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DANA AND MIAH BLACK ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW AND TRANSCRIPT, 2014

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

In 2014 the Indiana Historical Society began the Indiana LGBT Collecting Initiative to collect, preserve, and make accessible materials that document the rich history, tradition, and culture of Indiana's LGBT communities. Part of the collecting initiative includes the Indianapolis/Central Indiana LGBT Oral History Project. During the time period of 2014-2015, interviews were conducted of individuals, couples and families from all walks of life in Central Indiana area. This collection centers around the oral history interview of Dana and Miah Black conducted by Mark Lee in November 2014.

Dana Black (b. 1970) grew up in Indianapolis, Indiana. She has a BA and MBA in IT and works in IT. When she realized that her state representative (a Republican) was running unopposed, she ran against him for the Indiana House of Representatives in 2016 and received 34% of the vote. Miah Black (b. 1952) grew up in Indianapolis, Indiana. Miah has been married four times and has three children before coming out in her 50s. She operates a special needs adult care facility. Miah and Dana have been together since 2007 and were married in 2014. They were officially married in Hawaii, four days before gay marriage became legal in Indiana. They currently reside in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Sources:

Information found in the collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The interview was transcribed from one video recorded interview with Dana and Miah Black conducted in November 2014 by Mark Lee, lead project manager for the Indianapolis/Central Indiana LGBT Oral History Project. The interview, which includes the video recordings and transcripts, are housed at the William H. Smith Memorial Library, Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center, Indianapolis, Indiana.

The video recorded interviews are approximately two hours and fifteen minutes long and are recorded on 2 DVDs. The collection includes one folder with articles about Dana and Miah Black and two interview transcriptions.

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