Collection #: MSS 936
Name: The R. Bruce Ford, M.D. Papers
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Biographical Note: R. Bruce Ford was born in Easley, South Carolina in 1931. He received his medical degree from the Medical University of South Carolina in 1957, specializing in psychiatry. Dr. Ford belonged to numerous professional organizations, and served as Chairman of the South Carolina Medical Association Committee on Mental Health from 1971-1975, and as President of the South Carolina District Branch of the American Psychiatric Association from 1980-1981. Dr. Ford was on the faculty of MUSC from 1967-1980. Dr. Ford retired to Anderson, South Carolina.

Scope and Content Note: The R. Bruce Ford, M.D. Papers, 1969-1988, .5 cubic feet, document Dr. Ford’s professional activities with the Academy of Orthomolecular Psychiatry, the South Carolina Department of Mental Health, and the South Carolina District Branch of the American Psychiatric Association. The collection includes meeting minutes, membership lists, correspondence, and newsletters. The collection also includes records
relating to Dr. Ford’s efforts to have the drug Anafranil made available in the United States for use in clinical trials for the treatment of Obsessive Compulsive Disorder. Correspondents include United States Senator Strom Thurmond. The original order of the collection has been maintained, and the collection is arranged alphabetically.

Printed materials from the collection have been cataloged separately.

**Subject Headings:**

Ford, R. Bruce (1931-)
Thurmond, Strom (1902-2003)

Academy of Orthomolecular Psychiatry
Ciba-Geigy Corporation
Clomipramine
Medical University of South Carolina
South Carolina Department of Mental Health
South Carolina District Branch of the American Psychiatric Association

Obsessive Compulsive Disorder- drug therapy
Psychiatry- South Carolina

**Inventory:**

Folder 1: Academy of Orthomolecular Psychiatry, 1972-1973, 1982-1987, no date, 47 items
Folder 2: Academy of Orthomolecular Psychiatry: Meeting, May 3, 1974, 9 items
Folder 3: Anafranil, 1986, 17 items
Folder 4: Correspondence: re: Anafranil, 1979, 1985-2000, no date, 17 items
Folder 5: South Carolina Department of Mental Health, 1974-1982, 20 items
Folder 6: South Carolina District Branch of the American Psychiatric Association, 1969-1979, 69 items
Folder 7: South Carolina District Branch of the American Psychiatric Association, 1974-1988, 94 items
Folder 8: South Carolina Medical Association Committee on Mental Health, 1981-1988, 21 items
Folder 9: South Carolina Medical Association Committee on Mental Health, 1981, 1989, 5 items