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LAWRENCE FAIR HOUSING ORDINANCE  
50th ANNIVERSARY ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

Interview of Richard & Barbara Dulin

February 20, 2017

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2 **MR. ARNOLD:** Today is February 20th, 2017. I  
3 am local historian Tom Arnold interviewing  
4 Reverend Richard Dulin and his wife, Mrs. Barbara  
5 Dulin, via telephone for the City of Lawrence Fair  
6 Housing Ordinance 50th Anniversary Oral History  
7 Project.

8 At the time the ordinance passed in July,  
9 1967, Reverend Dulin was the chairman of the  
10 Lawrence Fair Housing Coordinating Committee.

11 Reverend and Mrs. Dulin, before we begin the  
12 interview I just want to confirm that you are both  
13 aware that I am recording this telephone interview  
14 and have your permissions to do so.

15 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

16 **MRS. DULIN:** Yes.

17 (15:04:31)

18 **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay, thank you. I would like  
19 to start off by asking you both to share a little  
20 bit about your backgrounds and what brought you to  
21 Lawrence in the 1960s.

22 **REVEREND DULIN:** I'm trying to collect my  
23 thoughts. (indiscernible)

24 **MR. ARNOLD:** The audio is not really coming  
25 through. Could the phone be held up a little bit

1 closer to Reverend Dulin.

2 **MRS. DULIN:** Okay.

3 **REVEREND DULIN:** I have had a lot of  
4 experiences in race relations. (indiscernible)

5 I had an experience (indiscernible) with a  
6 demonstration when I was in seminary  
7 (indiscernible) Nashville, sit-in.

8 **MRS. DULIN:** This is Barbara.

9 **MR. ARNOLD:** Yes.

10 **MRS. DULIN:** Helping Dick to get through all  
11 this. Can you hear me?

12 **MR. ARNOLD:** Yes, I can.

13 **MRS. DULIN:** Okay. He was born in Kansas  
14 City and his family and his mother and his father  
15 were Kansans and then they moved to Texas and he  
16 went to the junior high and high school in Dallas,  
17 he went to TCU and got his B.A. there, and then he  
18 moved to Vanderbilt Divinity School and he  
19 graduated in 1960, which is a big day where all  
20 the sit-ins and (indiscernible) his classmates, so  
21 all that started with his seminary.

22 Then he graduated and he went to Tempe,  
23 Arizona, and then Texas A & M and then Denton,  
24 Texas, at North Texas and Texas Women's  
25 University. He was being a campus minister for

1 all those jobs and he was, we were work, he was  
2 working in Denton and then things, all the  
3 churches were blowing up with the pastors in the  
4 churches through all that period and finally JFK,  
5 the President, was killed just 30 minutes away  
6 from us, and so finally the big problem was that  
7 the Christian churches that we were involved with  
8 were blowing up and so he decided he would go to  
9 United Church of Christ and they asked for a job  
10 for campus minister and K.U. asked him to come and  
11 so he was on the staff at Plymouth Congregational  
12 there and he was on a floating ministry that went  
13 into the campus and so that's why we came to  
14 Lawrence, and so that's where we are at this  
15 point.

16 **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay.

17 **MRS. DULIN:** And now you can go a little  
18 farther if you want to Dick.

19 (15:09:23)

20 **MR. ARNOLD:** Sure. And then I'd just like to  
21 ask, so when you arrived in Lawrence how did you  
22 find the racial atmosphere in the city of Lawrence  
23 to be at that time?

24 **REVEREND DULIN:** I really didn't find much  
25 conflict (indiscernible) civil rights.

1 (inaudible) There wasn't any conflict that I was  
2 aware of.

3 (15:09:59)

4 **MR. ARNOLD:** So Lawrence at that time was a  
5 fairly peaceful city? Was discrimination against  
6 African-Americans obvious at that time?

7 **REVEREND DULIN:** (indiscernible) I'm just  
8 saying that I was not aware of any conflict except  
9 in the housing area.

10 (15:10:30)

11 **MR. ARNOLD:** What --

12 **REVEREND DULIN:** When I was at TCU there was  
13 a white, completely white group and so K.U. saw a  
14 different complexion through the sports program  
15 and the growing black population.

16 (15:11:08)

17 **MR. ARNOLD:** Why did you decide, Reverend  
18 Dulin, to get involved with fair housing issues at  
19 that time?

20 **REVEREND DULIN:** It kind of pursued me.

21 (15:11:21)

22 **MR. ARNOLD:** So you were asked to become the  
23 chairman of the Fair Housing Coordinating  
24 Committee, or at least initially a member of the  
25 committee?

1           **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes, I was a member of the  
2 committee, appointed by the campus ministry group.

3           (15:11:56)

4           **MR. ARNOLD:** Can you tell me a little bit  
5 about what the committee was trying to accomplish?

