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Summary Information

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Biographical / Historical

Fred (Frederick) Joseph Doocy was born on May 5, 1913 in Hartford, CT to Charles and Alice (Moore) Doocy. Fred grew up in East Hartford, graduating from East Hartford High School.

In 1931, Fred was hired as a runner for the East Hartford Trust Company. He soon joined the Hartford National Bank and Trust Company as a teller, and was head bookkeeper before the outbreak of World War II.
Fred married Mary O'Keefe in 1942. They raised five children together.

In 1942, Fred enlisted in the Air Force. He worked on the calibration and testing of the Norden bombsight and autopilot and completed a six month tour in Guam. Fred received a Bronze Star and was honorably discharged in 1945.

Following the war, Fred moved to South Windsor and continued working for the National Bank and Trust Company as assistant treasurer and vice president. He graduated from the Institute of Banking at Rutgers University in 1950.

Fred entered public service in South Windsor, serving as town treasurer for three terms. In 1958, he was elected to the Connecticut State Senate from the 4th District, the first of several terms (1958-1967). From 1963 to 1967, Fred was president pro tempore of the State Senate. In 1966, he was appointed as Connecticut's 77th lieutenant governor after Samuel J. Tedesco resigned, and he served through 1967.

After his term as lieutenant governor, Fred returned to banking, to which he dedicated the remainder of his career. He remained active in Democratic politics.

Fred lived in South Windsor for over five decades, later moving to Manchester. He passed away on December 17, 2017, at the age of 104.

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**Scope and Contents**

The Fred J. Doocy papers, 1945-2017, consist of materials documenting the life of Fred J. Doocy. The collection covers Doocy's career in banking, World War II service, and public service, including his terms as Connecticut state senator (1958-1967) and lieutenant governor (1966-1967). Doocy compiled the materials. Contents include photographs, ephemera and memorabilia, newspaper clippings, a scrapbook covering Doocy's public service, and Democratic state convention agendas and notes.

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**Administrative Information**

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- Politicians--Connecticut--Biography
- Connecticut
- Politics and government--Connecticut
- Memorabilia.
- Photographs
- Ephemera

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