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Special Assistant in the White House, 1959-1961; speech writer for Richard Nixon, 1962; Deputy Assistant to the President for Urban Affairs, 1969.

Interview #1.

Speech writer for DDE, 1958-1961: working under Malcolm Moos; DDE's editing of speeches; anecdotes about several speeches, 1958-1961; DDE's speech-making role in the 1960 campaign. Role of the White House staff in speech writing: White House economists; Bryce Harlow; Malcolm Moos. Post-presidential work with DDE. Hess' relationship with Richard Nixon. The DDE-Nixon relationship. Assessment of DDE as president.

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