# Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers ® Video Oral History with Dr. M. Roy Wilson

## Overview of the Collection

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

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Creator: Wilson, M. Roy, 1953-

**Title:** The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Dr. M. Roy Wilson,

**Dates:** March 15, 2022 and October 31, 2022

Bulk Dates: 2022

**Physical Description:** 18 uncompressed MOV digital video files (9:45:06).

**Abstract:** University president and ophthalmologist Dr. M. Roy Wilson (1953 - ) was named the

twelfth president of Wayne State University in 2013. He has served in leadership roles at the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, UCLA, Creighton University, Texas Tech, the University of Colorado, and the National Institutes of Health. Wilson was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on March 15, 2022 and October 31, 2022, in Detroit, Michigan. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the

interview.

**Identification:** A2022\_024

**Language:** The interview and records are in English.

# Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

University president and ophthalmologist Dr. M. Roy Wilson was born on November 28, 1953 in Yokohama, Japan. He received his B.S. degree in biology in 1976 from Allegheny College in Meadville, Pennsylvania, his M.D. degree in 1980 from Harvard Medical School in Boston, Massachusetts, and his M.S. degree in epidemiology in 1990 from the University of California, Los Angeles. Wilson completed his residency in ophthalmology in 1984 and fellowship in glaucoma at the Massachusetts Eye & Ear Infirmary in Boston, Massachusetts.

In 1986, Wilson was named chair of the Department of Ophthalmology at the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science (CDU) in Los Angeles, California and assistant professor at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Department of Ophthalmology. In 1993, Wilson was appointed dean of the College of Medicine at CDU. He received accelerated promotions to full professor in 1994 at both CDU and UCLA. In 1998, he was appointed dean of the School of Medicine and vice president for Health Sciences at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska. In 2003, Wilson accepted the position of president of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Lubbock, Texas. Wilson then was named chancellor of the University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center in Denver and Aurora, Colorado, in 2006. In 2011, Wilson was appointed deputy director of the National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Wilson was named the twelfth president of Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan in 2013.

Wilson holds invited memberships in the American Ophthalmological Society (the oldest subspecialty society in U.S.), Glaucoma Research Society (worldwide membership limited to 75), Society of Medical Administrators (membership limited to 50) and the National Academy of Medicine. He served on the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Advisory Committees for Dermatologic and Ophthalmic Drugs from 1995 to 1999 and Ophthalmic Devices from 2001 to 2008. From 1994 to 2009, Wilson served on the executive/steering committee of

the National Eye Institute's Ocular Hypertension Treatment Study Clinical Trial and chaired the Data Monitoring and Oversight Committee for both the Los Angeles Latino Eye Study III (2010-2014) and the African American Eye Disease Study (2013-2018). He also served at the National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities from 2002-2005, the National Center for Research Resources from 2006-2010, and the Advisory Council to the NIH Director from 2016-2021.

Wilson served on the board of directors of the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) from 2013 to 2019 and was chair from 2017-2018. He has also served on the boards of Association of Academic Health Centers, Coalition of Urban Serving Universities, Association of Public and Land Grant Universities and the Charles Drew University of Medicine and Science (chair). Wilson currently serves on the boards of Research! America, Alliance for Health Policy, and the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

Wilson is married to Jacqueline Wilson. They live in Detroit, Michigan. He has two adult children, Presley Wilson and Travis Yoshio Wilson.

Dr. M. Roy Wilson was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on March 15, 2022.

# **Scope and Content**

This life oral history interview with Dr. M. Roy Wilson was conducted by Julieanna L. Richardson on March 15, 2022 and October 31, 2022, in Detroit, Michigan, and was recorded on 18 uncompressed MOV digital video files. University president and ophthalmologist Dr. M. Roy Wilson (1953 - ) was named the twelfth president of Wayne State University in 2013. He has served in leadership roles at the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, UCLA, Creighton University, Texas Tech, the University of Colorado, and the National Institutes of Health.

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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:

Wilson, M. Roy, 1953-

Richardson, Julieanna L. (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

## Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews Wilson, M. Roy, 1953---Interviews

# **Organizations:**

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

Wayne State University

# **Occupations:**

University President

# **HistoryMakers® Category:**

**EducationMakers** 

## **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).

# **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**

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. M. Roy Wilson, Section A2022\_024\_001\_001, TRT: 1:28:31?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. M. Roy Wilson, Section A2022\_024\_001\_002, TRT: 2:30:59?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. M. Roy Wilson, Section A2022\_024\_001\_003, TRT: 3:28:27?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. M. Roy Wilson, Section A2022\_024\_001\_004, TRT: 4:32:26?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. M. Roy Wilson, Section A2022\_024\_001\_005, TRT: 5:34:28?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. M. Roy Wilson, Section A2022\_024\_001\_006, TRT: 6:29:14?

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Video Oral History Interview with Dr. M. Roy Wilson, Section A2022\_024\_002\_008, TRT: 8:33:26?

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Video Oral History Interview with Dr. M. Roy Wilson, Section A2022\_024\_002\_011, TRT: 11:31:24?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. M. Roy Wilson, Section A2022\_024\_002\_012, TRT: 12:33:12?

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Video Oral History Interview with Dr. M. Roy Wilson, Section A2022\_024\_002\_015, TRT: 15:32:39?

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