

REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY		JOB NUMBER <i>71-048-05-1</i>	
TO: NATIONAL ARCHIVES & RECORDS ADMINISTRATION 8601 ADELPHI ROAD COLLEGE PARK, MD 20740-6001		Date Received <i>12/28/2004</i>	
FROM: (Agency or establishment) Department of the Interior		NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY	
2. MAJOR SUBDIVISION Office of the Secretary		In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C., 3303a, the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not approved or "withdrawn" in column 10.	
3. MINOR SUBDIVISION			
4. NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER Pamala R. Quallich	4. TELEPHONE NUMBER 202-208-3909	DATE <i>6/30/04</i>	ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES <i>Alle Weinstein</i>
5. AGENCY INFORMATION I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached <u>2</u> page(s) are not needed now for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified; and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required <input type="checkbox"/> is attached; or <input type="checkbox"/> has been requested.			
DATE <i>Dec 16, 2004</i>	SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE <i>Pamala R Quallich</i>		TITLE
7. ITEM NO.	8. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION	9. GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10. ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)
	See Attached List of Record Descriptions and Requested Disposition Authorities.		

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SF 115 Supplementary Cover Sheet

Summary:

This action establishes a new Office of the Secretary series entitled: "Hudson Dogtrack" (Special Prosecutor) Files."

Reason for submission:

- (1) This action provides for the disposition of approximately 630,000 pages of documents collected by bureaus and offices throughout the Department that were provided in 1998 to a Special Prosecutor tasked to investigate charges of corruption and perjury against Secretary of Interior Bruce Babbitt.
- (2) This action also incorporates the series into the numbering pattern of the Office of the Secretary's new records schedule. See attachment.

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4050. "Hudson Dogtrack" (Special Prosecutor) Files. These files consist of Department of the Interior documents provided to Independent Counsel (Special Prosecutor) Carol Elder Bruce, who was tasked to investigate charges of corruption and perjury against Secretary of Interior Bruce Babbitt, in connection with a decision by the Department in 1995 to reject a request by three Indian tribes and a dog track owner to take land in Hudson, Wisconsin, into trust for the tribes in order to operate a casino on the site of an existing dog track. The investigation stemmed from allegations that Secretary Babbitt rejected the tribes' request in exchange for campaign contributions, and that he lied to Congress about his role in the matter. The investigation into these charges was begun in February of 1998 and concluded in August of 2000, with a finding that there was insufficient evidence to initiate a prosecution of any parties involved in the controversy. The investigation involved interviews or grand jury testimony of more than 450 people and 630,000 pages of documents.

4050.a "Hudson Dogtrack" Digital Images. Digital images of paper documents (covered by item 4050.b) collected from bureaus and offices throughout the Department.

Disposition: TEMPORARY. Destroy or delete 10 years after the end of the investigation.

4050.b1 "Hudson Dogtrack" Paper Records. Includes original documents collected by the Department and provided to the Special Prosecutor, which have been returned to the originating bureaus and offices to await disposition.

Note: Bureaus and offices will follow Bureau/office-specific disposition instructions in accordance with Bureau/office-specific records schedules.

4050.b2 "Hudson Dogtrack" Copies of Paper Records. Copies of item 4050.b1 were made to facilitate the scanning of these documents (item 4050.a).

Disposition: TEMPORARY. Transfer to Federal Records Center immediately upon approval of this schedule. Destroy 10 years after the end of the investigation.

4050.c "Hudson Dogtrack" Digital Images Electronic Index. Electronic index to digital images (item 4050.a) of paper documents (item 4050.b1).

Disposition: TEMPORARY. Destroy or delete 10 years after the end of the investigation.

4050.d Electronic Mail and Word Processing System Copies. Electronic copies of records that are created on electronic mail and word processing systems and used solely to generate a recordkeeping copy of the records covered by this schedule, and electronic copies of records created on electronic mail and word processing systems that are maintained for updating, revision, or dissemination.

Disposition: TEMPORARY. Destroy or delete within 180 days after the recordkeeping copy has been produced, or when dissemination, revision or updating is completed, as appropriate.