

# Nancy D. Hawk Papers, 1966-2008 SCHS# 630.00

**Description:** 2 linear ft. (5 boxes)

**Biographical/Historical Note:** Nancy Dinwiddie Hawk (1922-2008), was a Charleston lawyer, preservationist, civic leader, and patron of the arts. Born Nancy Shepherd Dinwiddie in Charlottesville, Virginia, she married John Chrisman Hawk (1918-1999) in 1941. In 1951, they moved to Charleston, where Dr. John Hawk took a position with the Medical University of South Carolina. Nancy Hawk was involved in many conservation and historic preservation endeavors and was active in First Scots Presbyterian Church, where she founded a school that would become Mason Preparatory School. She was also active in politics, running for mayor in 1975, and she served as the national president of American Mothers, Inc., from 1997 to 1999.

Scope and content: Collection chiefly consists of material reflecting Nancy Hawk's involvement in numerous committees and organizations including American Mothers, Inc., the Woman's Auxiliary to the South Carolina Medical Association, the Charleston Area Transportation Study Policy Committee, Friends of Historic Snee Farm, Citizens for Good Government, Save Charleston Foundation, First Scots Presbyterian Church, Friends of the Charleston County Courthouse, the Downtown Council Steering Committee, the Citizens Land Use Advisory Committee, the Council on Urban Quality, the South Carolina Coastal Conservation League, and the Lowcountry Open Land Trust. Some of the Woman's Auxiliary papers relate to child abuse and neglect issues, and the American Mothers, Inc., papers include a a scrapbook, 1999, containing correspondence and other tributes to Mrs. Hawk. The Save Charleston Foundation papers include correspondence, minutes, and other material relating to efforts to stop high rise developments in downtown Charleston, and there are also clippings, correspondence, and other papers pertaining to opposition to a proposed hotel and convention center in Charleston. Her papers also include reports and other papers relating to offshore drilling in South Carolina.

**Note:** Photographs have been removed to the visual materials collection.

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#### **Search terms:**

Hawk, Nancy D American Mothers, Inc Charleston Area Transportation Study Policy Committee

Charleston Place (S.C.)

First Presbyterian Church (Charleston, S.C.)

Friends of Historic Snee Farm, Inc

Friends of the Charleston County Courthouse

Save Charleston Foundation

South Carolina Coastal Conservation League

Young Women's Christian Association (Charleston, S.C.)

Abused children -- Services for -- South Carolina

Convention facilities -- South Carolina -- Charleston

Courthouses -- South Carolina -- Charleston

Historic buildings -- Conservation and restoration -- South Carolina -- Charleston

Historic preservation -- South Carolina -- Charleston

Mothers -- Awards

Offshore gas well drilling -- South Carolina

Women civic leaders -- South Carolina -- Charleston

Women politicians -- South Carolina

Charles Pinckney National Historic Site (Mount Pleasant, S.C.)

Snee Farm Plantation (S.C.)

## **Container listing:**

#### BOX 1

- 1 Miscellaneous personal correspondence, 1971-2008.
- 2 Papers relating to Nancy Hawk's award for Mother of the Year, 1989.
- 3 Scrapbook, 1999: "A Tribute to Nancy D. Hawk" by American Mothers, Inc., part one.
- 4 Scrapbook, 1999, part two.
- 5 Scrapbook, 1999, part three.
- 6 American Mothers, Inc. papers, 1997.
- Papers relating to awards and honors, 1971-2001.
- 8 Miscellaneous personal and family papers.
- 9 Political papers, 1989-2005.
- 10 Papers relating to the *Old Codgers' Charleston Address Book*, 1999-2000.
- 11 Carolina Assembly papers, 1969-1995.
- 12 Spoleto Festival papers, 2001-2003.
- Obituaries and other papers relating to the death of Nancy Hawk, 2008.
- Woman's Auxiliary to the South Carolina Medical Association papers, 1973-1999.

- Woman's Auxiliary to the South Carolina Medical Association papers relating to child abuse and neglect, 1974.
- Multidisciplinary Committee on Child Abuse and Neglect papers, 1974-1977.
- 17 Charleston Area Transportation Study (CHATS) report, 1968.
- 18 CHATS report, 1968.
- 19 CHATS report and maps, 1974.
- 20 CHATS papers, 1974.

## BOX 2

- 1 CHATS papers, 1975.
- 2 CHATS papers, 1976.
- Papers relating to a proposed James Island bridge, 1969-1971.
- 4 Friends of Historic Snee Farm papers, 1988-2004.
- 5 Snee Farm historical data.
- 6 Snee Farm historical data: McCrady plats.
- 7 Snee Farm historical data.
- 8 Citizens for Good Government papers, 1974-1975.
- 9 Council on Urban Quality papers, 1973-1975.
- 10 Council on Urban Quality papers, 1974.
- First Scots Presbyterian Church Board of Deacons papers, 1973-1975.

## BOX 3

- First Scots Presbyterian Church sanctuary preservation papers, 2003-2007.
- 2 Charleston Presbytery papers, 1972-1974.
- 3 Downtown Council Steering Committee papers, 1972-1974.
- 4 Downtown Council Steering Committee papers, 1975.
- 5 Save Charleston Foundation papers, 1973.
- 6 Save Charleston Foundation papers, 1974-1975.
- 7 Save Charleston Foundation papers, 1981-1998.

- 8 Historic preservation writings by Nancy Hawk.
- 9 Friends of the Charleston County Courthouse papers, 1989-1991.
- Friends of the Charleston County Courthouse papers, 1993-1994.
- 11 Friends of the Charleston County Courthouse papers, 1995.

## BOX 4

- Friends of the Charleston County Courthouse papers, 1995, including a restoration and furnishings plan.
- 2 Friends of the Charleston County Courthouse papers, 1995.
- Friends of the Charleston County Courthouse papers, 1996.
- 4 Friends of the Charleston County Courthouse papers, 1997.
- 5 South Carolina Bar Association Judicial Center Committee papers, 1994-1995.
- 6 Citizens Land Use Advisory Committee papers, 1973-1975.
- 7 Seminar on Offshore Oil at the Citadel, 1975.
- 8 Legislative report on oil and gas, 1976.
- 9 Papers relating to offshore drilling, 1976.
- 10 Offshore drilling report, 1976.

## BOX 5

- 1 Clippings relating to opposition to a proposed hotel and conference or convention center in Charleston, 1979.
- 2 Papers relating to a proposed hotel and convention center, 1978-1980.
- Papers relating to a proposed hotel and convention center, 1981.
- 4 South Carolina Policy Council papers, 2001-2005.
- 5 South Carolina Coastal Conservation League papers, 1994-1999.
- 6 Lowcountry Open Land Trust papers, 1999-2002.
- Scrapbook, 1966-1969. Photocopy of a scrapbook documenting Nancy Hawk's tenure as president of the Board of Directors of the YWCA and the organization's activities in Charleston.
- 8 Ephemera removed from YWCA scrapbook.