

**REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY
TO DISPOSE OF RECORDS**

(See Instructions on Reverse)

TO: **GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE, WASHINGTON, DC 20408**

1. FROM (AGENCY OR ESTABLISHMENT)

Department of Labor

2. MAJOR SUBDIVISION

Office of the Solicitor

3. MINOR SUBDIVISION

Administrative Office

4. NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER

Vadine Walker

5. TEL. EXT.

961-3123

6. CERTIFICATE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE:

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DATE RECEIVED OCT 18 1974	JOB NO. NC - 174 - 75 - 2
NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY	
<p>In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 3303a the disposal request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be stamped "disposal not approved" or "with-drawn" in column 10.</p>	
10-29-74 (Date)	<i>James B. R. [Signature]</i> Archivist of the United States

I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposal of the agency's records; that the records proposed for disposal in this Request of 1 page(s) are not now needed for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified.

10/16/74 J. J. Lefrançois
Date (Signature of Agency Representative)

SOL Administrative Officer
(Title)

7. ITEM NO.	8. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM (With Inclusive Dates or Retention Periods)	9. SAMPLE OR JOB NO.	10. ACTION TAKEN
1.	<p>RECORDS OF THE OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR (RG 174)</p> <p>General Chronological Reading File, 27 February 1936 - 31 December 1955. These files, totaling 84 cubic feet, are located in Accession 64-A-73 at the Washington National Records Center. They are not designated for permanent retention by the Solicitor's Records Retention Plan No. NN-466-9.</p> <p>a. Boxes 1 - 6, containing files dating from 27 February 1936 - 30 December 1938, are to be returned to the Office of the Solicitor. There the files will be screened for certain records of an interpretive nature pertaining to the Davis-Bacon Act. These records will be incorporated into the Office's current files. The remainder will be destroyed.</p> <p>b. Boxes 7 -84, containing files dating from 3 January 1939 - 31 December 1955, are to be destroyed immediately.</p>	II-NNA-1730, item 3a	

*Copy to Agency 11/1/74
Copy to NARS and Mr. Jackson
JNW 4 Nov 74*

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JULY 1961 EDITION
GENERAL SERVICES ADMIN.
REG. 3-IV-302.00

**RECORDS TRANSMITTAL
AND RECEIPT**

TO BE COMPLETED AT FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER

ACCESSION NO. 64-A-73 ✓ RECORD GROUP NO. 174

INSTRUCTIONS
Send original and two copies to appropriate Federal Records Center.
EXCEPTION—Send original and three copies to the Alexandria, Virginia, Center

SIGNATURE Louis A. Tanguay DATE RECORDS RECEIVED 8/13/63

TITLE CHIEF, ACCESSION & DISPOSAL SECTION

FROM: (Name and address of Agency transferring records)

Department of Labor
Office of the Solicitor

10: Federal Records Center, GSA, Region 3
Alexandria, Virginia

1. CITE SECURITY CLASSIFICATION AND/OR RESTRICTION ON USE OF RECORDS, IF ANY

2. SQUARE FEET OF SPACE CLEARED		3. FILING EQUIPMENT EMPTIED			4. CUBIC FEET OF RECORDS TRANSFERRED
A. OFFICE <u>96</u>	B. STORAGE	A. FILE CABINETS (No.) <u>12</u>	B. TRANS. FILES (No.)	C. SHELVING (Lin. Ft.) <u>108</u>	

5. NAME OF AGENCY CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS <u>Office of Solicitor of Labor</u>	6. BUILDING AND ROOM NO. <u>Main -- 6333</u>	7. TELEPHONE NO. <u>Code 110-3116</u>
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8. MAY THE RECORDS BE DESTROYED AS SCHEDULED WITHOUT FURTHER AGENCY CONCURRENCE? YES NO

9. AGENCY OFFICIAL (Signature) <u>L. B. Kinest</u>	10. TITLE <u>Records Officer</u>	11. DATE
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12. BOX NUMBERS	13. DESCRIPTION OF RECORDS WITH INCLUSIVE DATES (Show organizational component creating records)	14. DISPOSAL AUTHORITY (Schedule and Item No.)
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Return to Agency

