Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers ® Video Oral History with Les Bond, Jr.

Overview of the Collection

Repository: The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616

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Creator: Bond, Les, Jr., 1957-

Title: The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Les Bond, Jr.,

Dates: July 11, 2019

Bulk Dates: 2019

Physical Description: 9 uncompressed MOV digital video files (4:35:30).

Abstract: Investment banker Leslie Bond, Jr. (1957 -) was the first African American partner at

the law firm King & Spalding before he co-founded two investment advisory firms: Columbia Capital Management and Attucks Asset Management. Bond was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on July 11, 2019, in Chicago, Illinois. This collection is

comprised of the original video footage of the interview.

Identification: A2019 063

Language: The interview and records are in English.

Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Investment banker Leslie Bond, Jr. was born on July 18, 1957 to Leslie Bond, Sr., a prominent surgeon, and Anita Lyons Bond, a civil rights activist, in St. Louis, Missouri. He attended and graduated from St. Louis Country Day School in 1963, and went on to attend Princeton University, where he earned his B.A. degree in public and international affairs as a Woodrow Wilson Scholar in 1979. He then received both his J.D. degree and M.M. degree in finance in marketing from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois in 1983.

Bond was hired by the King & Spalding law firm in Atlanta, Georgia in 1983, making the firm's first African American partner. Their clients included The Coca-Cola Company, General Electric, and General Motors. In 1986, he was appointed deputy general counsel for the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority of Chicago where he was responsible for the development and financing for the expansion projects of both Navy Pier and McCormick Place. Bond was subsequently hired as general counsel to the Comptroller of St. Louis, Missouri, where he had additional responsibilities as fiscal manager of external finance. In 1996, he co-founded Columbia Capital Management, a firm that provided advisory services to municipal bond issuers and borrowers, as well as investment assistance to local governments. He served as senior managing director of their investment advisory group until 2001, when he co-founded another company, Attucks Asset Management in Chicago, where he served as CEO. Attucks Asset Management specialized in providing investment assistance for diverse and emerging managers. In 2011, he was appointed to serve on the Chicago Plan Commission, which was responsible for reviewing proposals involving planned developments and districts, as well as the Lakefront Protection Ordinance. He was reappointed to this position by Chicago Mayor Rahm Emmanuel in 2016.

Bond resides in Chicago, where he has served on the boards of the National Association of Securities Professionals, the Marshall Faulk Foundation, the Jackie Joyner-Kersee Foundation, and MOBILE Care Foundation. He has also been a member of the Alliance of Business Leaders and Entrepreneurs and the New American Alliance.

Leslie Bond, Jr. was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on July 11, 2019.

Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Les Bond, Jr. was conducted by Harriette Cole on July 11, 2019, in Chicago, Illinois, and was recorded on 9 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Investment banker Leslie Bond, Jr. (1957 -) was the first African American partner at the law firm King & Spalding before he co-founded two investment advisory firms: Columbia Capital Management and Attucks Asset Management.

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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.

Controlled Access Terms

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

Persons:

Bond, Les, Jr., 1957-

Cole, Harriette (Interviewer)

Stearns, Scott (Videographer)

Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews Bond, Les, Jr., 1957---Interviews

Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

Occupations:

Investment Banker

HistoryMakers® Category:

BusinessMakers

Administrative Information

Custodial History

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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).

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.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Original Interview Footage

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Video Oral History Interview with Les Bond, Jr., Section A2019 063 001 004, TRT: 4:30:41?

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