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TITLE: Patricia Gillin Courtroom Sketches

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2018.019

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: 1994-2009 (bulk 2007)

Extent: 1 box; 2 linear feet

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Patricia Gillin

Administrative/Biographical History:

Patrician Gillin was a courtroom sketch artist in Anchorage during the period 1995-2005. She produced sketches for television news stations KTUU and KTVA. She described her work as follows:

Here is a bit of background how court room sketching works. Cameras are not allowed in federal courts. One tries to get a seat with a view of sorts. In very large trials a vantage point is made available. Not so for the local ones. The focal point is the judge because you see him/her facing the attendees. Otherwise the lawyers' backs are mostly what you see and you hope for a longer glimpse when they are gesturing or making a point. Only then is it possible to draw them and you had to be quick. I would draw with a mechanical pencil (no noise from a sharpener) and scurry to lay down watercolors, in various locations, mostly in the parking garage of the museum, outside in the back of my car or at the TV station. Once finished they were digitally readied for the 5pm news. But photos were sometimes taken in hallways at the court house. Once under a tree in front of the courthouse while raining.

Scope and Content Description:

The collection consists of 64 mostly watercolor illustrations depicting scenes from federal court cases conducted in Anchorage. For more information, see Detailed Description of Collection.

Arrangement: Arranged by subject.

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

Restrictions on Access: The collection is open for research use.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information Donated by Gillin in October 2018.

Processing Note

Loose sketches of trials resulting from the VECO scandal placed after sketches labeled as Kohring and Kott trials.

Separated Materials

Paperwork and television stills pertaining to the Vic Kohring and Pete Kott trials removed to accession file.

SUBJECTS

Hazelwood, Joseph Jeffrey, 1946-Wade, Joshua Alan Boehm, Josef F., 1944-2014 Allen, Bill (William J.), 1937-Kott, Peter, 1949-Kohring, Victor H., 1958-United States. District Court (Alaska) VECO Corporation—Corrupt practices Courtroom art – Alaska – Anchorage Trials—Alaska

Detailed Description of the Collection

- .1 Exxon trial, Hazelwood, May 11, #30 [Joseph Hazelwood seated]
- .2 Levy, Wade, Elliott, U.S. Atty [Joshua Alan Wade seated with attorneys Gilbert Levy and Suzanne Lee Elliott, Judge Ralph Beistline at bench, no date]
- .3-11 [on wrapper:] Josef Boehm sentencing, May 2005, US Fed Court, Anc, AK, for Channel 11 KTVA, former owner AI[H]
 - .3 Josef Boehm reading statement to Judge Sedwick, May 2005, 10 min. sketch [addressing court]
 - .4 [Josef Boehm seated]
 - .5 Rex Butler, Weidner, Josef Boehm sentencing, Apr-May 2005 [attorneys Rex Butler and Phillip Weidner addressing court]
 - .6 Boehm, Weidner, Judge Sedwick, Day 2, 4/30/05 [Josef Boehm seated, attorney Phillip Weidner addressing court, Judge John Sedwick at bench]
 - .7 Boehm's daughter, statement in his defense, Apr-May 2005 [woman addressing court]
 - .8 Bambi Tyree, Josef Boehm sentencing, Apr. May '05 [woman on witness stand]
 - .9 [Bambi Tyree on witness stand]
 - .10 Josef Boehm sentencing, mother of 2 daughters involved w/ Boehm, Apr. May 2005 [woman on witness stand. Pencil sketch on verso]
 - .11 Josef Boehm sentencing, parents of teenagers caught up w/ Boehm [two women and one man addressing court]
- .12-29 [on wrapper:] Vic Kohring trial, 10/22/07 to 10/31/07
 - .12 [Bill Allen on witness stand. Pencil sketch on verso]
 - .13 [Bill Allen on witness stand]
 - .14 [print from original sketch; attorney John Henry Browne questioning Bill Allen on witness stand, Judge John Sedwick at bench]
 - .15 Kohring trial, closing, US Atty Bottini, 10/31/07 [U.S. Attorney Joseph Bottini addressing court]
 - .16 US Atty Bottini, Sedwick, Allen, 10/26/07 [U.S. Attorney Joseph Bottini questioning Bill Allen on witness stand, Judge John Sedwick at bench, jury in box]
 - .17 Kohring trial, Edward Sullivan U.S. Attorney, Rick Smith, 10/25/07 [Sullivan questioning Smith on witness stand, jury in box. Pencil sketch on verso]
 - .18 Vic Kohring trial, 10-25-07, Edward Sullivan U.S. Attorney, Rick Smith [print from original sketch .17; Sullivan questioning Smith on witness stand, jury in box]
 - .19 Bobrick sentencing, Bobrick, Doug Pope, Bottini, Kepner, Nov. 27, 2007 [lobbyist William Bobrick and attorney Douglas Pope seated left, U.S. attorney Joseph Bottini and FBI agent Mary Beth Kepner seated right, Judge John Sedwick at bench]
 - .20 Bobrick, 11-27-07 [lobbyist William Bobrick addressing court, Judge John Sedwick at bench]

