Collection Guide
to the
Papers and Other Historical Materials
of
Jim Slattery

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Jim Slattery Biography

Jim Slattery was born to Charles and Rose O’Connell Slattery on August 4, 1948. He grew up in the farming community of Good Intent, Kansas in Atchison County. Slattery attended Atchison’s public schools and went to Maur Hill High School in Atchison, Kansas. After high school, Slattery attended Washburn University in Topeka, Kansas. During his undergraduate studies, he was selected to attend the Netherlands School of International Business and Economics for one year (1969). He graduated from Washburn with a B.S. in Political Science in 1970. He went on to earn his J.D. from Washburn University Law School in 1974. He worked in real estate and practiced law in Topeka after he was admitted to the Kansas bar in 1975.

Slattery served as a member of the Kansas House of Representatives from 1973-1979 and was elected Speaker Pro Tem in 1976. In 1982 he was elected to the 98th Congress and served in the US House of Representatives until 1995. After 5 terms, he chose not seek reelection, but instead returned to Kansas as the Democratic nominee for Governor. He was unsuccessful in his bid and lost to Republican Bill Graves. He then returned to Washington, D.C. and worked for the law firm Wiley Rein LLP.

In April of 2008, Jim Slattery announced his intention to enter the US Senate race against incumbent Pat Roberts.

For more information see the Kansas State Historical Society web page, [http://www.kshs.org/research/topics/politics/essay_congress.htm](http://www.kshs.org/research/topics/politics/essay_congress.htm) and “About Jim” on Slattery’s campaign website, [http://www.slatteryforsenate.com/about/jim/](http://www.slatteryforsenate.com/about/jim/).
Introduction to Jim Slattery Collection

In July of 1996, the Kansas State Historical Society received Jim Slattery’s papers and other historical materials. This collection is closed until January 1, 2010, and written permission from Jim Slattery will be required to access the collection until that time.

The Jim Slattery papers have been artificially divided into eleven series headings in order to enhance their research value. **House Floor Activities** are records pertaining to Slattery’s activities on the US House Floor. They include Voting Scores and Records; Sponsored and Co-sponsored Bills; and Speeches and Floor Statements.

**Correspondence** includes constituent or legislative mail or memoranda as well as form letters. **Reference Files** are compilations of information that could be useful or important to constituents, Slattery, and/or legislative action. This includes legislative files, issues/clippings, statistics and information on the 2\(^{nd}\) district, and general information.

**Calendars and Events** include schedules and accepted invitations. **Publications** encompass press releases, postal customer mailings, and columns. **Computing** consists of the systems/mail administration records and the backup tapes of the Slattery collection.

There are many **Photographs** in the collection, mostly of Jim Slattery or fellow Representatives. **Public Statements** consists primarily of speeches by Slattery that were not made on the House floor. The Collection also contains miscellaneous **Awards and Plaques** presented to Slattery. **Guest Books** are the record of visitors to Slattery’s Washington office. **Reports** are formal compilations of information and generally include recommendations for action. **New Member Materials** are orientation materials presented to Slattery upon his induction into the 98\(^{th}\) Congress.
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