6           **REVEREND DULIN:** They were trying to provide  
7 fair housing to students enrolled in the college  
8 (indiscernible) graduate students and their  
9 families.

10          (15:12:31)

11          **MR. ARNOLD:** So at that time they were  
12 subject to housing discrimination and you got  
13 involved to try and address that?

14          **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

15          (15:12:42)

16          **MR. ARNOLD:** And do you recall how you became  
17 the chairman of the coordinating committee?

18          **REVEREND DULIN:** No.

19          **MR. ARNOLD:** Do you remember any of the other  
20 people who were involved? Does anyone stand out  
21 in your mind who were also on the committee with  
22 you?

23          **REVEREND DULIN:** I remember one person who  
24 was on the committee. She was the director of the  
25 YMCA at the university and her support was

1 critical, but I can't remember her name. [Rev.  
 2 Dulin is probably referring to Mrs. Anne Moore.  
 3 She was a known member of the Fair Housing  
 4 Coordinating Committee in 1966, and her husband  
 5 Tom Moore was the Director of the University of  
 6 Kansas YMCA].

7 (15:13:39)

8 **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay. Well, I think we can look  
 9 that up. Thank you.

10 Do you remember why the committee chose in  
 11 early 1967 to go to the City Human Relations  
 12 Commission to ask for a fair housing ordinance?

13 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes. It was an urgent  
 14 appeal because black students and African students  
 15 and students from Hawaii and all over the globe  
 16 were seeking good housing close to campus.

17 (15:14:53)

18 **MR. ARNOLD:** And when you appeared before the  
 19 Human Relations Commission in January, 1967, did  
 20 they seem very receptive to the proposal for fair  
 21 housing?

22 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

23 (15:15:11)

24 **MR. ARNOLD:** And from looking at historical  
 25 material it appears that the Fair Housing

1 Coordinating Committee that you were the chairman  
2 of worked very closely with the Human Relations  
3 Commission to draft the ordinance. Is that  
4 correct?

5 **REVEREND DULIN:** As far as I'm aware I think  
6 that was (indiscernible) the proposal by the Human  
7 Relations Committee.

8 (15:15:58)

9 **MR. ARNOLD:** And were you and the members of  
10 your committee confident that the City Commission  
11 would be receptive to a fair housing ordinance?

12 **REVEREND DULIN:** I didn't have any  
13 preconceived notions but really just had immediate  
14 reactions in the community, individual students,  
15 who were impacted, and they figured fair housing  
16 was necessary to take care of the problem.

17 (15:17:14)

18 **MR. ARNOLD:** So it sounds as if many people  
19 recognized that this was a problem that needed to  
20 be addressed?

21 **REVEREND DULIN:** That's right.

22 (15:17:23)

23 **MR. ARNOLD:** Now, one thing we found  
24 interesting was at the time the Human Relations  
25 Commission was drafting the ordinance the Fair



1 Housing Committee that you were the chairman of  
2 went out and conducted a signature campaign and  
3 collected over a thousand signatures from people  
4 in support of fair housing. Do you recall that  
5 signature campaign?

6 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

7 (15:17:49)

8 **MR. ARNOLD:** Do you remember whose idea that  
9 was to do that?

10 **REVEREND DULIN:** No, I don't think so.

11 **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay.

12 **REVEREND DULIN:** I can't recall.

13 (15:18:05)

14 **MR. ARNOLD:** Were you surprised at how many  
15 signatures you obtained? Because over a thousand  
16 signatures was very significant considering the  
17 size of Lawrence at that time. Did that surprise  
18 you that that many people were supportive?

19 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes, very much. It was  
20 obvious that there was a great need for such a  
21 committee.

22 (15:18:32)

23 **MR. ARNOLD:** The one thing I wanted to ask  
24 you about was the support of the churches. Much  
25 of the research we have done and other people I

1 have interviewed indicated that a large number of  
2 Lawrence churches were very supportive of fair  
3 housing and trying to create this ordinance. Did  
4 you find that to be the case? Were your fellow  
5 clergymen very supportive and fellow churches very  
6 supportive?

7 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes, but not, but not the  
8 realtors.

9 (15:19:07)

10 **MR. ARNOLD:** Right. The realtors appeared to  
11 be the only people who were in opposition. Would  
12 you say the support of the churches was a very  
13 important element in getting the ordinance passed  
14 by the City Commission?

15 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

16 (15:19:25)

17 **MR. ARNOLD:** Do you remember any fellow  
18 clergymen who were involved in this effort that  
19 you worked with?

20 **REVEREND DULIN:** No, except for one other  
21 campus minister, who became the chairman of the  
22 Fair Housing Ordinance [Committee] shortly after  
23 establishing it.