- .21 Browne, closing, 10/31/07 [attorney John Henry Browne addressing court, Judge John Sedwick at bench, jury in box]
- .22 Kohring, Browne, Sullivan, 10/31/07 [Vic Kohring and attorney John Henry Browne seated left, U.S. attorney Edward Sullivan addressing court, unidentified man seated right, Judge John Sedwick at bench with image projected behind, jury in box]
- .23 Bottini, Sullivan, SA Mary Beth Kepner, 10/24/07 [U.S. attorney Edward Sullivan and FBI agent Kepner seated, U.S. attorney Joseph Bottini addressing court, Judge John Sedwick at bench]
- .24 Kohring, Browne, Ms. Woodward FBI phone monitoring, 10/24/07 [Vic Kohring seated, attorney John Henry Browne questioning witness Kelley Woodward on stand, Judge John Sedwick at bench]
- .25 Jury consultant, 10/22/07, Vic Kohring trial [seated man, possibly Alan Cohen]
- .26 10/29/07 jury [jurors in box]
- .27 Kohring jury, 10/26/07 [jurors in box]
- .28 [pencil sketch; unidentified man, Vic Kohring?]
- .29 Victor (Vic) Kohring trial w. defense atty John Henry Browne, 10-22-07, opening day [Kohring and Browne seated]
- .30-54 [on wrapper:] Pete Kott trial, 9 & 10 2007 [VECO corruption scandal]
 - .30 Pete Kott, 9-19-07 [on witness stand]
 - .31 Pete Kott, clerk of court reading verdict, 9-25-07
 - .32 Wendt, 9/20/07 [attorney Jim Wendt questioning witness on stand, prosecution team seated, judge at bench, members of audience in foreground]
 - .33 Goeke, Deborah Stovern [U.S. attorney James Goeke questioning Debora Stovern on stand]
 - .34 Wendt, Kott, Dittman, 9/17/07 [Pete Kott and attorney Jim Wendt seated, unidentified female attorney questioning David Dittman on stand]
 - .35 Peter Kott, Jr., 9-18-07 [witness on stand]
 - .36 Dr. (Mr.?) Cline Thoma, 9/18/07 [witness on stand]
 - .37 US Atty Marsh, Richard Smith, 9/14/07 [Nicholas Marsh questioning Rick Smith on stand]
 - .38 FBI Agent Milne, 9-17-07 [Bruce Milne on stand]
 - .39 Bill Allen, 9/12/07 [Allen on stand]
 - .40 Kott, Wendt, Bill Allen, 9/13/07 [Pete Kott seated next to unidentified woman, attorney Jim Wendt questioning Bill Allen on stand]
 - .41 Judge Sedwick [John Sedwick at bench]
 - .42 9/14/07 [Judge John Sedwick at bench. Pencil and ink sketch on verso]
 - .43 Pete Kott jury, 9/24/07, closing arguments, US Atty Goeke [James Goeke addressing jurors]
 - .44 Goeke [U.S. attorney James Goeke questioning witness on stand, judge at bench, other prosecution attorneys seated]
 - .45 Kott trial, closing arguments, US Atty Marsh, 9/24/07 [Nicholas Marsh addressing court]
 - .46 Kott defense, Wendt, closing arguments, 9/24 [attorney Jim Wendt addressing court]

- .47 Marsh, 9/10/07 [U.S. attorney Nicholas Marsh addressing court]
- .48 Pete Kott trial, 9/05/07 [unidentified man seated, Jim Wendt?]
- .49 US Atty Goeke, Pete Kott, 9-20-07 [James Goeke questioning Kott on stand]
- .50 Wendt, Marsh, Goeke, Wepner, 9/10/07 [attorney Jim Wendt addressing court,
- U.S. attorneys Nicholas Marsh and James Goeke with FBI agent Mary Beth Kepner seated]
- .51 Kott, Wendt, Goeke, 9/10/07 [Pete Kott and attorney Jim Wendt seated, U.S. attorney James Goeke addressing court]
- .52 Kott, ?, Wendt, 9/05/07 [Pete Kott, unidentified woman, and attorney Jim Wendt seated]
- .53 Doug Pope, 9/05/07 [attorney Douglas Pope addressing court, judge at bench]
- .54 Pete Kott jury, 9/24/07, do not use til after verdict [jurors in box]
- .55 Bill Allen [addressing court, VECO corruption scandal, no date]
- .56 Bill Allen, Robert Bundy, George Terwilliger, Judge Sedwick, USA James Trusty, Kevin Gingras, Peter Koski [John Sedwick at bench, Allen and Terwilliger seated, Bundy addressing court; VECO corruption scandal, 2009]
- .57 Keenan, Rick Smith [Rick Smith and attorney Michael Keenan seated; VECO corruption scandal, 2009]
- .58 US atty Day [U.S. attorney Kendall Day addressing court; VECO corruption scandal, 2009?]
- .59 Trusty [judge at bench, U.S. attorney James M. Trusty addressing court, two men seated; VECO corruption scandal, 2009?]
- .60 July 11, '08, Kevin Fitzgerald, John Cowdery, U.S. Marsh, Sullivan, Bottini, Goeke [pencil sketch; Sen. John Cowdery and attorney Kevin Fitzgerald seated; VECO corruption scandal]
- .61 Pete Kott bail hearing, 6/17/09 [judge at bench, client and attorney Jim Wendt seated right, prosecutors and others seated left]
- .62 Vic Kohring, John Browne, bail hearing, 6/17/09 [client and attorney seated; VECO corruption scandal]
- .63 Masek sentencing, 9-24-09, Judge Beistline, US Fed Court, Anchorage, AK [Ralph Beistline at bench, Dr. Aaron Wolf on stand, Attorney Davis addressing court, Public Defender Rich Curtner and Rep. Beverly Masek seated; VECO corruption scandal]
- .64 May 26 [jury in jury box, unidentified trial. Two sketches joined together]

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