



Interview No.: OH 2.3

Title: Lloyd L. Martin, Interview by Brooke Fox and Susan Hoffius, 19 November 2008

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Interviewees: Martin, Lloyd L., 1920-2013

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Subject (Topical):

Kidney Transplantation.

Lymphocyte Depletion

Lymphocyte depletion--instrumentation

Transplant Recipients.

Tissue Donors.

Nephrology.

Nephrectomy.

Nursing Staff.

Medical College of South Carolina.

Medical University of South Carolina. Medical University Hospital.

Subject (Names):

Artz, Curtis P. (Curtis Price), 1915-1977

Ashley, William R., 1944-1973

Derrick, Fletcher C., 1933-

Fitts, Charles T., 1932-2008

Graber, Charles D., 1917-1996.

Hargest, Thomas S., 1925-2014

Harvin, James Shand, 1929-1991

Martin, Lloyd L., 1920-2013

Othersen, H. Biemann (Henry Biemann), 1930-

Williams, Arthur V., 1919-2007

Subject (Genre):

Oral histories.

Interviews.

Summary: Lloyd L. Martin began his long career in the medical field when he served as a combat medic in World War II. Between 1950 and 1964, Mr. Martin was stationed at a number of Army facilities including Brooke General Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Texas; Fitzsimmons Army Hospital, Denver, Colorado; the U.S. Army Hospital in Munich, Germany; and the Fort Sam Houston Burn Center. It was during his time at the Burn Center that Mr. Martin met and worked for Curtis P. Artz, M.D. When Dr. Artz moved to the University of Texas at Galveston in 1964, Mr. Martin went with him to supervise Dr. Artz's surgical research laboratory. Dr. Artz then recruited Mr. Martin to the Medical College of South Carolina in 1966 to run his surgical laboratory. Mr. Martin served as Director of the Department of Surgery's Surgical Research Laboratories for fifteen years. His duties consisted of maintaining laboratory equipment and supplies and training laboratory technicians. Mr. Martin also served as chief organ preservation technologist for MUSC's Renal Transplant Program beginning in 1971 until 1980. Mr. Martin retired from MUSC in 1984.

In addition to describing his military career, Mr. Martin describes how he came to work for Dr. Artz at the University of Texas. He recalls transferring to the Medical College of South Carolina and his role in reestablishing Dr. Artz's laboratory there. Mr. Martin describes how he became involved in the kidney transplant, what he did the day of the operation, and his working relationship with Tom Hargest.

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