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Key Terms

Subjects

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African American politicians
African American women
African Americans -- California
African Americans -- Civil rights
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Authors, Black
Discrimination in employment
Discrimination in housing

Names

Albrier, Frances Mary, 1898-1987
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Cox, Odessa, 1922Daly, E. A.
Dellums, C. L. (Cottrell Laurence)
Hall, Ira deVoyd
Pittman, Tarea Hall
Riles, Wilson C.
Rumford, William Byron, 1908-1986
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- v. 4 Bay Area Foundation History
 Features orators Milton Salkind, Edwin P. Stephenson, Caroline M. Charles, Arabella Martinez,
 Ira D. Hall, and Sam Yuen.
- v. 5 Cox, Odessa. "Challenging the Status Quo: The Twenty-Seven Year Campaign for Southwest Junior College"
- v. 6 Daly, E. A. "Alameda County Political Leader and Journalist"
- v. 7 Dellums, C. L. "International President of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Cars Porters and Civil Rights Leaders"
 - Gordon, Walter
- v. 8 "Athlete, Officer in Law Enforcement and Administration, Governor of the Virgin Islands"
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- v. 11 Riles, Wilson C. "No Adversary Situations: Public School Education in California and Wilson C. Riles, Superintendent of Public Instruction, 1970-1982"
- v. 12 Rumford, William Byron. "Legislator for Fair Employment, Fair Housing, and Public Health"