24 (15:19:57)

25 **MR. ARNOLD:** Do you remember his name?

1           **REVEREND DULIN:** No, I can't remember his  
2 name, but I remember he was Presbyterian.

3           (15:20:06)

4           **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay. Was there any controversy  
5 within your church about some people being  
6 socially active as you were or was all the  
7 membership of the church very supportive, all the  
8 congregation?

9           **REVEREND DULIN:** Well, I think that this kind  
10 of issue would run a hard road to solution, with  
11 the church support this was necessary, but there  
12 was conflict within the congregations. They made  
13 trouble for the realtors and some other people.

14          (15:21:07)

15          **MR. ARNOLD:** Do you remember working also  
16 with members of the black churches in favor of  
17 fair housing?

18          **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

19          (15:21:24)

20          **MR. ARNOLD:** Would you say that cooperation  
21 was very good between your church and some of the  
22 black churches in working issues like this?

23          **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes, particularly my church,  
24 which was United Church of Christ.

25          (15:21:43)

1           **MR. ARNOLD:** Right. Can you think of any  
2 other churches specifically that were involved,  
3 either white or black churches?

4           **REVEREND DULIN:** Well, most of the churches  
5 had a positive reaction to a Fair Housing  
6 Ordinance.

7           (15:22:16)

8           **MR. ARNOLD:** Good. And I wanted to ask you  
9 about in May, 1967, when the City Commission was  
10 considering the Fair Housing Ordinance, you  
11 appeared before the commission and said you had  
12 the signatures of 23 clergymen from throughout  
13 Lawrence who were all in support. Do you remember  
14 obtaining those signatures and that support from  
15 other clergymen?

16           **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

17           (15:22:41)

18           **MR. ARNOLD:** And do you think that was an  
19 important consideration for the City Commission in  
20 passing the ordinance?

21           **REVEREND DULIN:** I'm sure it had a great deal  
22 of importance to the committee to have the  
23 churches line up behind it.

24           (15:23:08)

25           **MR. ARNOLD:** Good. And also the university,

1       some, the university vice chancellor and  
2       basketball coach Ted Owens wrote letters in  
3       support of fair housing to the City Commission.  
4       Do you think that was also important in positively  
5       influencing them?

6               **REVEREND DULIN:** Oh, definitely. That was  
7       very important, because the basketball program  
8       there (indiscernible) long-term relation to the  
9       college.

10              (15:23:59)

11             **MR. ARNOLD:** I don't know if you remember a  
12       gentleman named Fred Six. He was a local attorney  
13       and was a member of the Human Relations Commission  
14       and he did much of the drafting of the Fair  
15       Housing Ordinance, but do you recall if members of  
16       your committee worked with him in drafting the  
17       ordinance?

18             **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

19              (15:24:22)

20             **MR. ARNOLD:** Do you remember a law professor  
21       named Robert Casad? He was a member of your  
22       committee and also helped in doing research.

23             **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes, of course.

24              (15:24:35)

25             **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay. Was he very helpful in

1 the process of developing the ordinance?

2 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

3 (15:24:44)

4 **MR. ARNOLD:** Were there any other people who  
5 you can think of off the top of your head who  
6 played an important role?

7 **REVEREND DULIN:** I just remember a few.

8 (15:25:02)

9 **MR. ARNOLD:** Right. I know it's been 50  
10 years, which is a long time. Do you remember  
11 Glenn Kappelman, who was a local realtor but who  
12 was very much in favor of fair housing?

13 **REVEREND DULIN:** Do I remember? Yes, he was  
14 one of the positive realtors who supported the  
15 housing ordinance right after, right off the bat,  
16 and that was a great help.

17 (15:25:40)

18 **MR. ARNOLD:** Good. And I know many people at  
19 the university supported fair housing and many of  
20 the churches did, but would you say it was also  
21 important to have people like Glenn Kappelman,  
22 local businessmen, who were standing up in favor  
23 of fair housing? Did that help influence many  
24 local people that this was something that needed  
25 to be done?

1           **REVEREND DULIN:** I'm sure it did.

2           (15:26:10)

3           **MR. ARNOLD:** Now I think it was in April,  
4           1967, when the Fair Housing Ordinance was  
5           initially presented to the City Commission. Did  
6           the City Commission seem receptive to the idea of  
7           a fair housing ordinance?

8           **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

9           (15:26:28)

10          **MR. ARNOLD:** Were you surprised that they  
11          were receptive and that they eventually passed the  
12          ordinance or did you expect that to happen?

13          **REVEREND DULIN:** I think that they had such a  
14          level of support from the community that it was  
15          almost inevitable that the City Council would have  
16          voted for it.

17          (15:27:06).

18          **MR. ARNOLD:** There was one commissioner who  
19          voted against it. Do you remember what his  
20          objections were, or do you remember what the real  
21          estate community's objections were?

22          **REVEREND DULIN:** They felt that that was an  
23          interference with what the community tried to do  
24          and they were opposed this interference from  
25          outside the committee.

1 (15:27:55)

2 **MR. ARNOLD:** A couple of people I have  
3 interviewed have suggested that there were some  
4 real estate agents who actually welcomed the fair  
5 housing law. They thought fair housing was the  
6 right thing to do but they were afraid to speak  
7 out in support of it because they thought it might  
8 hurt their business. Do you think that was true,  
9 that some of them actually were supportive but  
10 just couldn't say so publicly?

11 **REVEREND DULIN:** That's true. Course, Glenn  
12 Kappelman was one of the, outspoken supporter of  
13 the commission.

14 (15:28:46)

15 **MR. ARNOLD:** Yes, I think -- go ahead.

16 **REVEREND DULIN:** What?

17 **MR. ARNOLD:** I said I think he played, many  
18 people have said he played a very important role  
19 because he was a member of the real estate  
20 community. Did he work closely with your  
21 committee to try to help promote fair housing?

22 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

23 (indiscernible)

24 (15:29:20)

25 **MR. ARNOLD:** Reverend Dulin, can you tell me



1 a little bit more about what you personally did as  
2 chairman of the fair housing committee, what types  
3 of duties you had and what some of your ideas were  
4 that you remember?

5 **REVEREND DULIN:** I was conscious of the  
6 chamber to support Fair Housing Commission.

7 (15:30:13)

8 **MR. ARNOLD:** I know there were many local  
9 community groups that were in support of fair  
10 housing and many of them had members on your  
11 committee, the League of Women Voters, Church  
12 Women United, the NAACP. Was it difficult for you  
13 as the chairman to bring all those groups together  
14 or was their support very strong and it made your  
15 job easier?

16 **REVEREND DULIN:** Their reaction was very  
17 strong in favor of the commission and we got a lot  
18 of help from those people particularly League of  
19 Women Voters, NAACP and the Church Women United,  
20 and all, all the others that you mentioned.

21 (15:31:21)

22 **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay, good. I just want to ask  
23 you about some people who were involved with those  
24 groups. Do you remember Dorothy Harvey, an  
25 African-American woman who was the president of

1 Church Women United?

2 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes. Yes.

3 (15:31:36)

4 **MR. ARNOLD:** And also a gentleman named Jesse  
5 Milan, who was an African-American teacher in the  
6 Lawrence schools? He was the president of the  
7 NAACP. Was their support very important?

8 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

9 (15:31:51)

10 **MR. ARNOLD:** And do you remember working with  
11 them on this issue?

12 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

13 (15:32:01)

14 **MR. ARNOLD:** Tell me a little bit about how  
15 you worked with the leaders of these other  
16 organizations.

17 **REVEREND DULIN:** What was that?

18 **MR. ARNOLD:** Can you tell me a little bit  
19 about how you worked with those people, the  
20 leaders of these other organizations? Did they  
21 attend your meetings? Did you have individual  
22 discussions with them? Do you remember how you  
23 coordinated with those groups?

24 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes. It was necessary to  
25 support these groups.

1 (15:33:03)

2 **MR. ARNOLD:** I wanted to ask you, in February  
3 of 1967 as the Human Relations Commission was  
4 starting to work on the Fair Housing Ordinance,  
5 preparing it to send up to the City Commission,  
6 your committee submitted a several page long  
7 position paper on fair housing which had your  
8 signature on it. Did you draft that or did you  
9 have members of your committee work together to  
10 draft that, do you remember?

11 **REVEREND DULIN:** I remember participating on  
12 that, working out the language and the issues and  
13 how it would be spread around the community.

14 (15:33:57)

15 **MR. ARNOLD:** Do you remember any other people  
16 who worked with you on that paper? Was Robert  
17 Casad, the law professor, one of the ones who  
18 assisted with that?

19 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

20 (15:34:12)

21 **MR. ARNOLD:** And then also at the City  
22 Commission hearings in which fair housing was  
23 discussed, in which the ordinance was discussed,  
24 large numbers of people turned out to speak on  
25 behalf of fair housing. Did you arrange for all

1 those speakers to come or did many of them just  
2 hear about it and came on their own?

3 **REVEREND DULIN:** They were voluntary that  
4 supported the fair housing commission [committee]  
5 and I worked with a lot of those people.

6 (15:35:14)

7 **MR. ARNOLD:** And when the city held its  
8 hearing in which the, to hear the opposing views  
9 the only people who showed up were I think one  
10 real estate agent and a lawyer for the real estate  
11 agents. Were you surprised that there was no  
12 other opposition or did you think that really at  
13 that point very few people were opposed?

14 **REVEREND DULIN:** I think that I believed that  
15 the ordinance was fair, in sync with the  
16 committee.

17 (15:36:08)

18 **MR. ARNOLD:** So I take it, then, that you  
19 were very pleased that there was not very much  
20 opposition other than just from the narrow group  
21 of real estate agents?

22 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

23 (15:36:20)

24 **MR. ARNOLD:** And do you think that helped  
25 influence the City Commission to pass it, because

1 so many people spoke in favor and only a very  
2 narrow group spoke in opposition?

3 **REVEREND DULIN:** That's right.

4 (15:36:34)

5 **MR. ARNOLD:** Now, how would you characterize  
6 the position of some of, I'll describe it as maybe  
7 the city establishment, people like the local  
8 newspaper? Were they supportive or did they have  
9 doubts? I know your committee published several  
10 articles in the paper in favor of fair housing.  
11 Was the newspaper happy to run those or do you  
12 think they were a bit more reluctant?

13 **REVEREND DULIN:** They were happy.

14 (15:37:03)

15 **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay, that's good. And I spoke  
16 to, I don't know whether you remember Richard and  
17 Phyllis Sapp. He was a law -- he was, I'm sorry,  
18 a biology professor at K.U. but he said he  
19 arranged for all those articles to be written as a  
20 member of your committee. Do you remember that?

21 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

22 (15:37:30)

23 **MR. ARNOLD:** So it sounds like you had some  
24 very active support within your committee to help  
25 you push the ordinance forward.

1           **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

2                   (15:37:49)

3           **MR. ARNOLD:** And I also noted that, in  
4 looking at the membership of your committee, many  
5 of them were affiliated with the university but  
6 there were also clergymen and some local  
7 businessmen. Were you happy that you had a fairly  
8 good cross section of the community on your fair  
9 housing committee?

10           **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes, of course.

11                   (15:38:11)

12           **MR. ARNOLD:** And do you think that helped  
13 obtain the broad support across the community for  
14 passing the ordinance?

15           **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

16                   (15:38:23)

17           **MR. ARNOLD:** And did the City Commission seem  
18 to recognize that fact and that helped influence  
19 them?

20           **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

21                   (15:38:37)

22           **MR. ARNOLD:** Now, once the ordinance passed  
23 in July, 1967, obviously things didn't change  
24 overnight, but did you have a positive feeling  
25 that the ordinance would eventually bring about

1 positive change?

2 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

3 (15:38:54)

4 **MR. ARNOLD:** Did you see any of that while  
5 you were still here in Lawrence? Did students  
6 have an easier time obtaining housing close to  
7 campus?

8 **REVEREND DULIN:** No. I was too short of  
9 people who supported the commission and it was in  
10 the dog days of August that things began to get  
11 going.

12 (15:39:49)

13 **MR. ARNOLD:** So change did not come right  
14 away, even after the ordinance was passed?

15 **REVEREND DULIN:** That's right.

16 (15:39:57)

17 **MR. ARNOLD:** Now, were you still in Lawrence  
18 when some of the violence erupted in the late  
19 1960s on campus and in the city?

20 **REVEREND DULIN:** No, I wasn't.

21 (15:40:08)

22 **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay, when did you leave  
23 Lawrence, do you recall?

24 **REVEREND DULIN:** In --

25 **MRS. DULIN:** (Inaudible)

1           **REVEREND DULIN:** In, it was August, '67.

2           (15:40:29)

3           **MR. ARNOLD:** Oh, so you left almost  
4 immediately after the ordinance passed?

5           **REVEREND DULIN:** That's right.

6           (15:40:34)

7           **MR. ARNOLD:** Now, did your role in that  
8 process influence your decision to leave? Did  
9 anyone, were there any people who had hard  
10 feelings about what you had done or was it just  
11 career considerations that led you to depart?

12           **REVEREND DULIN:** I think probably it had a  
13 part of a mix.

14           (inaudible)

15           Yes.

16           **MRS. MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT DULIN CLYATT:** W  
17 e're going to pass this on to Mom.

18           (15:41:13)

19           **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay.

20           **MRS. DULIN:** He's done pretty well, don't you  
21 think?

22           **MR. ARNOLD:** He's done wonderfully, and the  
23 information we are getting is very useful. This  
24 is -- he's filling in some blanks that we weren't  
25 able to get from other people so this is really



1 wonderful.

2           **MRS. DULIN:** Oh, that's good. There was,  
3 there were just basic problems that I was not  
4 involved with but he realized there was something  
5 going on with the campus ministers and it was, and  
6 the churches, and I don't think it was connected  
7 with fair housing and they all of a sudden decided  
8 they were going to eliminate all of the four  
9 campus ministers and Dad was the youngest one that  
10 came into the thing and he tried to find a job as  
11 a campus minister through the U.C.C. [United  
12 Church of Christ] where he used to be but there  
13 was nothing ready at that point and so there was a  
14 church in Massachusetts that wanted him and so we  
15 had to move quickly, because we didn't have any  
16 choice.

17           (15:42:43)

18           **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay.

19           **MRS. DULIN:** There were things happening at,  
20 in the campus and there was a lot of things around  
21 (indiscernible) the town that is always under the  
22 surface and churches were not, you know, our  
23 churches were white and you had the black churches  
24 by themselves and south of us were the Indians, so  
25 it was a family that, I mean, the Lawrence family

1        thing is that they were taking care of each other  
2        but they had never integrated and, really, and it  
3        took this joy here in Wilmington at this point in  
4        our lives to have neighbors and friends of all  
5        races, it's just lovely here.

6                (15:43:39)

7                **MR. ARNOLD:** Good.

8                **MRS. DULIN:** But the big thing was that there  
9        was a lot of tension going through all of this and  
10       they wouldn't seek it out, it was just coming very  
11       slowly.

12               (15:43:56)

13               **MR. ARNOLD:** Right. Yes, I wondered if even  
14       if it wasn't Reverend Dulin's direct role in  
15       playing such a visible role in fair housing that  
16       created pressure to leave, but I know some of the  
17       people that I have interviewed suggested that  
18       there was even maybe within the church community  
19       some of the more conservative members were  
20       becoming unhappy with the active role that some of  
21       the ministers and even other church members were  
22       taking in pursuing social action issues and I  
23       wondered if maybe just that kind of general  
24       opposition may have influenced it.

25               **MRS. DULIN:** The whole country was like that,

1 and the other part was where we were from in Texas  
2 it was open, you know, it wasn't under the surface  
3 and it was a real fight between churches and  
4 schools and all kinds of things, but Lawrence was  
5 not doing that that much and so it was a relief  
6 for us when we came into it (indiscernible) so you  
7 were able to get a fair housing bill.

8 (15:45:17)

9 **MR. ARNOLD:** Right. Now, --

10 **MRS. DULIN:** I think that people were doing  
11 pretty well considering all that was there.

12 **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** Tom, this is  
13 Elaine.

14 **MR. ARNOLD:** Yes.

15 **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** I want to jump in  
16 a little bit. There's always a town-gown kind of  
17 conflict in Lawrence.

18 **MR. ARNOLD:** Right, absolutely.

19 **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** And I think that  
20 at that particular point the churches were  
21 becoming more and more nervous about the unrest on  
22 campus.

23 **MR. ARNOLD:** Right.

24 **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** And for whatever  
25 reason deciding to discontinue the campus

1 appointments from the different churches that were  
2 involved happened about then, so we were caught up  
3 in that.

4 **MR. ARNOLD:** Sure.

5 **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** We were caught in  
6 the churches being really nervous about the  
7 conflict that was increasing on campus.

8 (15:46:05)

9 **MR. ARNOLD:** Right. And of course that  
10 conflict would continue to build until really in  
11 1969 and 1970 it actually broke out into, you  
12 know, violence in Lawrence, which was occurring  
13 all over the country, but --

14 **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** Right.

15 (indiscernible)

16 **MRS. DULIN:** (indiscernible)

17 **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** Yes. We stayed  
18 very tied in to Lawrence and Dad was actually the  
19 chaplain for the Midwestern Music and Art Camp for  
20 years.

21 **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay.

22 **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** We kind of stayed  
23 in contact with the Lawrence area, and of course I  
24 went back to school there, my husband was born  
25 there. I mean, we have deep roots in the Lawrence

1 area.

2 (15:46:51)

3 **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay, very good. Yes, one thing  
4 I wanted to ask, you know, Reverend Dulin had  
5 mentioned that when you all came to Lawrence you  
6 really didn't see too much open conflict, but I  
7 assume the discrimination against  
8 African-Americans in Lawrence was pretty apparent  
9 from everything we have researched and read about.  
10 You know, there was segregation in, not just in  
11 housing but also issues with employment and to  
12 some extent issues with access to things like  
13 swimming pools. Was that kind of segregation  
14 obvious or was it a little bit more subtle in  
15 Lawrence than say it had maybe been in Texas or  
16 other parts of the south?

17 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes, I think that it was not  
18 quite as rampant, but there were incidents of  
19 violence that needed to be (indiscernible) and I  
20 got involved in that.

21 (15:48:13)

22 **MR. ARNOLD:** Did you get involved at all,  
23 Reverend Dulin, in the swimming pool issue? As  
24 early as 1960 there had been protests over the  
25 fact that African-Americans couldn't get into the

1 local private swimming pool and then it wasn't  
2 until late 1967 that the city finally passed a  
3 bond to build a public swimming pool, an  
4 integrated public swimming pool, but there were  
5 several years of struggle over the swimming pool  
6 issue. Do you recall? Were you involved in that?

7 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

8 **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** Well, Dad, you may  
9 recall it, but we moved to Lawrence in '64.

10 (15:48:56)

11 **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay, right. Were there any  
12 other incidents during the time that you were here  
13 in Lawrence? I know, Reverend Dulin, you were  
14 very involved in fair housing. Were there other  
15 social issues that you were involved in or other  
16 incidents that you remember that you got involved  
17 in trying to address?

18 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes. There were items on  
19 the, in the community that would need your  
20 attention, people who objected to the  
21 appropriateness of the conflict.

22 (15:50:20)

23 **MR. ARNOLD:** How would you characterize the  
24 environment on campus as far as opportunities for  
25 African-American students and their treatment at

1 K.U.? Were there many problems on the campus?

2 **REVEREND DULIN:** To my knowledge there were  
3 some problems but I didn't see an outbreak.

4 (15:51:05)

5 **MR. ARNOLD:** So at least at that time they  
6 weren't serious issues on the campus? One thing  
7 many people have told us in interviews is a lot of  
8 the violence that eventually took place on the  
9 campuses, that it's difficult to look at it in  
10 isolation as being related to racial issues but a  
11 lot of it also was anti-war, anti-Vietnam issues  
12 as well.

13 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

14 (15:51:32)

15 **MR. ARNOLD:** But at least up until the time  
16 you left the campus it was fairly peaceful, would  
17 you say?

18 **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes.

19 (15:51:45)

20 **MR. ARNOLD:** Where did you all live when you  
21 were in Lawrence? And was your neighborhood  
22 segregated?

23 **REVEREND DULIN:** No.

24 (indiscernible)

25 **REVEREND DULIN:** No.

1           **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** Remember where we  
2 lived?

3           **REVEREND DULIN:** Yes, we lived on --

4           **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** Princeton  
5 Boulevard.

6           **REVEREND DULIN:** Princeton Boulevard?

7           **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** Yes.

8           **REVEREND DULIN:** Princeton Boulevard, and  
9 then (indiscernible).

10          **MRS. DULIN:** We moved from the, from, we  
11 built a house on Princeton Boulevard, the first  
12 one, way back when it was so far away from the  
13 campus we were spending a lot of gas going back  
14 and forth, so we moved to Sunset (indiscernible),  
15 2019 Sunset Drive, where (indiscernible) go to  
16 school and to the campus and so we were there  
17 (indiscernible) the time.

18           (15:52:54)

19          **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay, and I assume that  
20 neighborhood where you lived was an all-white  
21 neighborhood. Did you ever have discussions with  
22 your neighbors about how they felt about  
23 segregated housing and whether they would be happy  
24 having African-Americans move into the  
25 neighborhood?



1           **MRS. DULIN:** No, because where we were were  
2 all usually professors and grad students and I had  
3 a piano studio and most of my students were from  
4 the law school, I had about 20 to 28 students  
5 there, and we were very close to the elementary  
6 school there and so people could walk from the  
7 school to my house, (inaudible) but most of it  
8 just was, most of the church, at the church and in  
9 the studio were connected to the university and  
10 completely white. I don't think, there was no  
11 African families in, at our church and so it was  
12 really more of a white community but it was  
13 connected with professors who were very, very busy  
14 with their families and (indiscernible), but we  
15 didn't really talk about this with our neighbors  
16 that I would think about, but I just, I don't  
17 remember.

18           (15:54:36)

19           **MR. ARNOLD:** Right.

20           **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** My best friend at  
21 Hillcrest -- was it Hillcrest Grade School? Yes.  
22 Was a young woman who was adopted who was Native  
23 American and I saw her suffer all kinds of  
24 discrimination all the time.

25           (15:54:57)

1           **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay.

2           **MRS. DULIN:** (indiscernible) she would, when  
3 we were there that didn't happen.

4           **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** Yes, it did, mom.

5           **MRS. DULIN:** It did?

6           **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** I was there.

7           **MRS. DULIN:** Okay. She was one of my  
8 students, too.

9           **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay.

10          **MRS. DULIN:** I didn't know about this.

11                   (15:55:11)

12          **MR. ARNOLD:** Well, it's interesting, as we  
13 researched some of the groups that were involved  
14 in pushing for fair housing, the League of Women  
15 Voters, obviously the Fair Housing Coordinating  
16 Committee, but there was a very large university  
17 community presence in all these organizations.

18          **MRS. DULIN:** Right.

