

Library of Congress Copyright Office Mask Work Deposits

A Finding Aid to the Collection in the Library of Congress

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Collection Summary

Title: Library of Congress Copyright Office Mask Work Deposits

Span Dates: 1985-1997

ID No.: MSS85470

Creator: Library of Congress. Copyright Office

Extent: 8,000 items ; 16 record center cartons ; 19.2 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

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

Abstract: A representative sampling of mask works (schematic plans or layouts of an integrated circuit or computer chip) deposited with the Library of Congress Copyright Office.

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.

Organizations

Library of Congress. Copyright Office.

Subjects

Integrated circuit layout.

Integrated circuits--Design and construction.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The Library of Congress Copyright Office Mask Work Deposits were transferred from the Library of Congress Copyright Office in 2009.

Copyright Status

Copyright in the Library of Congress Copyright Office Mask Work Deposits in the custody of the Library of Congress is reserved. Consult a reference librarian in the Manuscript Division for further information.

Access and Restrictions

Restrictions apply governing the use, photoduplication, or publication of items in this collection. Consult reference staff in the Manuscript Division for information concerning these restrictions. In addition, 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, Library of Congress Copyright Office Mask Work Deposits, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The Library of Congress Copyright Office Mask Work deposits span the years 1985-1997. The collection consists of a representative sampling of mask works (schematic plans or layouts of an integrated circuit or computer chip) deposited with the Library of Congress Copyright Office. Per the Semiconductor Chip Protection Act of 1984, mask works are deposited with the Copyright Office by their manufacturers. The Copyright Office is obligated to retain the designs thirteen years after registration. Because Copyright Records Management was ready to dispose of the mask works it was no longer obligated to keep, the Manuscript Division decided to retain them by transfer. The Manuscript Division retained a representative sampling (every twentieth deposit) rather than accept the entire transfer.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged by registration number. The registration numbers reflect the range of numbers within each container, from the first item registered in the container to the last.

Container List

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