



Finding Aid for

**PHILIP CALDWELL COLLECTION, 1980-1984
Accession 1890**

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SUMMARY INFORMATION

CREATOR: Caldwell, Philip

TITLE: Philip Caldwell collection

INCLUSIVE DATES: 1980-1984

QUANTITY: 0.4 cubic ft. and 2 oversize boxes

ABSTRACT: Memorabilia and photo albums from the office of Philip Caldwell, president, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Ford Motor Company, 1979-1984.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

ACCESS RESTRICTIONS: The collection is open for research.

ACQUISITION: Ford Motor Company Archives donation, 2005

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HISTORICAL NOTE/BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Philip Caldwell was born in Bourneville, Ohio in 1920 and grew up in South Charleston, Ohio. After attending local public schools, he graduated from Muskingum College in 1940 and Harvard Business School in 1942. Caldwell served in the U. S. Navy during World War II on the staff of the Pacific fleet command in Pearl Harbor. After the war, Caldwell worked as a civilian employee for the Department of the Navy. In 1953, he joined Ford Motor Company in the purchasing and planning operations of the Ford Division. Between 1953 and 1979, Caldwell worked in many areas of Ford's domestic and international operations including truck operations, Philco-Ford Corporation, North American Automotive Operations manufacturing, and Ford International Automotive Operations. Caldwell was elected Ford Motor Company vice chairman in April 1977 and deputy chief executive office in June 1978. He was appointed president and chief executive officer in October 1979 becoming the first non-Ford family member to lead the company. Caldwell was elected chairman of the board and chief executive officer in March 1980. He retired from Ford Motor Company in 1984.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Philip Caldwell collection consists of photographs and commemorative material presented to Caldwell. Included are photographs of his visit to the Ford Motor Company test track in Dearborn, Michigan in October 1984; a press conference during a tour of Ford's European operations in 1980; a commemorative album of Caldwell's tour of Ford's truck plant in Louisville, Kentucky; a commemorative album of the Ford Board of Directors European tour in 1984; and a commemorative album of Caldwell's tour of Ford's Asia-Pacific operations. The collection also includes a 1981 Presidential Inaugural Committee certificate of appreciation to Ford Motor Company. Of special interest is a boxed set of audio cassettes and written material from Caldwell's 1984 recording, *Lessons in Success and Leadership*. Researchers should note that photographs were removed from original photo albums for preservation purposes.

BOX AND FOLDER LISTING

Box no.	Description
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Box 1

Asia-Pacific Operations Tour Photographs, February 1982
Engineering Test Track Product Testing Photographs, October 1984
European Tour Press Conference Photographs, December 1980
Lessons on Leadership and Success, 1984 (sound recordings)
Presidential Inaugural Committee Certificate of Appreciation, April 1981

Box 2

Kentucky Truck Plant Photograph Album, Louisville, Kentucky, circa 1984

Box 3

Ford Motor Company Board of Directors European Tour Photograph Album, June 1984