

ORAL HISTORY COLLECTION

MAIN ENTRY: Cornell, Howard

DATE OF INTERVIEW: October 13, 2010

LOCATION OF INTERVIEW: Broomfield, Colorado

INTERVIEWER: Andy Wilkinson

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IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:

LENGTH OF INTERVIEW: Part A: 1 hour 34 min., Part B: 16 minutes,
Part C: 1 hour 20 min., Part D: 57 minutes

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: Howard Cornell was a policeman for many years before he retired. He talks about different situations and crimes he experienced from being a policeman in different communities throughout the United States.

ABSTRACT:

FILE

TIME STAMP

Part A

Career choices	0:00
Police work	
Marines	
JC Penney Manager	
Ogden, Utah rail center	
Ogden, Utah	0:10
Community	
Tourist stop	
Social and cultural diversity	
Tremonton, Utah police job	

Police Work	0:20
Leaving Tremonton	
Jay Hershey	
Crime Scene supervisor	
Recruiting	
College Experience	0:31
Financial issues	
Uniform allowance	
Hours of school	
Graduation	
Life after college	0:41
Teaching experience	
College advisor job	
Learning about Lakewood, Colorado	
Welfare Cafes	
Ogden Police Department	0:50
Crime and race	
Quitting police work	
Changes in communities	
Traffic regulation	
Police Experiences	1:00
Case Load	
Lakewood police	
Women in police work	
Female uniforms	
Lakewood Police Department	1:10
Male uniforms	
Police weapons	
Requirements to work	
Working traffic	
Other recollections	1:20
Traffic tickets	
Leaving Streamwood, Illinois	
Fireworks story	
“The trunk boys”	

Part B

Personal anecdotes	0:00
Rainbow story	
Crime prevention	
Bucky Fuller	

Part C

“Trunk boys”	0:00
Why they were called trunk boys	
Reason they had trunk open	
City councils view of scam	
“Round tabling”	
Streamwood, Illinois experiences	0:10
Personnel director	
Police fraud	
Good detectives	
Streamwood police work	0:20
Missing girl case	
Information not assessable for the case	
Dealing with the family	
The search continues	
Looking for a dead body	
Abduction theory	
Autopsy report	
Meeting with the family	0:30
Family’s reaction	
Cook County meetings and hearings	
Interviewing the family members	
Conducting loose surveillance	
Brother confesses to the murder	
Family deaths	
Reason for leaving	0:40
Turning over the investigation	
High officials going to prison for corruption	
Taking job as assistant chief	
Police department known for vice	
Corruption endemic	
Firings throughout the departments	

Corrupt policemen	0:50
Part time job	
Shooting dogs	
“Dirty cops”	
Corrupt policemen (cont.)	1:00
Tips from police	
Corrupt county police departments	
Insider trading	
Conflict of interest	
Vehicle offers	
Temptations in hard times	1:10
Terminally ill daughter	
Turning down offers	
Bribes	
Negotiating pay	
Part D	
Controversial topics	0:00
Marijuana legalization	
Views on abortion	
Smoking cigars/cigarettes	
Move to Broomfield, Colorado	
Important cases	0:10
Arrest of rapist	
Vehicular assault case	
Other memorable cases	0:21
Murder of Rita French	
Kids committing homicides	
Police duties	0:30
Story about family death	
To protect and serve	
Call to dispatch	
Highlights of police work	0:40
Lakewood police department	
Olga “Yogi” Mancuso	
Movies	

Other recollections

0:50

Moving from Broomfield to Lakewood

Amy Pound

Budget in schools

Interview ended

DATE OF BIRTH OF INFORMANT:

GENDER OF INFORMANT: Male

ETHNICITY OF INFORMANT: