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The Vigil in South Dakota Records

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Abstract

The Vigil in South Dakota was founded as a nonprofit organization in 1992 by Mary Perpich and Norman Gambill. The collection mainly includes the organization's involvement with the issue of censorship of "The Portrait of a Marriage" by Educational Telecommunication and responses to the debate over censorship in South Dakota.

Historical Note

The Vigil in South Dakota was a nonprofit organization founded by Mary Perpich and Norman Gambill in 1992. The organization focused on First Amendment advocacy in South Dakota. They took special interest in the controversial debate over the censorship of South Dakota Public

Broadcasting's program "The Portrait of a Marriage." They brought attention to other issues related to First Amendment rights like an offensive painting in the South Dakota Governor's office. The organization dissolved in 2005.

Contents Note

This collection includes the organization's mission and goals statements and views on censorship. Information about Educational Telecommunication including mission, goals, policies, and board minutes. Correspondence, newspaper articles, and other organizations responses to potential censorship issues in South Dakota especially within Public Broadcasting.

Subject Headings

- Perpich, Mary
- Pressure groups
- Freedom of speech

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1	4	Mission and Goals, Handbook	1992
1	5	Vigil's Views and Information	1992
1	6	Responses and Articles on Censorship of South Dakota Public Broadcasting and the Arts	1992 - 2001
1	7	Only by Recognizing Our Mistakes Can We Learn	1994
1	8	People for the American Way, Friends of Public Broadcasting, Arts Dialogue, Sioux Empire Gay/Lesbian Coalition	1994
1	9	Nonprofit Report, Articles of Incorporation and Dissolution	1994 - 2005