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**Wiley E. Branton**  
187-1 to 187-18

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## Scope and Contents

The papers of lawyer, civil rights activist, and former Howard University Law School Dean, Wiley A. Branton (1923-1988) span the period of 1946-1989 and measure approximately 7 1/2 linear feet. Correspondence comprises the bulk of the collection and includes notables such as Daisy Bates, John Hope Franklin, Vernon Jordan, Coretta Scott King, Martin Luther King, Jr., Benjamin Mays, Walter White, and Roy Wilkins.

Branton was born and raised in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. Biographical and educational material can be found in the Personal Papers series. Branton was one of the first African-American students enrolled in the University of Arkansas where he earned his J.D. in 1952. He practiced law in Pine Bluff from 1952-1962, and during that time he achieved national prominence as Chief Counsel for the plaintiffs in the Little Rock School case. Branton's legal papers from that case are not included in this collection. Reference to Branton's role in the case, however, can be found throughout his correspondence, speeches, and writings about Branton. Newspaper clippings chronicling the case can be found in Scrapbook II.

From 1962 until his investiture as Dean of the Howard University Law School in 1978, Branton continued to practice law but also served on many important civil rights projects. He was the first Executive Director of the Voter Education Project; the Executive Director of the Council for United Civil Rights Leadership, Inc.; Executive Secretary to the President's Council on Equal Opportunity; and Director of the United Planning Organization, Washington, D.C. Material relating to these organizations can be found in the series Organizational Affiliations.

In 1972 Branton was chosen to direct the Voter Registration Fund (VRF), a non-partisan organization created to provide funding to tax exempt organizations in support of voter registra-

tion activities. Of note in this collection are Branton's files from that organization. The final report of the VRF outlines the organization's goals and achievements. Application material, reports, and printed material of applying organizations provide insight into the accomplishments of this fund, also known as the "Greatness Fund."

From 1978-1983 Branton served as Dean of the Howard University School of Law. This collection does not contain the files of his office, but his activities as Dean can be traced through his correspondence, writings, and newspaper clippings. After Branton resigned as Dean, he joined the Washington, D.C. office of Sidley & Austin where he continued to practice law until his death in 1988. The papers of Wiley Branton were donated to Moorland-Spingarn Research Center in 1989 by his wife, Ms. Lucille Branton, and daughter, Ms. Beverly Branton.

## Biographical Sketch

- Dec 13, 1923 Born in Pine Bluff, Arkansas to Leo Andrew and Pauline (Wiley) Branton.
- 1941-1943 Enrolled in Arkansas A.M. & N. College
- 1943-1946 Drafted into Army as private and discharged as Master Sergeant. Attended Army Technical School in Boston, Mass.; served as battalion construction foreman for 10 months on Saipan and Okinawa. Served as Military Intelligence NCO.
- 1946-1962 President and General Manager of Branton Taxi Company, Pine Bluff, Arkansas.
- 1948 Married Lucille McKee. They had 6 children.
- 1950 Earned BS from Arkansas A. M. & N. College
- 1950-1953 One of the first African-American students to enroll in University of Arkansas. Earned J.D. from School of Law.
- 1952-1962 Admitted to Arkansas Bar and practiced law in Pine Bluff, Ark; served as Chief Counsel for the plaintiffs in the Little Rock School case.
- 1962 Admitted to Georgia Bar.
- 1962-1965 Served as the first Executive Director of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council in Atlanta, GA.
- 1963 Employed as Executive Director of the Council for United Civil Rights Leadership, Inc.
- 1965 Chosen by Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey to be Executive Secretary to the President's Council on Equal Opportunity.

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| 1965-1967         | Employed by the Department of Justice; assisted former Attorney Generals Nicholas Katzenbach and Ramsey Clark in the implementation of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. |
| 1967              | Admitted to D.C. Bar.   |
| 1967-1969         | Served as Executive Director to the United Planning Organization, Washington, D.C.  |
| 1969-1971         | Selected by Walter P. Reuther to direct the social action program of the Alliance for Labor Action, Washington, D.C.  |
| 1971-1978         | Practiced law as Partner in Dolphin, Branton, Stafford & Webber.  |
| 1972-1974         | Served as director of the Voter Registration Fund.  |
| 1977              | Received Henry W. Edgerton award, ACLU.   |
| 1978-1983         | Served as Dean of Howard University Law School.   |
| 1983-1988         | Partner in the Washington Office of Sidley & Austin.  |
| 1986              | Named Lawyer of the year by the Bar Association of the District of Columbia.  |
| 1987              | Received the Whitney North Seymour Award  |
| December 15, 1988 | Died at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington D.C. after a heart attack. He is buried in Bellwood Cemetery, Pine Bluff, Arkansas.                               |

## Series Description

### **Series A**

Box 187-1  
to 187-2

#### **Personal Papers**

Biographical information; educational material including 2 University of Arkansas yearbooks (1951 and 1952); bar exam results; letters of reference; and press releases highlight Branton's achievements in the fields of law and politics.

