

Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Jane Bond Moore

Overview of the Collection

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Creator:	Moore, Jane B.
Title:	The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Jane Bond Moore,
Dates:	April 14, 2007
Bulk Dates:	2007
Physical Description:	6 Betacame SP videocassettes (2:38:18).
Abstract:	Law professor Jane Bond Moore (1938 -) spent over twenty-six years as an attorney, and enjoyed a long and successful teaching career at multiple institutions of higher learning. Moore was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on April 14, 2007, in Berkeley, California. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.
Identification:	A2007_138
Language:	The interview and records are in English.

Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Civil rights attorney and law professor Jane Bond Moore was born Jane Marguerite Bond on September 1, 1938, in Nashville, Tennessee. Her mother, Julia Hynes Washington Bond, was a second generation college graduate and her father, “race man” Horace Mann Bond, was a world class scholar and president of Fort Valley State University and Lincoln University. As a child, Moore met Paul Robeson, Kwame Nkrumah, Ann Morrow Lindberg, and Philippa Duke Schuyler; she attended Fort Valley Demonstration School, “School at Ms. Foster’s House,” Village School at Lincoln University, Cambridge School in Weston, Massachusetts, and graduated from Wilmington, Delaware’s Friends High School in 1955. After first attending University of Pennsylvania and Lincoln University, Moore graduated from Spelman College in 1959 with her B.S. degree in psychology.

She worked for the Southern Regional Council, helping to monitor Southern lynchings. During the 1960s; volunteered in the Atlanta offices of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC); and worked with James Forman, Ruby Doris Smith, and her brother, Julian Bond, helping with his successful 1966 campaign for a seat in the Georgia State Legislature. In 1971, Moore relocated to Berkeley, California with her husband, Howard Moore, Jr. Jane Bond Moore graduated with her J.D. degree from Boalt Hall at the University of California in 1975, and began practicing law in 1980. Moore worked for a time with the Federal Trade Commission, and from 1990 to 2001, she worked with the Oakland Unified School District. At the Oakland Unified School District, Moore represented clients in public school student discipline cases and public employees in both discrimination and disciplinary matters.

Moore began working as a law partner with her husband at Moore & Moore in 2001. In addition, Moore taught employment law and civil rights law at John F. Kennedy University Law School. Moore also taught “The Constitution, Labor, and the Law” at the undergraduate level at Notre Dame de Namur University. Moore was a member of the Labor and Employment Section of the State Bar of California; the California Law Association; the National Law Association; the Alameda County Bar Association; and the Charles H. Houston Bar Association. The

Center for Social Justice presented Moore on 2006's Civil Rights and Diversity Series, where her speech was entitled "Black, Brown, and Yellow, Encounters with the Constitution and School Segregation."

Moore is the mother of three grown children: Grace, Constance, and Kojo.

Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Jane Bond Moore was conducted by Larry Crowe on April 14, 2007, in Berkeley, California, and was recorded on 6 Betacame SP videocassettes. Law professor Jane Bond Moore (1938 -) spent over twenty-six years as an attorney, and enjoyed a long and successful teaching career at multiple institutions of higher learning.

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Controlled Access Terms

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Persons:

Moore, Jane B.

Crowe, Larry (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews

Moore, Jane B.--Interviews

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African American law teachers--Interviews

African American lawyers--Interviews

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The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

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Law Professor

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Administrative Information

Custodial History

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Processing Information

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Other Finding Aid

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Original Interview Footage

Video Oral History Interview with Jane Bond Moore, Section A2007_138_001_001, TRT: 0:30:36
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Jane Bond Moore was born on September 1, 1938 in Nashville, Tennessee to HistoryMaker Julia Bond and Horace Mann Bond. She describes her maternal family history. Her maternal great-grandfather owned a flower nursery and a lot of land. After his death, Moore's maternal great-grandmother made a large donation to Fisk University in Nashville. Her maternal grandfather, George Washington, was an educator and principal of a black high school around Nashville, Tennessee. Moore's mother was educated at Fisk University and worked as an educator until she married. She later worked as a librarian for Atlanta University libraries. Moore's paternal grandfather, James Bond, was a biracial man who attended Berea College in Berea, Kentucky and later worked for the YMCA, and on race relations. Named after the education reformer, Moore's father, Horace Mann Bond, obtained his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in Chicago, Illinois and came from a well-educated family. Moore also shared stories from her father's childhood.

