## Morehead State University Special Collections & Archives Archives Accession Form

**Department or Office:** Office of the President

Collection Title: Adron Doran Photograph Collection

**Record Group Number:** RG019-15-09

**Date transferred:** No transfer date listed.

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Date Listed: March 17, 2015

**Date Span:** 1920s-2000s

**Size of Collection:** 19 linear feet.

Number of Boxes: 15 letter size document cases, 3 letter half size document cases and 2

oversize boxes.

**Type of Material:** Photographs, slides and negatives

**Condition of Material:** Good.

**Arrangement:** Organized by format and alphabetically by subject; Chronological arrangement.

Historical Information: Adron Doran was the seventh president of Morehead State University from 1954 to 1976. He was born at Boydsville, Kentucky on September 1, 1901. Doran graduated from Cuba High School in Graves County, Kentucky in 1928. He was a student at Freed-Hardeman College in Henderson, Tennessee from 1928 to 1930 and later earned a Bachelors' degree in 1932 and Masters' degree in 1948 from Murray State University. He received his Doctorate in Education from the University of Kentucky in 1950. For fifteen years prior to becoming president of Morehead State, Doran was a high school teacher, principal, and basketball coach. He served two and one-half years as Director of Teacher Education and Certification in the Kentucky State Department of Education. Doran served four terms in the Kentucky House of Representatives (1943-1951) and was Speaker of that House in 1950 and 1951. He also served as president of the Board of Directors of the Kentucky Education Association and as a member of the Legislative Commission of the National Education Association and Southern Regional Education Board of Directors. In 1971 he received the Horatio Alger Award from the Association of American Schools and Colleges. Adron Doran

died November 23, 2001 at the age of 92 and buried at Highland Park Cemetery in Mayfield, Kentucky.

**Scope and Content:** Collection consists of photographic prints, slides and negatives created or acquired by Mignon and Adron Doran of Morehead State University from the early 1920s to early 2000s. The bulk of the images are from the 1960s and 1970s when Adron Doran served as president of the college. Included in the collection are images of prominent State and national politicians, celebrities, family members and early class photographs from public schools Dr. Doran administered in Graves County, Kentucky.

## **Subject Headings / Descriptors:**

Doran, Adron, 1901-2001.
Doran family.
McClain family.
Morehead State University – History.
Morehead State University – Presidents.
Morehead State University – Photographs.
Morehead (Ky.)
Graves County (Ky.)

**Notes:** The vast majority of the photographs and negatives were not identified and thus a system of organization by subject titles was imposed upon the collection. The collection is broken down into the following series: I. Focus on Adron Doran; II. Focus on Mignon Doran; III. Focus on Adron and Mignon Doran; IV. Prominent People; V. Early Family Photographs; VI. Miscellaneous; VII. Slides; VIII. Negatives; IX. Oversized.