### **Series B**

Box 187-2  
to 187-10

#### **Correspondence**

The bulk of the collection, this series includes correspondence from Branton's legal practice, from his service as director of the Voter Registration Fund, and from his position as Dean of Howard University's School of Law. Included is correspondence with politicians such as Mayor Marion Barry, Senator Dale Bumpers, then-Governor Bill Clinton, and Hubert Humphrey, as well as with notable civil rights leaders including Daisy Bates, John Hope Franklin, Vernon Jordan, Jr., Martin Luther King, Jr., Coretta Scott King, Walter White, and Roy Wilkins. Correspondence is arranged alphabetically by correspondent. Correspondence transferred from series F, Voter Registration Fund, has been interfiled with the correspondence from this series.

### **Series C**

Box 187-10  
to 187-12

#### **Writings by Branton**

The majority of this series is speeches that Branton presented at various functions throughout the United States; several refer to Branton's role in the Little Rock school desegregation case. Also included are tributes to a number of Branton's colleagues including Daisy Bates, Belford Lawson, Jr., Clarence Mitchell, Jr., Thurgood Marshall, and Roy Wilkins.

### **Series D**

Box 187-12

#### **Writings About Branton**

Journal, magazine, and newspaper articles chronicle major landmarks in his legal and political careers as well as his appointment as Dean of the Howard University Law School. While there are a number of

retrospective articles about his role in Little Rock, articles from the time of the case can be found in series J, Scrapbooks. Also of note are a number of articles from the 1970-1971 "Sandbar" rape case that Branton defended. All newspaper clippings have been photocopied for preservation purposes.

**Series E**  
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to 187-13

**Writings by Others**

This series contains published writings on civil and voter rights as well as speeches by Vernon Jordan and Andrew Young.

**Series F**  
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to 187-16

**Voter Registration Fund**

The Voter Registration Fund (VRF), or the "Greatness Fund," was a non-partisan organization created to provide funding to tax exempt organizations in support of voter registration activities. Branton served as Director of the Fund during its existence from 1972 to 1975. Included in this series is the final report of the VRF that provides an overview of its creation and activities. The bulk of this series consists of the papers created in the funding process; application material, organizational papers of applying organizations, reports, and printed material. The series is arranged alphabetically by applicant. Correspondence has been removed to series B, Correspondence.

**Series G**  
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to 187-18

**Organizational Affiliations**

This series includes reports and printed material of organizations that Branton was involved with. Of note is the President's Council on Equal Opportunity to which Branton served as Executive Secretary. Included is Branton's binder that contains reports a report from Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey on the coordination of civil rights activities in the Federal Government. Other organizations of note include the National Bar Association, the United States Department of Justice, and the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff.



**Series H**  
Box 187-18

**Awards**

Consists of material relating to two awards that Branton won; the D.C. Federation of Civic Associations, Inc. award, and the Whitney North Seymour Award that includes a speech by Vernon Jordan.

**Series I**  
Box 187-18

**Programs**

Contains programs from events that Branton either attended or participated in. Of note is a 1958 flyer announcing a Wiley Branton speech; program material from a 1965 seminar on the American Negro Freedom Movement; programs from Branton's 1978 investiture as Dean of Howard University School of Law; and a 1979 program, "25 Years Since Brown."

**Series J**  
Box 187-18

**Scrapbooks**

This series consists of two scrapbooks compiled by Branton. One of the scrapbooks is titled, "Voter Education Project," and the other includes several newspaper clippings regarding the Little Rock case. All the clippings have been photocopied for preservation purposes.

