

# Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with The Honorable Marcia L. Fudge

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## Overview of the Collection

<b>Repository:</b>	The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616 info@thehistorymakers.com www.thehistorymakers.com
<b>Creator:</b>	Fudge, Marcia L., 1952-
<b>Title:</b>	The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with The Honorable Marcia L. Fudge,
<b>Dates:</b>	September 24, 2018
<b>Bulk Dates:</b>	2018
<b>Physical Description:</b>	5 uncompressed MOV digital video files (2:10:51).
<b>Abstract:</b>	Political leader Marcia L. Fudge (1952 - ) became U.S. Representative for the 11th District of Ohio in 2008, winning reelection in 2010 and 2012, before being named chair of the Democratic National Convention in 2016. Fudge was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on September 24, 2018, in Cleveland, Ohio. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.
<b>Identification:</b>	A2018_189
<b>Language:</b>	The interview and records are in English.

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## Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Political leader Marcia L. Fudge was born on October 29, 1952 in Cleveland, Ohio to Marian Saffold. She graduated from Shaker Heights High School in 1971, and went on to obtain her B.S. degree in business administration from The Ohio State University in Columbus in 1975. Fudge later received her J.D. degree from Cleveland State University's Cleveland-Marshall College of Law in 1980.

After completing her J.D. degree, Fudge worked as a law clerk and then as director of the personal property tax department in Cuyahoga County, Ohio. Later, she served as the deputy county auditor for the county's estate tax department and the director of the Cuyahoga County Budget Commission. In 1988, Fudge worked as the director of budget and finance for the Cuyahoga County prosecutor's office. Then, in 1999, she entered politics as the chief of staff for U.S. Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs Jones, where she worked for a year before running and winning the race for mayor of Warrensville Heights, Ohio. Following the untimely death of Jones in 2008, Fudge became the U.S. Representative for the 11th District of Ohio. She won re-election for her seat in the subsequent elections of 2010 and 2012. In 2013, Fudge became chair of the Congressional Black Caucus for the 113th Congress and founded the Rock and Roll Caucus. In 2016, she was selected to fill the position as chair of the Democratic National Convention after the resignation of Debbie Wasserman Schultz.

Fudge served on the board of Cleveland Public Library for over twenty years and was elected vice president in 1986. In 1988, she was elected as the national treasurer of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Four years later, Fudge became the first vice president of the sorority and completed her tenure as national president in 1996. She subsequently joined the boards of Alcoa Aluminum and Judge Lloyd O. Brown Scholarship Committee. In 2003, Fudge was named a hall of fame alumna at the eighteenth annual Shaker Heights Alumni Association hall of fame ceremony. Fudge was featured in *Who's Who in Black Cleveland* in 2004 and 2005. The same year, she received the Trailblazer of the Year Award from the Norman S. Minor Bar Association. In 2007, Fudge received the Patricia

Roberts Harris Medallion Award for excellence in government service and was named Municipal Leader of the Year by the *Northeast Ohio Municipal Leader* magazine.

Marcia L. Fudge was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on September 24, 2018.

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## Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with The Honorable Marcia L. Fudge was conducted by Larry Crowe on September 24, 2018, in Cleveland, Ohio, and was recorded on 5 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Political leader Marcia L. Fudge (1952 - ) became U.S. Representative for the 11th District of Ohio in 2008, winning reelection in 2010 and 2012, before being named chair of the Democratic National Convention in 2016.

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### Restrictions on Access

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## Related Material

Information about the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview, as well as correspondence with the interview subject is stored electronically both on The HistoryMakers® server and in two databases maintained by The HistoryMakers®, though this information is not included in this finding aid.

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## Controlled Access Terms

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

### Persons:

Fudge, Marcia L., 1952-

Crowe, Larry (Interviewer)

Stearns, Scott (Videographer)

### Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews

Fudge, Marcia L., 1952- --Interviews

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## Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

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The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

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## Occupations:

Political Official

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Lawyer

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## HistoryMakers® Category:

PoliticalMakers

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## Administrative Information

### Custodial History

Interview footage was recorded by The HistoryMakers®. All rights to the interview have been transferred to The HistoryMakers® by the interview subject through a signed interview release form. Signed interview release forms have been deposited with Jenner & Block, LLP, Chicago.

### Preferred Citation

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### Processing Information

This interview collection was processed and encoded on 5/30/2023 by The HistoryMakers® staff. The finding aid was created adhering to the following standards: DACS, AACR2, and the Oral History Cataloging Manual (Matters 1995).

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## Other Finding Aid

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

### Series I: Original Interview Footage

Video Oral History Interview with The Honorable Marcia L. Fudge, Section A2018\_189\_001\_001,  
TRT: 1:28:24 ?

Video Oral History Interview with The Honorable Marcia L. Fudge, Section A2018\_189\_001\_002,  
TRT: 2:28:10 ?

Video Oral History Interview with The Honorable Marcia L. Fudge, Section A2018\_189\_001\_003,  
TRT: 3:29:29 ?

Video Oral History Interview with The Honorable Marcia L. Fudge, Section A2018\_189\_001\_004,  
TRT: 4:28:25 ?

Video Oral History Interview with The Honorable Marcia L. Fudge, Section A2018\_189\_001\_005,  
TRT: 5:16:23 ?