

**Jim Bouton Papers**  
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## Collection Summary

**Title:** Jim Bouton Papers

**Span Dates:** 1939-2019

**Bulk Dates:** 1958-2008

**ID No.:** MSS86270

**Creator:** Bouton, Jim

**Extent:** 37,000 items

**Extent:** 104 containers plus 38 oversize

**Extent:** 46 linear feet

**Extent:** 5,098 digital files (73.36 GB)

**Language:** Collection material in English, with Spanish.

**Location:** Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

**LC Catalog record:** <https://lccn.loc.gov/mm2018086270>

**Summary:** Athlete, writer, sportscaster, and businessman. Correspondence, writings, scrapbooks, photographs, clippings, memorabilia, biographical materials, videos, and other paper and digital files relating primarily to Bouton's book *Ball Four* and his career as a pitcher in Major League Baseball.

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

### People

Asinof, Eliot, 1919-2008. Strike zone. 1994.

Bouton family.

Bouton, Jim--Art.

Bouton, Jim.

Bouton, Jim. Ball four : the final pitch. 2000.

Bouton, Jim. Ball four : the final pitch. 2014.

Bouton, Jim. Ball four plus ball five. 1981.

Bouton, Jim. Ball four. 1990.

Bouton, Jim. Ball four; my life and hard times throwing the knuckleball in the Big Leagues. 1970.

Bouton, Jim. Foul ball : my life and hard times trying to save one of America's oldest ballparks. 2003.

Bouton, Jim. I'm glad you didn't take it personally. 1971.

Bouton, Jim. Strike zone. 1994.

Bouton, Laurie, 1966-1997.

Kurman, Paula, 1938- --Correspondence.

Mantle, Mickey, 1931-1995.

Shecter, Leonard

### Organizations

American Committee on Africa.

Atlanta Braves (Baseball team)

Jim Bouton Corporation.

Jim Bouton Enterprises.

Major League Baseball (Organization)

New York Yankees (Baseball team)

United States. Army Reserve.

Vintage Base Ball Federation.

WABC-TV (Television station : New York, N.Y.)

Wahconah Park (Pittsfield, Mass.)

WCBS-TV (Television station : New York, N.Y.)

### Subjects

Baseball cards.  
Baseball fields--Massachusetts--Pittsfield.  
Baseball players--United States.  
Baseball--Collectibles.  
Baseball--Computer network resources.  
Baseball--Georgia--Atlanta.  
Baseball--New York (State)--New York.  
Baseball--Social aspects.  
Baseball--United States.  
Big League Cards (Trademark)  
Big League Chew (Trademark)  
Chewing gum.  
Minor league baseball--United States.  
Pitching (Baseball)  
Professional athletes--Political activity.  
Radio broadcasting of sports--United States.  
Social action--United States.  
Sports journalism--United States.  
Sports--Social aspects.  
Sports--United States.  
Television broadcasting of sports--United States.  
Television programs--United States.  
Television stations--New York (State)--New York.

### **Places**

Africa--Politics and government--20th century.  
Africa--Relations--United States.  
United States--Politics and government--1945-1989.  
United States--Politics and government--1989-  
United States--Relations--Africa.  
United States--Social life and customs.

### **Occupations**

Authors.  
Baseball players.  
Businessmen.  
Sportscasters.

## **Acquisition Information**

The papers of Jim Bouton were purchased by the Library of Congress from Jim Bouton Enterprises in 2018.

## **Processing History**

The papers of Jim Bouton were arranged and described by Nate Scheible in 2019.

## **Transfers**

Items have been transferred from the Manuscript Division to other custodial divisions of the Library. A large number of audiotapes, audio reels, videotapes, and films have been transferred to the Motion Picture, Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division. Some periodicals have been transferred to the Serial and Government Publications Division. All transfers are identified in these divisions as part of the Jim Bouton Papers. Patrons are encouraged to contact these divisions in advance of a research visit.

## Copyright Status

Copyright in the unpublished writings of Jim Bouton in these papers is reserved. Consult reference staff in the Manuscript Division for further information on permission to publish collection materials.