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|           | 2  | Bates, Daisy                   |
|           | 3  | Beale, Melba                   |
|           | 4  | Belcher, S.P., Jr.             |
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|           | 6  | Benson, Daniel H.              |
|           | 7  | Benson, Lucy Wilson            |
|           | 8  | Bentley, Lemuel                |
|           | 9  | Bernard, Nesta H.              |
|           | 10 | Bierbower, James J.            |
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|           | 12 | Boggs, Woodrow, Jr.            |
|           | 13 | Branton, Beverly L. (daughter) |
|           | 14 | Branton, Estella (grandmother) |
|           | 15 | Branton, Etter Lee (aunt)      |
|           | 16 | Branton, Gail (daughter)       |
|           | 17 | Branton, Leo, Jr.              |
|           | 18 | Branton, Richard (son)         |
|           | 19 | Branton, Sterling W.           |
|           | 20 | Brown, Ronald H.               |
|           | 21 | Bumpers, Dale                  |
|           | 22 | Bundles, A'Lelia P.            |
|           | 23 | Burse, Luther                  |
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|           | 32    | Cary, Frank T.           |
|           | 33    | Catoe, Bette L.          |
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|           | 36    | Cheek, James E.          |
|           | 37    | Cherry, Charles          |
|           | 38    | Christopher, Warren      |
|           | 39    | Clark, Ouida O.          |
|           | 40    | Clarke, David A.         |
|           | 41    | Clinton, Bill            |
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|           | 46    | Coleman, William T., Jr. |
|           | 47    | Conyers, John, Jr.       |
|           | 48    | Cook, Samuel DuBois      |
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|           | 3     | Davis, John A.           |
|           | 4     | Davis, Lawrence A.       |
|           | 5     | Davis, William           |
|           | 6     | Davis, Wylie H.          |
|           | 7     | DeButts, John D.         |
|           | 8     | DeJean, Joseph L.        |
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|           | 17 | Donegan, Charles E.      |
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|           |    | Dorn, David              |
|           | 19 | 1972                     |
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|           | 21 | Dove, Henry A.           |
|           | 22 | Duckett, Warren B., Jr.  |
|           | 23 | Duncan, Joan W.          |
|           | 24 | Dunn, J.D.               |
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|           | 30 | Edwards, George          |
|           | 31 | Edwards, M. Delmar       |
|           | 32 | England, Richard         |
|           | 33 | English, J.R.            |
|           | 34 | F-Fo                     |
|           | 35 | Fr                       |
|           | 36 | Fancher, Eric            |
|           | 37 | Farris, J. Jerome        |
|           | 38 | Fauntroy, Walter E.      |
|           | 39 | Ferrell, H. Albion       |
|           | 40 | Flint, Sam Hall          |
|           | 41 | Flowers, W. Harold       |
|           | 42 | Franklin, John Hope      |
|           | 43 | Freyer, Tony             |
|           | 44 | Friday, Herschel H.      |
|           | 45 | Fulbright, J. William    |
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|           | 53 | Gookin, Richard            |
|           | 54 | Grant, Claudie, Jr.        |
| Box 187-5 | 1  | Green, Ernest              |
|           | 2  | Green, Joyce Hens          |
|           | 3  | Greenberg, Jack            |
|           | 4  | Greene, Henry F.           |
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|           | 12 | Harris, Delong             |
|           | 13 | Harris, Patricia Roberts   |
|           | 14 | Harris, Robert D.          |
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|           | 17 | Higgenbotham, A. Leon, Jr. |
|           | 18 | Hill, Dewitt               |
|           | 19 | Hollingsworth, Perlesta A. |
|           | 20 | Hooks, Benjamin L.         |
|           | 21 | Horsky, Charles A.         |
|           | 22 | Howard, George, Jr.        |
|           | 23 | Howard, John               |
|           | 24 | Howard, Juanita            |
|           | 25 | Hughes, Charles R., Jr.    |
|           | 26 | Humphrey, Hubert H.        |
|           | 27 | I                          |
|           | 28 | Ja-Je                      |
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|           | 38        | Johnson, Jim              |
|           | 39        | Johnson, Kenneth L., Jr.  |
|           | 40        | Johnson, Leroy R.         |
|           | 41        | Jones, Jno Jay            |
|           | 42        | Jones, Julia Branton      |
|           | 43        | Jones, Myrtle M.          |
|           | 44        | Jones, Vivian Malone      |
|           | 45        | Jones, William B.         |
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| 2         |           | Jordan, Millicent Dobbs   |
| 3         |           | Jordan, Vernon E., Jr.    |
| 4         |           | K                         |
| 5         |           | Keith, Damon J.           |
| 6         |           | King, Coretta Scott       |
| 7         |           | King, Don                 |
| 8         |           | King, Martin Luther, Jr.  |
| 9         |           | Kramer, Leo               |
| 10        |           | La-Le                     |
| 11        |           | Li-Ly                     |
| 12        |           | Ladt, Carroll             |
| 13        |           | LaGrone, Roy              |