12. BOX NUMBERS	13. DESCRIPTION OF RECORDS WITH INCLUSIVE DATES (Show organizational component creating records)
	Office of the Solicitor Chronological or Reading Files General chronological file.
1	02/27 - 12/31/1936
2	01/04 - 5/30/1937
3	06/01 - 12/31/1937
4	01/03 - 5/30/1938
5	06/01 - 10/19/1938
6	10/20 - 12/30/1938
7	01/03 - 2/28/1939
8	03/01 - 4/29/1939
9	05/01 - 6/27/1939
10	06/28 - 8/31/1939
11	09/01 - 11/8/1939
12	11/10 - 12/30/1939
13	01/02 - 1/25/1940
14	01/26 - 2/20/1940
15	02/21 - 3/26/1940
16	03/27 - 4/30/1940
17	05/01 - 5/31/1940
18	06/01 - 7/8/1940
19	07/09 - 8/14/1940
20	08/15 - 9/30/1940
21	10/01 - 10/31/1940
22	11/01 - 11/30/1940
23	12/02 - 12/31/1940
24	01/02 - 1/31/1941
25	02/01 - 2/28/1941
26	03/01 - 3/31/1941
27	04/01 - 4/30/1941
28	05/01 - 5/31/1941
29	06/02 - 6/30/1941
30	07/01 - 7/31/1941

II NNA 1730
Item 3 a
Disposal Not Approved

FRANKLIN ST. BLDG. ALEX., VA.
TEL. NO. CSDE 1252, EXT. 331

LOCATION IN FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER
Building Franklin
Floor 1st Col. 12-18 Row 174

RECORD TRANSMITTAL
 AND RECEIPT
 (CONTINUATION)

AGENCY

DATE

BOX NUMBERS		DESCRIPTION OF RECORDS WITH INCLUSIVE DATES	DISPOSAL AUTHORITY
FRC ONLY	AGENCY		
31		08/01 - 9/6/ 1941	
32		09/13 - 10/31/1941	
33		11/01 - 12/31/1941	
34		01/01 - 3/31/ 1942	
35		04/01 - 6/31/ 1942	
36		07/01 - 8/31/ 1942	
37		09/01 - 10/31/1942	
38		11/01 - 12/31/1942	
39		01/01 - 3/30/ 1943	
40		04/01 - 6/30/ 1943	
41		07/01 - 9/30/ 1943	
42		10/01 - 12/30/1943	
43		01/01 - 3/31/ 1944	
44		04/01 - 5/31/ 1944	
45		06/01 - 9/18/ 1944	
46		09/19 - 12/30/1944	
47		01/01 - 3/23/ 1945	
48		03/24 - 6/10/ 1945	
49		06/11 - 9/29/ 1945	
50		10/01 - 12/29/1945	
51		01/01 - 4/30/ 1946	
52		05/01 - 8/30/ 1946	
53		09/01 - 12/31/1946	
54		01/02 - 6/20/ 1947	
55		06/23 - 12/31/1947	
56		01/02 - 6/30/ 1948	
57		07/01 - 12/31/1948	
58		01/03 - 4/29/ 1949	
59		05/02 - 7/29/ 1949	
60		08/01 - 12/30/1949	
61		01/03 - 3/31/ 1950	
62		04/03 - 6/30/ 1950	
63		07/03 - 10/11/1950	
64		10/12 - 12/29/1950	
65		01/02 - 3/26/ 1951	
66		03/27 - 6/7/ 1951	
67		06/08 - 9/17/ 1951	
68		09/18 - 12/29/1951	
69		01/02 - 3/20/ 1952	
70		03/21 - 5/29/ 1952	
71		06/02 - 8/29/ 1952	
72		09/02 - 12/31/1952	
73		01/02 - 3/31/ 1953	
74		04/01 - 6/30/ 1953	
75		07/01 - 9/25/ 1953	
76		09/28 - 12/31/1953	
77		01/04 - 3/24/ 1954	
78		03/25 - 6/9/ 1954	
79		06/10 - 9/15/ 1954	
80		09/16 - 12/31/1954	
81		01/03 - 3/18/ 1955	
82		03/21 - 6/13/ 1955	
83		06/14 - 9/22/ 1955	
84		09/23 - 12/31/1955	