19          **MR. ARNOLD:** So the university and its  
20 community definitely played an important role in  
21 pushing for social change, but one interesting  
22 observation that Phyllis Sapp made when I  
23 interviewed her and her husband was that  
24 university people not only came from more diverse  
25 backgrounds but also they lived in a somewhat more

1 insulated community and therefore they could be in  
2 favor of change without having to worry too much  
3 about their job being put at risk or their friends  
4 ostracizing them. Did you find that to be true?

5 **MRS. DULIN:** Yes, yes, that's pretty good.  
6 That's Phyllis.

7 (15:56:15)

8 **MR. ARNOLD:** Yes, whereas if you were a local  
9 businessman who maybe favored fair housing if you  
10 spoke out publicly you could lose customers, you  
11 could have friends who would ostracize you, so  
12 they were taking a bigger risk, people like Glenn  
13 Kappelman, who was the realtor, and Dick Raney,  
14 who was then the mayor and was very much in favor  
15 of fair housing but he was a drug store owner.

16 **REVEREND DULIN:** I remember that.

17 (15:56:49)

18 **MR. ARNOLD:** Well, we are getting close to  
19 the one-hour point and I know I have taken up a  
20 lot of your time so I don't want to take this on  
21 too much longer, and you have been very helpful in  
22 sharing some information, but I just wanted to  
23 give you, Reverend Dulin and Mrs. Dulin, the  
24 opportunity, if there's anything we haven't talked  
25 about that you think is important to share, is

1           there anything else you can think of that you'd  
2           like to share with me that I haven't asked about?

3           **MRS. DULIN:** You might put Elaine's name on  
4           your tape here.

5           **MR. ARNOLD:** Yes, I --

6           **MRS. DULIN:** Her name was Elaine Dulin  
7           Clyatt. The Clyatts were big members of the  
8           Methodist Church downtown and so all of that is  
9           connected with all of our history, but we enjoyed  
10          being in Lawrence, we just would not want, we  
11          didn't want to leave, but it was really a  
12          wonderful place to be and so that's why I think  
13          that all of us came back so many times.

14          **MR. ARNOLD:** Right.

15          **MRS. DULIN:** We still have relatives, Elaine,  
16          her husband's aunt and so we still have  
17          connections there. I still enjoy all the people  
18          that were there, it's just lovely.

19                   (15:58:20)

20          **MR. ARNOLD:** Lawrence is still a wonderful  
21          town. I've lived here for about 11 years and of  
22          course those of us who are relative newcomers look  
23          at Lawrence as a very progressive university town,  
24          and of course it has its free state history, but I  
25          don't think many people, if you weren't around at

1 that time, realize how segregated Lawrence was in  
2 the 1940s, '50s, and '60s, and often are shocked  
3 to hear about it.

4 **MRS. DULIN:** Well, I'm sure that's true.

5 (15:58:55)

6 **MR. ARNOLD:** I will be sending you all what  
7 are called release forms, actually the city will  
8 probably be sending them to you, Scott Wagner, who  
9 I'm working with at the city, but to have you sign  
10 those forms, which just gives the city permission  
11 to use this interview for promoting fair housing,  
12 and also we are going to archive the interviews at  
13 the Spencer Research Library at K.U., so he'll  
14 have a form for each of you to sign, and then we  
15 are also going to transcribe the interview, and I  
16 will make sure the transcriptionist knows everyone  
17 who spoke, including you, Elaine, and I appreciate  
18 your perspectives as well.

19 Is there anything else you can think of?

20 **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** Is it possible for  
21 us to get a copy of that transcription?

22 **MR. ARNOLD:** Yes, absolutely. I can e-mail  
23 it to you. I'll be reviewing it after she sees  
24 it, and I can also try to e-mail you an audio file  
25 if it's not too large, or I can send you a copy of

1 the audio file on a thumb drive or a disk or  
2 something.

3 **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** Yes, that would be  
4 great.

5 **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay.

6 **MRS. ELAINE DULIN CLYATT:** Dad has 13  
7 grandchildren and I just would like to share it  
8 with them.

9 **MR. ARNOLD:** Yes, I think that would be  
10 wonderful, so I will definitely make sure that you  
11 get copies of both the transcript and the audio  
12 file.

13 **MRS. DULIN:** God bless you, Tom, for doing  
14 this. It is a beautiful thing for us.

15 **MR. ARNOLD:** Well, thank you for  
16 participating. You know, Reverend Dulin's name  
17 came up in almost every one of my interviews for  
18 the important role he played and I think that the  
19 historical record wouldn't be complete without  
20 getting his perspective, so I thank all of you,  
21 and him in particular, very much for  
22 participating.

23 **REVEREND DULIN:** Thank you very much.

24 **MR. ARNOLD:** Okay. Thank you, sir, and  
25 thanks again for what you did for Lawrence in your

1 short time here.

2 **MRS. DULIN:** Thank you, Tom.

3 **MR. ARNOLD:** All right, thank you.

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