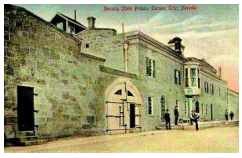
Nevada Executive Branch Agencies
Corrections, Department of
Prisons, Department of

Administrative History



Under the Territorial laws of Nevada enacted in 1861 the Board of Prison Commissioners was comprise

In 1864 Nevada became a state, and its Constitutions created the Board of State Prison Commissioners

Subsequent legislation in 1877 and 1893 gave the Board supervision of all matters connected with the S

The warden made an annual report to the Board during the first year, which later became a biennial repo

In 1977 the Governor appointed a Director, who headed the Department of Prisons, and he in turn appo

Inmate Case Files 1863-1972 444 c.f.
The Inmate File is a compilation of criminal history information and records of correctional supervision

Records Description Dates: 1863-1995 Volume: 467.8 cubic ft.

Reports 1864-1977 5 c.f.
Warden's monthly, annual and biennial reports, Superintendent's report on Nevada State Prison and

Prison Commissioner's Minutes 1934-1947; 1974-1986 8 volumes, 1 box = 2.3 c.f.
Minutes of the State Prison Commissioners Meetings. The Governor, the Secretary of State and the A

Prison Commission Records 1978-1993 1 c.f.

As de facto secretary of the Commission, the Secretary of State's file includes minutes, procedures, op

Isolation Prison Logs 1973-1978 11 volumes = 1.2 cubic ft.
The logs identify two isolation centers: the medium security at the Northern Nevada Correctional Cen

Medical Director's Files 1982-1995 12 c.f.
The Medical Director's Files are loosely arranged in alphabetical order i.e., according to names or top