## 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.

## Digital Files

Digital files were received as part of the Jim Bouton Papers on a variety of storage media, each of which was assigned a unique digital ID number. Use the digital ID number to request access copies of the files. Access to digital content is available onsite only in the Manuscript Reading Room and requires advance notice. Consult reference staff in the Manuscript Division for more information.

## Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container or digital ID number, Jim Bouton Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

## Biographical Note

Date	Event
1939, Mar. 8	Born, Newark, New Jersey
1962	Married Barbara (Bobbie) Heister (divorced 1981)
1962-1968	Pitcher, New York Yankees
1963	Major League Baseball All-Star (American League)
1969	Pitcher, Seattle Pilots
1969-1970	Pitcher, Houston Astros
1970	Published <i>Ball Four: My Life and Hard Times Throwing the Knuckleball in the Big Leagues</i> . New York: World Publishing
1970-1973	Sportscaster, <i>Eyewitness News</i> , WABC-TV
1971	Published <i>I'm Glad You Didn't Take it Personally</i> . New York: Morrow
1972	Delegate, Democratic National Convention
1973-1976, 1979	Sportscaster, WCBS-TV
1976	Actor and writer, <i>Ball Four</i> television series
1978	Pitcher, Atlanta Braves
circa 1980	Established Jim Bouton Enterprises
1980	Columnist, <i>Record</i> (Bergen County, N.J.)
1982	Married Paula Kurman
1983-1999	President, Big League Cards
1995	Published with Eliot Asinof <i>Strike Zone</i> . New York: Penguin
2003	Published <i>Foul Ball</i> . North Egremont, Massachusetts: Bulldog
2006	Established Vintage Base Ball Federation
2019, July 10	Died, Great Barrington, Mass.

## Scope and Content Note

The papers of Jim Bouton span the years 1939-2019, with the bulk of the material dating from 1958 to 2008. The collection mostly documents Bouton's writings, especially his book *Ball Four*, and includes files related to his career as a Major League Baseball pitcher, journalist, and businessman. The papers are primarily in English, with some Spanish. The collection is organized into nine series: [Personal File](#), [Correspondence](#), [Writings](#), [Television, Film, and Radio Career Files](#), [Business Files](#), [Baseball Playing Career](#), [Scrapbooks](#), [Closed](#), and [Oversize](#).

The [Personal File](#) series primarily documents Bouton's life outside of his career as an athlete, writer, and sportscaster. Files on Bouton's role as a representative on the American Committee on Africa in 1968, as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in 1972, and supporter of Athletes for Peace in the late 1960s document his involvement in politics and social activism. Biographical sketches and a large number of clippings and articles about Bouton are also included in the series. Similar materials also feature prominently in the [Scrapbooks](#) series. A large number of photographs containing headshots and documentation of Bouton's childhood and family also comprise a large portion of the series. Other files related to family include wife Paula Kurman's writings and son Michael's letter to the editor of the *New York Times* in 1998 regarding Bouton's ban from the New York Yankees Old Timers Day. The series features many files related to websites maintained by Bouton, most notably [www.jimbouton.com](http://www.jimbouton.com). Bouton's service in the United States Army Reserve Corps in the early 1960s is documented in the series, as are his skills as an artist, as represented through original watercolor paintings.

The [Correspondence](#) series contains letters, telegrams, and cards from family, friends, acquaintances, and fans, mostly relating to Bouton's baseball and writing careers. The chronological file contains many letters of encouragement and congratulations to Bouton during his baseball career. Some of the digital files in the series include draft correspondence related to business matters. The bulk of the alphabetical file contain sympathy cards and letters in response to the death of Bouton's daughter, Laurie, in 1997. Additional files include fan mail related to *Ball Four* and Bouton's Major League Baseball comeback with the Atlanta Braves in 1978. Detailed letters between Bouton and his future wife Paula Kurman from 1978 also comprise a large portion of the series. The series contains early letters from William K. Fred, a "bird dog" scout who recommended Bouton to be signed to his first baseball contract. Additional correspondence is spread throughout the collection and filed with the project or subject to which it relates.

