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## METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION

### An Inventory of the Subject Files of Hugh K. Schilling

#### OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

**Agency:** Minneapolis-Saint Paul Metropolitan Airports Commission.  
**Series Title:** Subject files of Hugh K. Schilling,  
**Dates:** 1969-1996 (bulk 1991-1993).  
**Quantity:** 0.7 cu. ft. (2 partial boxes).  
**Location:** See Detailed Description section for box locations.

#### SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE RECORDS

Subject files of Hugh K. Schilling, Metropolitan Airports Commission chair from January 1991 to September 1993. The majority of the files deal with revenue bonding, dual track airport planning, legislation, and relations with Northwest Airlines, particularly in relation to construction of its Hibbing/Duluth repair facilities (1990-1992, 1996), possible alliance with KLM Airlines (1993), and financing proposal (1991-1993). There are also files of concerned citizens' letters (1991-1992), materials relating to the Minnesota Advisory Council on Metropolitan Airport Planning (1988-1990), and a file documenting Governor Arne Carlson's termination of Schilling as commission chair (1993).

#### INDEX TERMS

*This collection is indexed under the following headings in the catalog of the Minnesota Historical Society. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.*

#### Topics:

Airplanes--Motors--Maintenance and repair.  
Airports--Law and legislation--Minnesota--Twin Cities Metropolitan Area.  
Airports--Location--Minnesota--Twin Cities Metropolitan Area.  
Airports--Minnesota--Hibbing.  
Airports--Minnesota--Twin Cities Metropolitan Area--Finance.  
Airports--Minnesota--Twin Cities Metropolitan Area--Planning.  
Planning.

Public investment--Minnesota--Twin Cities Metropolitan Area.

**Persons:**

Schilling, Hugh K.

**Organizations:**

Duluth International Airport (Minn.).

KLM (Airline).

Minnesota Advisory Council on Metropolitan Airport Planning.

Minnesota. Governor (1991- : Carlson).

Northwest Airlines, Inc.

**ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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## DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

*Note to Researchers: To request materials, please note both the location and box number shown below. Each file consists of one folder unless specified otherwise.*

<b>Location</b>	<b>Box</b>	
105.G.12.2F	1	<p>Airport planning, 1969-1988. Airport Planning Task Force, [ca. 1992]. Bonding files, 1991-1992. 12 folders. Bond Issue, Merged documents, 1991. Executive Venture Capital Corporation, 1991. Faegre &amp; Benson (bond counsel), 1991-1992. Go Bond Issue, 1992. KPMG Peat Marwik, 1991. Airport consulting service hired to evaluate a program of financing for Northwest Airlines, and to prepare a feasibility study for the issuance of bonds by the Commission. Folder includes their final report. MAC Taxable General Obligation Revenue Bonds, 1992. Northwest Airlines Financing Update, Consultants and Advisors, July 1991. Oppenheimer, Wolff &amp; Donnelly, 1991-1992. Plaskett, Thomas, 1992. A consultant brought in to monitor Northwest Airlines' performance, after the Commission committed to providing funds to expand and develop Northwest Airline's Minnesota interests. Price Waterhouse (financial consultant), 1992. Sprinsted (financial advisor), 1991. Underwriters Bond Issues, 1992. Commissioners' lists, 1990, 1993-1994. Concerned citizens letters, 1991-1992. 2 folders. Conflict of interest issues, 1991. Dual track airport planning, 1991-1993.</p>

<b>Location</b>	<b>Box</b>	
103.H.14.8F	2	<p>Hibbing/Duluth Northwest Airlines repair facilities, 1990-1992, 1996. 8 folders.</p> <p>Contains information relating to the Metropolitan Airports Commission's (MAC) role in funding Northwest Airlines' repair facilities in Hibbing and Duluth, including correspondence and the Appellants' Reply Brief in a case filed against the MAC and Northwest Airlines, relating to bonds used to finance the facilities (June 1992, Court of Appeals C2-92-734). The remaining files are made up of correspondence and reports concerning the use of minority contractors to build the facilities.</p> <p>A-320 Heavy Maintenance Facility, 1990. Airbus facilities, 1991. Duluth Aircraft Maintenance Facility/Hibbing Engine Repair Facility, 1991-1992. Issues, 1991, 1992. 2 folders. Lease Agreement Policy Covenants between Duluth and Northwest Airlines, 1996. Legislature, Hibbing/Duluth Act, undated. Overhaul Base, 1991-1992. Hub Airport Case Studies, January 1990. Interagency Task Force, 1991-1992. 2 folders. Northwest Airlines, 1992. State of Minnesota, 1991. KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, 1993. Contains correspondence and a news article concerning an alliance with Northwest Airlines.</p> <p>Legislative Commission on Planning and Fiscal Policy (LCPFP): Subcommittee on Northwest Airlines, 1991. 2 folders. Press conference, October 1991. Statement of Hugh K. Schilling and MAC press release entitled "Airports Commission, Northwest Airlines Break Off Negotiations for Duluth, Hibbing Aircraft Maintenance Facilities." Senator William P. Luther, LCPFP Chairman, Correspondence, October 1991. Legislature, 1989-1993, 1996. 3 folders Maki, Wilbur: Correspondence, 1996. Marketing plan/results, January 1991. Media releases, 1991.</p>

<b>Location</b>	<b>Box</b>	
103.H.14.8F	2	<p>Minnesota Advisory Council on Metropolitan Airport Planning, 1988-1990.</p> <p>Contains presentations made by the MAC, the charge and membership information of this state advisory council, information on the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport Noise Compatibility Program, and correspondence and reports concerning a new major airport.</p> <p>Northwest Airlines' Financing Proposal files, 1991-1993. 15 folders.</p> <p>Accounts Receivable Balance, December 11, 1991.</p> <p>Background and Status Report (revised), October 23, 1991.</p> <p>Confidentiality Agreement, 1991.</p> <p>Collateral Proposal/MAC Financing, November 5, 1991.</p> <p>Collateral Value and Property, 1991.</p> <p>Financial analysis, 1992.</p> <p>Financial information, 1992-1993.</p> <p>Financing counsel information, 1991.</p> <p>Financing Proposal, October 10, 1991.</p> <p>Joint Financing correspondence, April 1991.</p> <p>Negotiation Issues Update, October 11, 1991.</p> <p>Negotiations: How to Enhance Collateral Through a Residual Value Insurance Policy, November 1991.</p> <p>Status Report, October 16, 1991.</p> <p>Talking Points Northwest Airlines/MAC Financing, November 8, 1991.</p> <p>Update, October 24, 1991.</p> <p>Passenger Facility Charge Lawsuit, 1992.</p> <p>Schilling: End of position, 1993.</p> <p>Includes a press release, statement of termination, and correspondence concerning Hugh Schilling's termination as Chairman of the MAC on the insistence of Governor Carlson.</p> <p>Special Commission meeting, May 8, 1991.</p> <p>Summary of Proposed Amendments for Airline Asset Purchase/Leaseback, May 8, 1991.</p>