| 14        |           | La Rue, Homer C.          |
| 15        |           | Leflar, Robert A.         |
| 16        |           | Leonard, Walter J.        |
| 17        |           | Leslie, James W.          |
| 18        |           | Levitas, Elliott H.       |
|           |           | Lewis, John               |
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| 20        |           | 1974-1976                 |
| 21        |           | Lichtenstein, Marshall H. |
| 22        |           | Lile, Pat                 |
| 23        |           | Lindsey, Bart             |
| 24        |           | Lockwood, Peter Van N.    |
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|           | 3  | McKay, Robert B.             |
|           | 4  | McRae, Thomas                |
|           | 5  | Marshall, Thurgood           |
|           | 6  | Martin, Louis                |
|           | 7  | Mays, Benjamin E.            |
|           | 8  | Minow, Newton N.             |
|           | 9  | Mitchell, H.L.               |
|           | 10 | Mitchell, Juanita Jackson    |
|           | 11 | Mitchell, William P.         |
|           | 12 | Moon, May Ellen              |
|           | 13 | Moore, Malvin E., Jr.        |
|           | 14 | Morris, Virginia             |
|           | 15 | Morris, William H.           |
|           | 16 | Moultrie, H. Carl            |
|           |    | Morsell, John A.             |
|           | 17 | 1972                         |
|           | 18 | 1973-1974                    |
|           | 19 | N                            |
|           | 20 | Nabrit, James M.             |
|           | 21 | Narayan, Rudy                |
|           | 22 | Norton, Eleanor Holmes       |
|           | 23 | O                            |
|           | 24 | P-Pe                         |
|           | 25 | Ph-Pu                        |
|           | 26 | Parker, Barrington D.        |
|           | 27 | Patton, W.C.                 |
|           | 28 | Pickens, William, III        |
|           | 29 | <u>Pine Bluff Commercial</u> |
|           | 30 | Powell, Jewell               |
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| Box 187-8 | 1                   | Rougeau, Weldon J.       |                |
|           | 2                   | Roxborough, Mildred Bond |                |
|           | 3                   | Russell, Harvey          |                |
|           | 4                   | Russell, Wendell P.      |                |
|           |                     |                          | Rustin, Bayard |
|           | 5                   | 1972                     |                |
|           | 6                   | 1973-1974, 1980          |                |
|           | 7                   | Sa-Se                    |                |
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|           | 9                   | Sm-Sp                    |                |
|           | 10                  | St-Sy                    |                |
|           | 11                  | Schimmel, Alan           |                |
|           | 12                  | Scott, William           |                |
|           | 13                  | Shepard, Sam             |                |
|           | 14                  | Siegel, Norman           |                |
|           | 15                  | Sims, Vernon P           |                |
|           | 16                  | Slater, Rodney E.        |                |
|           | 17                  | Sloan, Shirley           |                |
|           | 18                  | Smith, Herman B., Jr.    |                |
|           | 19                  | Somers, John             |                |
|           | 20                  | Spurlock, Jeanne         |                |
|           | 21                  | Stigger, L. Percell      |                |
|           | 22                  | Ta-Th                    |                |
|           | 23                  | To-Ty                    |                |
|           | 24                  | Taylor, Felix            |                |
|           | 25                  | Thomas, Jefferson        |                |
|           | 26                  | Thomas, Mabel            |                |
|           | 27                  | Thompson, Allen R.       |                |
|           | 28                  | Thompson, Geraldine G.   |                |
|           | 29                  | Thornton, Ray            |                |
|           | 30                  | Tignor, Robert S.        |                |
|           | 31                  | Toldson, Johnita Scott   |                |
|           | 32                  | Tollett, Kenneth S.      |                |
| 33        | Toussaint, James M. |                          |                |

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|           | 4  | Tydings, Joseph D.    |
|           | 5  | U                     |
|           | 6  | Ubani, Marazere C.    |
|           | 7  | V                     |
|           | 8  | Varnado, Vashti O.    |
|           | 9  | Velasquez, William C. |
|           | 10 | Wa                    |
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|           | 19 | Washington, Walter E. |
|           | 20 | Waters, Sheila        |
|           | 21 | Welch, Nat            |
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|           | 23 | Westwood, Howard      |
|           | 24 | Whitaker, Ridley      |
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|           | 26 | White, Walter         |
|           | 27 | Wiley, Frank          |
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|           | 30 | Wilkins, Roy          |
|           | 31 | Wilson, Henry H.      |
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