The [Writings](#) series, the largest of the collection, contains both published and unpublished writings, research, and materials related to books, articles, editorials, and columns written by Bouton. A large portion of the series contains files related to the five editions of *Ball Four*, mostly focusing on the original edition published in 1970. These files include hand-written notes, correspondence, photographs, contracts, and files related to publishing and publicity. Additional materials include audio tape transcripts, heavily marked drafts by editor Leonard Shecter, extensive notes from 1968 utilized as flashbacks in the book, and a transcript of a conversation between Bouton and Shecter at the end of the 1969 season. Files also relate to potential film, musical, and theatrical adaptations of the book. Documentation of the book's original publication can also be found in the [Scrapbooks](#) series, and files related to the *Ball Four* television series, including episodes written by Bouton, are located in the [Television, Film, and Radio Career Files](#) series. Files for *I'm Glad You Didn't Take It Personally*, the 1971 follow-up to *Ball Four*, feature transcripts of Leonard Shecter's interview with Bouton regarding the public reaction to *Ball Four*. Files for the book *Foul Ball* document Bouton's efforts in the early 2000s to save Wahconah Park, a classic ballpark in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. Files detail these efforts and include information about the history and renovation of Wahconah Park. Files for the book *Strike Zone*, a novel written with Eliot Asinof and published in 1995, are also present in the series. Additional writings include articles, book forwards, book proposals, reviews, and movie treatments written by Bouton. The series contains a large number of Bouton's editorials focusing on a range of sports and political topics, concentrated mostly on those he wrote as a columnist for the *Record* in Bergen County, New Jersey in 1980.

The [Television, Film, and Radio Career Files](#) series documents Bouton's career as a sportscaster, commentator, writer, and actor in television, film, and radio. The bulk of the series focuses on Bouton's work in television as a sportscaster for the New York City stations WABC-TV and WCBS-TV in the 1970s, mostly documented through daily newscast scripts and photographs. Files related to the television series *Ball Four*, which aired briefly on CBS in 1976, include scripts for aired and unaired episodes, drafts, and diary-like writings chronicling the show's development and behind the scenes activities. Bouton, along with co-creators Marvin Kitman and Vic Ziegel, considered adapting these writings into a book. The series also contains files for television programs that were never produced including "Jim Bouton's Special Look at Sports," which focused on sports related human interest stories, and "Bus League," a reality based television show that would follow the daily lives of players on a minor league baseball team. The series also documents Bouton's appearances on a range

of television shows including *What's My Line?*, *Studio 54 with Bob Costas*, and various talk shows. Radio files include interviews, program ideas, and Bouton's occasional employment as a Major League Baseball commentator. Documented to a lesser extent in the collection are Bouton's film roles in *The Long Goodbye* and *How Do You Know*.

The [Business Files](#) series documents Bouton's investments, inventions, companies, and primary sources of income mostly following his baseball and broadcasting careers. Many of the files relate to business ventures associated with the Jim Bouton Corporation, Jim Bouton Enterprises, and the "Big League" brand name, especially Big League Chew, a chewing gum developed by Bouton in collaboration with Rob Nelson in the late 1970s. The Big League Chew files include dealings with parent company Amuro, contracts, royalty information, graphics, and files related to tobacco legislation. Another company founded by Bouton that is represented in the series includes Big League Cards, which manufactured short runs of trading cards marketed towards small businesses and little league teams. Additional products developed by Bouton documented in the series include Baseball Brain, Collect-a-Books, Slam Pad, Smart Toys, and Table to Go. A large number of the files relate to the Vintage Base Ball Federation, an organization established by Bouton in 2006 dedicated to establishing a network of teams across the United States and codifying the rules and equipment of "base ball" from the 1800s. Additional documentation of this topic can be found in the Wahconah Park files associated with the book *Foul Ball* in the [Writings](#) series. The series also documents Bouton's career as a motivational speaker and includes files related to speaking engagements and celebrity appearances. Most of these files detail the logistics of his appearances and include testimonial letters and publicity materials, but very few speeches.

