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Title: H. Biemann Othersen, Jr., MD, Interview by Brooke Fox, 6 May 2009

Interviewer: Fox, Brooke

Interviewee: Othersen, H. Biemann, Jr., MD

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Subject (Names): Othersen, H. Biemann (Henry Biemann), 1930-

Colbert, James W., Jr., \$d 1920-1974.

McCord, William M. (William Mellon), 1907-1996.

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Summary:

Dr. H. Biemann Othersen, Jr., was chief of pediatric surgery during Dr. James W. Colbert's tenure as Vice President for Academic Affairs. In his interview Dr.

Othersen discusses the establishment of the Vice President position. He recalls his impressions of Dr. Colbert as well as his personal interactions with him. He talks about Dr. Colbert's role in the settlement of the 1969 hospital workers strike. Dr. Othersen describes the impact of Dr. Colbert's untimely death on the university. Additionally Dr. Othersen discusses Dr. Colbert's legacy at MUSC.

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