation
Misogyny
Morés & Trends
Motherhood
New Age
Peace
Politically Correct
Politics
Pornography
Post—Feminism
Racism
Rape
Reaganism
Relationships
S & M
Self defense
Sex Roles
Step—families
Suicides
Surrogate Mothers
Unemployment
Unions
Wages
Wellness
Witches
Women's Magazines
Work: Discrimination
Work: Part Time
Working mothers
Yoga

Friends
Carolen
Carrie
Cathrynn
Fort Wayne: Friends
Fort Wayne: Letters
Fort Wayne: Women's Bureau
JDU—Legal Defense
Jane
Box 5 (partially full)
Friends
- Fort Wayne: History
- Roses & Raspberries
- Sister space
Miscellaneous
- Lecture—Markets
- Lecture—Networks
- Lecture—Programs
- Networks—Addresses
- Networks—Class Lists
- Networks—Local Universities
- Networks—Midwest
- Networks—Post Cards
- Networks—Universities
- Networks—West Coast
- Networks—Women's Organizations
- Networks—Writers
- NCI—Correspondence
- NCI—Programs
- NCI—Public Relations
- NCI—Turning Points
- Résumé: Student Evaluations
Miscellaneous writings
- Ann Arbor
- Boston
- Boulder
- Buffalo
- Chicago
- Denver
- Detroit
- Ft. Wayne
- Greenwich
- Juneau
- Kansas City
- Los Angeles
- Milwaukee
- Minneapolis/St. Paul
- New York City
- Ottawa
- Philadelphia
- Portland
- Provincetown
Sacramento
San Francisco
Santa Rosa
Seattle
South Bend
Washington, D.C.
Westport

*Pulling Our Own Strings: Feminist Humor & Satire* edited by Gloria Kaufman and Mary Kay Blakely, 1980

*Red, White, and Oh So Blue: A Memoir of a Political Depression* by Mary Kay Blakely, 1996

*Wake Me When It’s Over: A Journey to the Edge and Back* by Mary Kay Blakely, 1989