The [Baseball Playing Career](#) series primarily documents Bouton's career as a pitcher in Major League Baseball and on various minor league, semi-professional, and amateur baseball clubs. The series largely documents his career with the New York Yankees from 1962 to 1968 and includes memorabilia such as baseball cards, programs, schedules, and yearbooks, as well as many photographs featuring Mickey Mantle, Roger Maris, and Elston Howard. The series also contains similar memorabilia for the Seattle Pilots, the team for which Bouton pitched while writing *Ball Four*, in the club's sole Major League Baseball season. Bouton's comeback to Major League Baseball with the Atlanta Braves is also documented within the series mostly through photographs and videos. Along with the printed matter, digital files feature radio broadcasts and videos of Bouton pitching. Additional teams that Bouton played for that are documented in the series include the Alacranes de Durango, Amarillo Gold Sox, Greensboro Yankees, Houston Astros, Portland Mavericks, and Savannah Braves. Bouton's baseball career, especially at the semi-professional level, is also documented extensively through clippings in the [Scrapbooks](#) series. Of particular note are the files containing Bouton's contracts ranging from 1958 to 1978, which document salary negotiations in the form of notes and correspondence.

The [Scrapbooks](#) largely consist of clippings and other printed matter that document Bouton's life in baseball from high school to his comeback with the Atlanta Braves, in addition to other major events in his life from 1958 to 1978. The scrapbooks are identified according to their original titles, but sometimes contain materials about Bouton from the same date span unrelated to the subject title. These scrapbooks supplement many of the same materials featured throughout the collection, most notably in the [Writings](#) series, [Television, Film, and Radio Career Files](#) series, and [Baseball Playing Career](#) series.

## Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged in nine series:

- [Personal File, 1939-2017](#)
- [Correspondence, 1960-2019](#)
- [Writings, 1965-2017](#)
- [Television, Film, and Radio Career Files, 1963-2009](#)
- [Business Files, 1965-2015](#)
- [Baseball Playing Career, 1958-2018](#)
- [Scrapbooks, 1958-1978](#)
- [Closed, 1959-1978](#)
- [Oversize, 1958-2018](#)

## Description of Series

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### Series

BOX 1-8

#### Personal File, 1939-2017

The Personal Files series mostly documents Bouton's life outside of his career as an athlete, writer, and sportscaster.

Material types include clippings, paintings, photographs, illustrations, biographical sketches, correspondence, trading cards, business cards, calendars, articles, notes, petitions, awards, and agreements.

Arranged alphabetically by subject or material type. The file structure of the digital content has been maintained as received.

BOX 8-14

#### Correspondence, 1960-2019

The Correspondence series contains letters, telegrams, and cards from family, friends, acquaintances, and fans, mostly relating to Bouton's baseball and writing careers.

Material types include letters, telegrams, cards, and associated attachments.

Arranged chronologically by date and alphabetically by person or subject. The file structure of the digital content has been maintained as received.

BOX 14-62

#### Writings, 1965-2017

The Writings series, the largest of the collection, contains both published and unpublished writings, research, and materials related to books, articles, editorials, and columns written by Bouton.

Material types include drafts, correspondence, notes, transcripts, legal documents, proposals, press releases, research, photographs, reviews, clippings, scripts, outlines, schedules, essays, contracts, baseball cards, and maps. Digital files include audio interviews, drafts, and photographs.

Arranged alphabetically by material type. The file structure of the digital content has been maintained as received.

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#### Television, Film, and Radio Career Files, 1963-2009

The Television, Film, and Radio Career Files series documents Bouton's career as a sportscaster, commentator, writer, and actor in television, film, and radio.

Material types include scripts, photographs, correspondence, notes, contracts, agreements, and outlines. Digital files include audio recordings, videos, and text files.

Arranged alphabetically by subject. The file structure of the digital content has been maintained as received.

BOX 83-98

#### Business Files, 1965-2015

The Business Files series documents Bouton's investments, inventions, companies, and primary sources of income mostly following his baseball and broadcasting careers.

Material types include contracts, correspondence, graphics, patents, trademark applications, stock certificates, photographs, catalogues, financial documents, legal documents, applications, proposals, biographical sketches, and speeches. Digital materials include photographs, videos, and textual documents.

