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ABSTRACT

INTERVIEWEE NAME: Steve Bordelon

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IDENTIFICATION: Louisiana Politician.

INTERVIEWER: Gary Huey

PROJECT: Gillis Long

INTERVIEW DATES: August 11, 1986

FOCUS DATES: 1970s-1980s

ABSTRACT:

Tape 1709, Side A

Bordelon's friendship with Long deeper than just on political level; cannot think of any weaknesses in Long; Long took into consideration the issues of unemployment and the economy; Long very concerned about the hostages during the Vietnam war; Long won in 1972 because he "put a political base together"; Long not fully prepared when he first ran for Congress; Edwin Edwards; Bordelon feels Long worked himself to death; Long's bad habits; going fishing with Long and Joe Ticheli; Long's successors; Carson Keller; Long didn't run for governorship after Edwards because of his health; Long's main contributions to Louisiana included public works;

TAPES: 1 (T1709)

TOTAL PLAYING TIME: 1 hour

PAGES TRANSCRIPT: 13 pages

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