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7. ITEM NO.	8. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM (WITH INCLUSIVE DATES OR RETENTION PERIODS)	9. SAMPLE OR JOB NO.	10. ACTION TAKEN
3.	<p>Chronological or Reading Files.</p> <p>a. General chronological file. RETAIN. Break files as of December 31, 1955, and every 10 years thereafter; transfer to Federal Records Center 5 years after files are broken.</p> <p>b. Others. Dispose when 2 years old.</p> <p>These are office-copy files of letters and memoranda prepared in the Office of the Solicitor and maintained for ready reference use. Except for some correspondence prepared for the Bureau of Employees' Compensation, available in the files of that bureau, the Central Files maintains a complete chronological file, which is retained for its documentary values. The other files are held for sufficient time to meet normal office reference needs.</p>		<p>DISPOSAL NOT APPROVED</p> <p>DISPOSAL APPROVED</p>
4.	<p>General Inquiry and Request Files. Dispose when 3 years old.</p> <p>These are files or segments of files of ^{routine} inquiries for information relating to the general application of laws administered by the Department of Labor and copies of replies thereto, including requests for copies of laws, opinions, and other processed materials, maintained on all organizational levels. They include all inquiries not requiring the preparation of a legal opinion or interpretation in some specific application of a statute or section thereof and which do not add substantially to the body of legal interpretations. These inquiries are received from public and private agencies, private individuals, business firms, labor organizations, and other interested parties and should not be confused with the interpretation files (Item 13). They are of transitory value and are kept for sufficient time to meet all normal reference needs.</p>		<p>DISPOSAL APPROVED</p>
5.	<p>Regional Attorneys' Instructions Files. ^{880 2-24-56} RETAIN (except items disposable under General Records Schedules).</p> <p>Instructions and notices to Regional Attorneys are maintained in various subject files, retained under provisions of Item 1 of this schedule, and as a segment of the "Administrative File," maintained in the Central Files. Notices of routine administrative character are disposable under the General Records Schedules. Instructions relating to program operations and procedures are retained as documentation of legal aspects of program development. These files include an older and separately</p>		<p>DISPOSAL NOT APPROVED</p>

2. Duplicate Correspondence and Memoranda Files. Dispose when 3 years old.

These are files or segments of files maintained for reference purposes on various organizational levels and containing duplicate copies of letters, memoranda, and reports for which retention or disposal is provided under Items 1, 13-15, 21, 24, and 28 of this schedule. They are held for sufficient time to meet all normal reference needs.

3. Chronological or Reading Files.

a. General chronological file. Dispose when 10 years old. *Retain now*

b. Others. Dispose when 2 years old.

These are office-copy files of letters and memoranda prepared in the Office of the Solicitor and maintained for ready reference use. Except for some correspondence prepared for the Bureau of Employees' Compensation, available in the files of that bureau, the Central Files maintains a complete chronological file, which is held for an extended period of time for reference use. The other files are held for sufficient time to meet normal office reference needs.

4. General Inquiry and Request Files. Dispose when 3 years old.

These are files or segments of files of inquiries for information relating to the general application of laws administered by the Department of Labor and copies of replies thereto, including requests for copies of laws, opinions, and other processed materials, maintained on all organizational levels. They include all inquiries not requiring the preparation of a legal opinion or interpretation in some specific application of a statute or section thereof and which do not add substantially to the body of legal interpretations. These inquiries are received from public and private agencies, private individuals, business firms, labor organizations, and other interested parties

of the agency in connection with their work. The present item relates to Labor Department cases under the Act. The retention period specified and the provision covering cases involved in litigation under item 14 safeguard the administrative, legal, and individual rights values inherent in the records. Although it is unlikely that there would be any interest on the part of legal academicians in small and routine claims cases such as these, such interest could be satisfied by use of the Solicitor's decisions in the cases. These take the form of letters to claimants and copies are retained under item 3a. In addition there are available the annual reports of the Secretary to Congress, required under the Act, giving summary information on all claims processed.

