Series Number: S00409

Series Title: Ad Hoc Committee of Canadian Women on the Constitution files

Dates: 1980-2006

Extent: 1.33 m of textual records

83 photographs: b&w and col.; 25 x 32 cm or smaller 174 photographs : col. jpeg ; 122 mb (on CD-R)

1 DVD-R; 4.2 GB, 122 min.

1 videocassette

1 computer disk; 9 x 9 cm

Scope and Content: Series consists of records created and accumulated by Marilou McPhedran pertaining to the activities of the Ad Hoc Committee of Canadian Women on the Constitution, a national non-profit organization of Canadian women's groups and individuals formed in January 1981 to ensure equality rights for women were included in the new Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Records in this series document McPhedran's involvement as co-founder, organizer and participant with the committee and its activities, including the National Workshop on the Charter in 1981; Conference of Canadian Women and the Constitution in 1982; Critical Perspectives on the Constitution in 1983; and the National Symposium on Equality Rights in 1985. Also documented in this series is the committee's re-emergence in the late 1980s and early 1990s to challenge constitutional amendments proposed in the Meech Lake and Charlottetown Accords, and to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Ad Hoc Committee in 2006, commemorated with a conference, the Canadian Forum on Women's Activism. Files include reports, journal articles, newspaper clippings, notes, pamphlets, government publications, legal documents, transcripts, affidavits, grant applications, photographs, financial statements, memoranda, correspondence, day planners, and assorted ephemera.

Restrictions on Access and No restrictions on access.

Use:

Arrangement: Series is arranged in alphabetical order.

Language of Material Note: Some items in this series are written in French.