

Interview History

INTERVIEWER: Andrew Gomez – Ph.D. student in UCLA’s History department with a specialization in United States working-class history.

TIME AND SETTING OF INTERVIEW:

Place: Interviewer's apartment in West Los Angeles

Total number of recorder hours: One hour

Persons present during interview: Andrew Gomez and Peter Olney

CONDUCT AND PROCESSING OF INTERVIEW:

This interview is part of the Service Employees International Union series. The interview was conducted in English.

Andrew Gomez prepared for the interview by reading Tom Waldman’s *Not Much Left: The Fate of Liberalism in America*, David Halle’s *New York & Los Angeles: Politics, Society, and Culture: A Comparative View*, Raphael Sonenshein’s *Politics in Black and White: Race and Power in Los Angeles*, Ruth Milkman’s *L.A. story: Immigrant Workers and the Future of the U.S. Labor Movement*, Lydia Savage’s *Justice for Janitors in Los Angeles* and various archival articles from the *Los Angeles Times*.

The interviewer compiled the table of contents and interview history and supplied the spellings of proper nouns and the complete names entered in brackets in the text. Peter Olney verified proper names, made a number of corrections and additions, and provided the biographical information at the front of the transcript.

The transcript of this interview is a verbatim transcript of the audio recording. It was transcribed by a professional transcribing agency using a list of proper names and specialized terminology supplied by the interviewer. The interviewee was then given the opportunity to review the transcript in order to supply the missing or misspelled names and to verify the accuracy of the contents, and those corrections were entered into the text without further editing or review on the part of the Center for Oral History Research (COHR) staff. In some cases the audio recording may differ slightly from the transcript, either because the transcriptionist did not accurately transcribe what was said or because of the changes the interviewee made at the time of their review.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Records relating to the interview are located in the office of the UCLA Library's Center for Oral History Research