Items 26b and 26c. Very little disposal of the records of the Office of the Solicitor's Branch of Employees' Compensation is authorized under these sub-items. Cases involving appeal to the Employees' Compensation Appeals Board or judicial review, as well as case briefs, are being retained under item 26a; opinions and interpretations are being held under item 13; "third party" (see explanation of this term in the item 27 appraisal) case materials are filed at the Bureau of Employees' Compensation and hence not covered here; general correspondence and subject files are retained under item 1. The disposable remainder consists of the following principal categories: (1) Papers accumulated by the Branch in the process of reviewing, for legal sufficiency or for consistency with due process of law, regulations, procedures, forms, case actions, etc. of the BEC under its various workmen's compensation programs. For research purposes the details of Branch clearance are inconsequential; information on the substance of the instruments and transactions reviewed can be obtained from the files of the program bureau. (2) Cases, referred to the Branch en route to judicial review of Bureau administrative actions, in which settlement was achieved prior to such review. Although research interest in these cases is unlikely, their essential content is available in the basic claims case files of the Bureau (all of which are being retained there indefinitely to protect the rights of individual claimants and their heirs). Both disposable categories are held by the Branch long enough to safeguard administrative and litigational values.

Item 27. "Third party" cases under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act are those in which liability for injury to an employee rests on a third party rather than the United States. In such cases the Bureau of Employees' Compensation may require the employee to prosecute the liable party, designating or approving the attorney retained for the purpose. The present item covers the Solicitor's personnel files relating to such attorneys. They have a long-term administrative value in connection with "third party" litigation, but no conceivable research value. Occasionally materials pertaining to the cases themselves appear in the series, but these are duplicated in the main "third party" case files at BEC.

Disapproved:

Items 1, 3a, 5, 6a, 8, 10a, 13, 14a, 14b, 15a, 16a, 17a, 17b, 18a, 19a, 19b, 20, 21, 24, 26a, 28, 29, and 30. It is not proposed to dispose of these records.

Appraised by: Morris Rieger 2-29-56
Morris Rieger Date

Approved for the Archivist: Paul Lewinson 3-2-58
Paul Lewinson Date
Chief Archivist
Industrial Records Branch

NN-466-9

RECORDS RETENTION PLAN

for the

OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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July 8, 1966

General Services Administration
National Archives and Records Service
Office of Federal Records Centers
Records Appraisal Division

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(c) Agenda and minutes of staff meetings. In the absence of these materials, all notes concerning the meetings will be retained.

(d) Records showing official staff participation in internal and external committees and task forces, including agenda, minutes of meetings and other significant records. If the record copies of minute documents are filed elsewhere, they may be substituted for the Solicitor's set.

(e) Records documenting the membership and deliberations of industry committees appointed for Puerto Rico and United States Territories.

(f) "General correspondence" with national employer and employee organizations (chiefly the United States Chamber of Commerce, national trade associations; and national unions) that is filed under the name of the organization rather than included in individual case files. General, significant correspondence with legal associations will also be retained.

(g) The Solicitor's reading file. (The general reading file for the entire office of the Solicitor is not designated for permanent retention).

(h) Instructions to regional attorneys, including "Legal Field Letters".

(i) Progress reports and other narrative reports submitted to the Solicitor. If these reports are submitted more frequently than twice each year, retain only the last reports for each fiscal and calendar year.

(j) All guides, manuals and other instructional publications prepared by the Office.

(k) Managerial studies (audits, inspections, evaluations, and the like). Records showing the origin, scope, and results of the studies should also be retained.

(l) Basic standards developed by the Office for the recruitment and performance of the legal staff.

(m) Materials prepared for orientation lectures.

(n) Position descriptions, grade GS-14 and above, for positions that are not fully described in functional statements.

(o) A record set of forms-current and obsolete-developed by the Office of the Solicitor.

(p) A record set of significant stereotypes developed for legal proceedings, contracts, and other standard documents.

(q) Inventory sheets and reports concerning records surveys.