Arranged alphabetically by subject. The file structure of the digital content has been maintained as received.

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#### Baseball Playing Career, 1958-2018

The Baseball Playing Career series primarily documents Bouton's career as a pitcher in Major League Baseball, and on various minor league, semi-professional, and amateur baseball clubs.

Material types include contracts, correspondence, photographs, newsletters, schedules, baseball cards, clippings, programs, yearbooks, scorecards, tickets, and roster sheets. Digital materials include videos and radio broadcasts.

Arranged alphabetically by subject. The file structure of the digital content has been maintained as received.

**BOX OV 8-OV 38**

**Scrapbooks, 1958-1978**

The Scrapbooks largely consist of clippings and other printed matter that document Bouton's life in baseball from high school to his comeback with the Atlanta Braves, in addition to other major events in his life from 1958 to 1978.

Materials types include clippings, itineraries, schedules, tickets, photographs, notes, programs, correspondence, scorecards, roster sheets, articles, certificates, and memoranda.

Arranged chronologically by year.

**BOX X 104**

**Closed, 1959-1978**

The Closed series contains unredacted contracts from various professional and semi-professional baseball clubs. Redacted copies accessible for research use in the [Baseball Playing Career](#) series.

Arranged and described according to the series, container, and folder from which the items were separated.

**BOX OV 1-OV 38**

**Oversize, 1958-2018**

Material types include posters, paintings, drawings, blueprints, photographs, games, artifacts, plaques, and product prototypes.

Arranged and described according to the series, containers, and folders from which the items were separated.



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## Correspondence, 1960-2019

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### Writings, 1965-2017

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Material types include drafts, correspondence, notes, transcripts, legal documents, proposals, press releases, research, photographs, reviews, clippings, scripts, outlines, schedules, essays, contracts, baseball cards, and maps. Digital files include audio interviews, drafts, and photographs.

Arranged alphabetically by material type. The file structure of the digital content has been maintained as received.

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BOX 98-103	<b>Baseball Playing Career, 1958-2018</b> <p>The Baseball Playing Career series primarily documents Bouton's career as a pitcher in Major League Baseball, and on various minor league, semi-professional, and amateur baseball clubs.</p> <p>Material types include contracts, correspondence, photographs, newsletters, schedules, baseball cards, clippings, programs, yearbooks, scorecards, tickets, and roster sheets. Digital materials include videos and radio broadcasts.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by subject. The file structure of the digital content has been maintained as received.</p>
BOX 98	Alacranes de Durango (baseball team), 1977 <i>See also Container OV 2, same heading</i>
BOX 98	"All 'Bout Bouton," fan club newsletter, 1963-1966
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DF	Atlanta Braves, video of game appearances (1978), 2005
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DF	Old Timers Day (1998), 2001 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_174
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DF	Starting debut, radio broadcast, 1962, May 6 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_156 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_157 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_158 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_159
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DF	Radio broadcasts, 1964 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_109 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_110 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_111 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_142 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_143 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_144 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_145

