# George E. Agree Papers

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### Collection Summary

Title: George E. Agree Papers Span Dates: 1961-2001

ID No.: MSS85335

Creator: Agree, George E.

Extent: 1,000 items; 2 containers; .8 linear feet Language: Collection material in English

Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Abstract: Author and political scientist. Correspondence, minutes, press material, reports, and writings relating to Agree's work as president of the American Political Foundation, executive director of the National Committee for an Effective Congress, and involvement in other political

groups.

### Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Personal Names Agree, George E.

Organizations

American Political Foundation.

National Committee for an Effective Congress.

National Endowment for Democracy (U.S.)

United States. Congress.

**Subjects** 

Campaign funds--United States.

Democracy.

Political science--United States.

World politics--20th century.

Locations

United States--Politics and government--20th century.

Occupations

Authors.

Political scientists.

### Administrative Information

#### Provenance:

The papers of George E. Agree, author and political scientist, were given to the Library of Congress by his wife, Lee Agree, in 2006.

Copyright Status:

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of George E. Agree is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

#### Access and Restrictions:

The papers of George E. Agree are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

#### Preferred Citation:

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, George E. Agree Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

### Biographical Note

| Date<br>1921, June 25 | Event<br>Born, New York, N.Y.  |
|-----------------------|--|
| 1942                  | B.A., University of California, Los Angeles, Calif.  |
| 1942-1945             | Sergeant, U. S. Army Air Corps weather service   |
| 1946-1947             | Lobbyist, American League for a Free Palestine   |
| 1952-1966             | Director, National Committee for an Effective Congress   |
| 1963-1964             | Director, Republican Legislative Research Association  |
| 1966-1967             | Associate, Stephen R. Currier  |
| 1967-2001             | Director, Committee for the Democratic Process   |
| 1968-1974             | Director and fund-raiser, Campaign Funds (1968, 1970, 1972, 1974)  |
| 1971-1974             | Director, Twentieth Century Fund Study of Political Finance  |
| 1975                  | Published with David W. Adamany <i>Political Money; A Strategy for Campaign Financing in America</i> . Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press |
| 1976-1979             | Consultant, campaign finance reforms   |
| 1980-1984             | President, American Political Foundation   |
| 1985-1988             | Director, foreign programs, Former Members of Congress   |
| 1989-2001             | Executive director, Institute for Representative Government  |
| 2001, Dec. 11         | Died, Washington, D.C.   |

### Scope and Content Note

The papers of George E. Agree (1921-2001) span the years 1961-2001 and consist of congressional testimony, correspondence, minutes, press material, reports, and writings pertaining to Agree's career as a political scientist. The collection documents Agree's involvement in the American

Political Foundation, the National Committee for an Effective Congress, and the National Endowment for Democracy. Additional material covers Agree's work on election campaign finance reform, including several articles he authored on the subject. Miscellaneous material includes biographical information, proposals, and writings.

## Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by topic.

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| BOX 1     | Minutes, 1979-1983  |
| BOX 1     | Press, 1979-1984, undated   |
|           | (2 folders)   |
| BOX 1     | Reports and proposals, 1977-1983, undated                               |
| BOX 1     | Travel itineraries, 1979-1980, undated                                  |
| BOX 1     | Campaign finance reform   |
| BOX 1     | American Bar Association symposium, Tiburon, Calif., 1974-1975, undated |
|           | (2 folders)   |
| BOX 2     | Articles by Agree, 1974-1983, undated                                   |
| BOX 2     | Press, 1977   |
| BOX 2     | Senate Committee on Finance hearings, 1967-1977                         |
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