African American civil rights workers--Interviews.

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Video Oral History Interview with Jane Bond Moore, Section A2007_138_001_002, TRT: 0:29:35
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Jane Bond Moore's father, Horace Mann Bond, was the president of Fort Valley State University in Fort Valley, Georgia, and then of Lincoln University in Oxford, Pennsylvania. Discussions about race in her family's circles were common and the family also subscribed to black newspapers like The Pittsburgh Courier. Moore is the older sister of James Bond and HistoryMaker Julian Bond. She describes her memories of Fort Valley, Georgia where she attended the demonstration school on the campus of Fort Valley State University. Moore remembers the smell of pinewood, cracking pecans, churning ice cream, riding her bicycle, and playing dress up. Her parents disapproved of "Amos 'n' Andy." Although Moore attended church on Sundays, her family was not religious. As a child, she met Jackie Robinson, Paul Robeson, W.E.B. Du Bois, and Philippa Schuyler. She also met Anne Morrow Lindbergh and Dwight Morrow. Moore also talks about her childhood personality and growing up on the Lincoln University campus.

Video Oral History Interview with Jane Bond Moore, Section A2007_138_001_003, TRT: 0:29:27
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Jane Bond Moore loved to read as a child. She describes her elementary education after her father, Horace Mann Bond, became president of Lincoln University in Oxford, Pennsylvania. In ninth grade, she was enrolled in The Cambridge School of Weston in Massachusetts. Homesick, she transferred to

Wilmington Friends School in Wilmington, Delaware and graduated in 1955. Moore describes her experience away at boarding school from the black community as well as her favorite teachers. In college, Moore transferred from the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia to Lincoln University; and finally to Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia from where she graduated in 1959. She talks about the teachers who influenced her like Miss Marguerite Simon at Spelman and her lack of interest in joining a sorority. Moore attended graduate school intermittently at Atlanta University in Atlanta, Georgia before becoming involved with the Civil Rights movement. She also shares how she met her husband, HistoryMaker Howard Moore, Jr.

Video Oral History Interview with Jane Bond Moore, Section A2007_138_001_004, TRT: 0:29:35
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Jane Bond Moore worked for the Southern Regional Council, Spelman College, SCLC, and SNCC in Atlanta, Georgia during the Civil Rights Movement, but did not participate in any demonstrations. She met activists including Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Stokely Carmichael, H. Rap Brown, and HistoryMakers Marion Barry, Vernon Jordan, Marian Wright Edelman, Andrew Young and Reverend Dr. Wyatt Tee Walker. Before her marriage to HistoryMaker Howard Moore, Jr. with whom she had three children, Moore lived with Dorothy Miller Zellner, a member of SNCC. She describes the climate of Atlanta during the 1970s, and the relationship between SNCC and the SCLC. Moore describes her safety concerns for her brother, HistoryMaker Julian Bond, during the Bond v. Floyd case. Around 1970, Moore's family relocated to Berkeley, California where her husband was one of HistoryMaker Angela Davis' lawyers during her trial. She talks about Berkeley culture and her decision to enroll at University of California Berkeley School of Law.

Video Oral History Interview with Jane Bond Moore, Section A2007_138_001_005, TRT: 0:28:53
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Jane Bond Moore reflects upon her legal career and how she would like to change the judicial system. She graduated from the University of California Berkeley School of Law in 1975, and worked for the Oakland Unified School District from 1990 to 2001. In 2001, she became a law partner with her husband, HistoryMaker Howard Moore, Jr., at Moore & Moore. Moore also taught at the John F. Kennedy Law School in Pleasant Hill, California, and Notre Dame de Namur University in Belmont, California. A member of the State Bar of California, she was also active in the Charles Houston Bar Association and active with Friends of the Berkeley Public Library. Moore talks about her three children and what she would do differently. She also describes her hopes and concerns for the African American community and how she would like to be remembered.

Video Oral History Interview with Jane Bond Moore, Section A2007_138_001_006, TRT: 0:10:12
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Jane Bond Moore narrates her photographs.