

R Findley Campaign, Papers, 1980
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INTRODUCTION

The Findley Campaign Papers document the contested Ward 5, Rolla City Council election of April 1, 1980, between Susan H. Findley and Jim Waterman. The collection includes materials on the campaign, election, and resolution of the election results. Circuit Court Records, sample election materials, newspaper articles, and Susan Findley's personal notes are among the items included in the collection.

DONOR INFORMATION

The papers were donated to the University of Missouri by Susan Findley on 18 November 1980 (Accession No. 53).

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Susan H. Findley was born in Florida on June 17, 1930. She received degrees from Agnes Scott College and Emory University. She moved to Rolla, Missouri, in 1965 with her husband Marshall E. Findley who was a member of the University of Missouri-Rolla faculty. Findley was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the League of Women's Voters. She died in Florida on July 30, 2010.

Findley was the Democratic candidate in the 1980 5th Ward, Rolla City Council election. The vote ended in a tie between Findley and her opponent Jim Waterman. Although Findley initially tried to challenge the count in court, she eventually dropped it because of the cost to voters in the Ward. Members of the council voted to give the council position to Waterman.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection primarily consists of documents from the Findley campaign. Susan Findley's personal correspondence, notes, and documents from her challenge in the circuit court are all included in the collection. City Council meeting minutes and newspaper clippings about the election are also included. Campaign advertisements from the campaigns of both candidates are also part of the collection.

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