

Northwest Arkansas Oral History Project  
 Pat Moran Interview Abstract  
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Interviewee	Pat Moran
Year of birth	1934
Place of birth	Smackover, Union County, Arkansas
Interviewer	Barbara Knotts
Interview date	2019-02-27
Interview location	Rogers Historical Museum; Rogers, Benton County, Arkansas
Keywords	<p>Moran, Pat          Moran, Myra Miles          Bumpers, Dale          Mills, Wilbur          Pryor, David          Knotts, Barbara          Batesville, Independence County, Arkansas          Smackover, Union County, Arkansas          Stone County, Arkansas          Arkansas Public Service Commission          Federal Trade Commission          University of Arkansas; Fayetteville, Arkansas          Arkansas state government          Education          Influenza Epidemic, 1918-1919          Military          Oil industry          Politics          Small town life          U.S. Army, GI Bill          United States Senate</p>
Description	<p>Fourth generation Arkansan, Pat Moran, shares stories from his personal and professional life. Born in 1934, he grew up in Smackover Arkansas, son of a life-long oil-field gang-pusher and a mother who lived through the 1918 flu epidemic. Moran recalls how living in the rich oil field area of El Dorado, Arkansas impacted the local schools and job opportunities.</p> <p>After two years at the University of Arkansas (Fayetteville), Moran joined the US Army at the end of the Korean Conflict. Moran discusses his US Army service, including the role the GI Bill played in his ability to return to the University. He received his law degree in 1961.</p> <p>In the years that followed, Moran served in public life at the local, state, and federal levels. A colleague of Wilbur Mills, Dale Bumpers, and David Pryor, the interview contains details of his running for elected office in Batesville AR, serving as prosecuting attorney in Stone County, working for the Federal Trade Commission, serving as administrative aide to the Arkansas</p>

	Governor and Senator, chairing the AR Public Service Commission, and practicing law in Little Rock and NWA. Now retired, Moran and his wife, Myra, are parents of four adult children and active members of the Rogers AR community.
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Interview sidebar	Wilbur Mills assisted Moran to get a position with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) in Washington DC. He remembers the changes that took place in 10 days. He went from participating in a hearing held in a furniture store in Mountain View, Arkansas to sitting at his desk at the FTC looking out the window to the National Archive with its verse 'The past is prologue.' [00:47:00]