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BOX 102	Pitching tips, 1968
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BOX 103	Seattle Pilots, 1969-1970 <a href="#">See also Container OV 6, Pennant, Seattle Pilots</a> (2 folders)
DF	Seattle Pilots, digital files "Go Go You Pilots," song, 1969 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_068 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_121 Radio broadcast, 1969 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_113 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_114 <i>Seattle Pilots: Short Flight Into History</i> , documentary, 2010 <b>Digital ID:</b> mss86270_173_149
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BOX OV 8-OV 38	<b>Scrapbooks, 1958-1978</b> The Scrapbooks largely consist of clippings and other printed matter that document Bouton's life in baseball from high school to his comeback with the Atlanta Braves, in addition to other major events in his life from 1958 to 1978. Materials types include clippings, itineraries, schedules, tickets, photographs, notes, programs, correspondence, scorecards, roster sheets, articles, certificates, and memoranda. Arranged chronologically by year.
BOX OV 8	1958-1961 , high school and minor league baseball
BOX OV 9	1960-1961 , minor league baseball, Greensboro Yankees and Amarillo Gold Sox.
BOX OV 10-11	1962 , New York Yankees
BOX OV 12-13	1963 , New York Yankees
BOX OV 14	1963-1964 , New York Yankees, World Series
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BOX OV 17	1964-1965 , New York Yankees, World Series
BOX OV 18	1964-1965 , New York Yankees
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BOX OV 21	1968 , New York Yankees, Seattle Pilots
BOX OV 22	1969 , Seattle Pilots, Houston Astros
BOX OV 23	1970 , Houston Astros
BOX OV 24	1970 , Houston Astros, <i>Ball Four</i> (book)
BOX OV 25-26	1970 , <i>Ball Four</i> (book)
BOX OV 27	1970 , <i>Eyewitness News</i> , WABC-TV
BOX OV 28-29	1970-1973 , <i>Ball Four</i> (book)
BOX OV 30	1970-1976 , Semi-professional baseball
BOX OV 31	1971-1973 , <i>Eyewitness News</i> , WABC-TV
BOX OV 32	1971-1973 , <i>I'm Glad You Didn't Take It Personally</i>

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Container	Contents
BOX OV 33	1972 , Politics, Democratic National Convention
BOX OV 34	1973-1974 , WCBS-TV
BOX OV 35	1975 , Portland Mavericks
BOX OV 36	1976 , <i>Ball Four</i> (television program)
BOX OV 37	1977 , Knoxville White Sox
BOX OV 38	1978 , Comeback with Savannah Braves and Atlanta Braves
BOX X 104	<b>Closed, 1959-1978</b> The Closed series contains unredacted contracts from various professional and semi-professional baseball clubs. Redacted copies accessible for research use in the <a href="#">Baseball Playing Career</a> series. Arranged and described according to the series, container, and folder from which the items were separated.
BOX X 104	Baseball playing career, contracts and contract negotiations, 1959-1978 (Container 99, same heading)
BOX OV 1-OV 38	<b>Oversize, 1958-2018</b> Material types include posters, paintings, drawings, blueprints, photographs, games, artifacts, plaques, and product prototypes. Arranged and described according to the series, containers, and folders from which the items were separated.  Personal File
BOX OV 1	Paintings and drawings, 1960, undated (Container 3, same heading) (3 folders)
BOX OV 2	Photographs with Marvin Kitman and Governor William T. Cahill, circa 1970s-circa 1990s (Container 7, Miscellany)
BOX OV 2	Photograph, U.S. Army Reserve, 1963 (Container 8, same heading)
BOX OV 3	Blueprints, Wahconah Park, 1997, 2004 (Container 47, Construction)
BOX OV 1	Newspaper used in <i>The Long Goodbye</i> , 1972 (Container 63, <i>The Long Goodbye</i> )
BOX OV 2	Photographs, WCBS-TV, circa 1973-1979 (Container 74, same heading)
BOX OV 3	Poster of Masaichi Kaneda, circa 1975 (Container 83, Sports stories)
BOX OV 4	Baseball Brain display, 1974 (Container 83, same heading)
BOX OV 1	Bottlecap Baseball playing board and financial chart, 1974 (Container 88, same heading)
BOX OV 5	Mudder prototype, circa 1995-1996 (Container 90, Mudders)
BOX OV 1	Posters, speaking engagements, circa 1981-1993 (Container 91, Brochure)
BOX OV 6	Sports complex design blueprints, 1974 (Container 93, same heading)
BOX OV 7	Table To Go, circa 1985-circa 1989 (Container 94, same heading)
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BOX OV 2	Poster, Alacranes de Durango, 1977 (Container 98, same heading)
BOX OV 1	Texas League All-Star Game souvenir print, 1961 (Container 98, Amarillo Gold Sox)
BOX OV 7	Plaque, "Come-Back Award of the Year," Atlanta Braves, 1978 (Container 98, Atlanta Braves)

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BOX OV 2	Photograph, Bouton pitching, circa 1977 (Container 100, same heading)
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BOX OV 1	Photographs, New York Yankees, 1964, undated (Container 101, same heading)
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