

**Kevin Bohn Papers**  
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## Collection Summary

**Title:** Kevin Bohn Papers

**Inclusive Dates:** 1979-2020

**ID No.:** MSS86480

**Creator:** Bohn, Kevin

**Extent:** 300 items

**Extent:** 2 containers

**Extent:** 0.8 linear feet

**Language:** Collection material in English

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

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**Summary:** Television news producer. Memoranda, scripts, notes, promotional materials, press packets, press releases, and other papers pertaining to Bohn's career with the CNN Washington Bureau, Washington, D.C.

## Acquisition Information

The papers of Kevin Bohn were given to the Library of Congress by Bohn in 2022.

## Processing History

The papers of Kevin Bohn were arranged and described by Melissa Capozio Jones in 2023.

## Related Material

Related collections in the Manuscript Division include the papers of Elissa Blake Free (see <https://hdl.loc.gov/loc.mss/eadmss.ms022007>).

## Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Kevin Bohn is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

## Access and Restrictions

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

## Preferred Citation

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

## Biographical Note

Date	Event
1965, Jan. 22	Born, Hopkinsville, Kentucky
1982	Intern, Cable News Network (CNN) afternoon show, <i>Take Two</i>
1987	B.A., political science and broadcast journalism, American University, Washington, D.C.

1987-1990	Associate producer, CNN weekend talk shows, including <i>Newsmaker</i>
1990-1997	White House producer, CNN
1997-2001	Senior package producer, CNN
2001-2009	Senior producer, Justice Unit, CNN
2009-2014	Senior producer, Political Unit, CNN
2014-2020, Dec.	Supervising producer, weekend coverage, CNN
2021	Left CNN to pursue freelance production work

## Scope and Content Note

The papers of Kevin Bohn span the years 1979-2020, with the bulk of the material dating from 1980 to 2016. The collection documents Bohn's thirty-year career as a producer with the CNN Washington Bureau. The collection is arranged alphabetically by subject.

The collection consists of material on the launch of CNN as well as productions Bohn worked on and his supplemental research. Documents include promotional materials about the early years of CNN, such as write-ups on original lead anchors, show schedules, and press releases about event coverage logistics. Also included is a January 2, 1992, memo incorrectly announcing the death of President George Bush, which led to major changes in CNN internal policies related to information distribution. Material of note includes Bohn's production and research files, such as press packets and research on investigations of terrorist attacks in the United States, scripts for interviews with prominent political and historical figures, and documents for the production of the *Newsmaker* weekend talk shows with executive producer Elissa Blake Free.

## Arrangement of the Collection

This collection is arranged alphabetically by subject or type of material.

## 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

Bohn, Kevin, 1965-  
Free, Elissa Blake, 1955-

### Organizations

Cable News Network.  
CNN Washington Bureau (Washington, D.C.)

### Subjects

Journalism--Washington (D.C.)  
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Television broadcasting of news.  
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### Occupations

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