

# **Guide to A Long Way from Home: The Untold Story of Baseball's Desegregation digital archive**

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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** YCAL MSS 1249

**CREATOR:** González, Gaspar, 1968- , author

**TITLE:** *A Long Way from Home: The Untold Story of Baseball's Desegregation* digital archive

**DATES:** 2017-2020

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 94 Computer Files (25 GB)

**LANGUAGE:** English (Latin script); Spanish; Castilian

**SUMMARY:** The digital archive consists of born-digital audio files and publicity materials relating to the production of the 2018 documentary *A Long way from home: the untold story of baseball's desegregation*.

**ONLINE FINDING AID:** To cite or bookmark this finding aid, please use the following link: <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/beinecke.longway>

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Gaspar González, 2018.

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### Conditions Governing Access

This collection is open for access. Digital files: Restricted fragile material. Access copies of digital files may be requested. Consult Access Services for further information.

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### Conditions Governing Access

Unedited (raw) interviews are restricted until January 1, 2034.

## Conditions Governing Use

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## Preferred Citation

A Long Way from Home: The Untold Story of Baseball's Desegregation digital archive. Yale Collection of American Literature, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

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## Processing Information

This digital-only collection was processed to a preliminary level in 2020. Preliminary processing included listing of material and uniting transcripts with interviews. Otherwise, materials in folders have not been sorted.

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## Biographical / Historical

Gaspar González (1968- ) is an independent scholar, journalist, and award-winning documentary filmmaker who earned his PhD in American Studies from Yale University in 1999. He directed, produced, and co-wrote *A Long Way from Home: The Untold Story of Baseball's Desegregation*. Matthew Frye Jacobson (1958- ), a writer and historian, is the William Robertson Coe Professor of American Studies and History at Yale University. He served as a creator, co-writer, and lead researcher for the documentary.

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## Content Description

*A Long Way from Home: The Untold Story of Baseball's Desegregation* (2018) chronicles the struggles of pioneering Black and Latino baseball players who followed Jackie Robinson into white professional baseball. The digital archive consists of raw and edited audio interviews, transcripts, interview releases, and a media kit containing film stills and other documentation related to the documentary.

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## Arrangement

Organized into two series: I. Audio interviews. II. Supporting materials.

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## Collection Contents

### Series I. Audio interviews, 2018–2020

67 Computer Files (25 GB)

#### Index of interviews

2019-ycal-0030-0001a

1 Computer File (14.2 KB)

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#### Amy Bass, Matthew Frye Jacobson, Jonathan Holloway

(Edited) Amy Bass, Matthew Frye Jacobson, Jonathan Holloway

2019-ycal-0030-0001b

1 Computer File (1.47 GB)

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Transcript

2019-ycal-0030-0001c

1 Computer File (76.3 KB)

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Restricted: (Raw) Amy Bass, Matthew Frye Jacobson, Jonathan Holloway

2019-ycal-0030-0001d

5 Computer Files (1.79 GB)

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#### Adrian Burgos, Jr.

(Edited) Adrian Burgos, Jr.

2019-ycal-0030-0001e

1 Computer File (835 MB)

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Transcript

2019-ycal-0030-0001f

1 Computer File (75.8 KB)

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Restricted: (Raw) Adrian Burgos, Jr.

2019-ycal-0030-0001g

15 Computer Files (732 MB)

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#### Enos Cabell

Enos Cabell (continued)

(Edited) Enos Cabell  
2019-ycal-0030-0001h  
*1 Computer File (864 MB)*

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Transcript  
2019-ycal-0030-0001i  
*1 Computer File (81.0 KB)*

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Restricted: (Raw) Enos Cabell  
2019-ycal-0030-0001j  
*3 Computer Files (1.36 GB)*

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Orlando Cepeda

(Edited) Orlando Cepeda  
2019-ycal-0030-0001k  
*1 Computer File (1.32 GB)*  
Spanish; Castilian

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Restricted: (Raw) Orlando Cepeda  
2019-ycal-0030-0001l  
*6 Computer Files (3.79 GB)*  
Spanish; Castilian

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James (Mudcat) Grant

(Edited) James (Mudcat) Grant  
2019-ycal-0030-0001m  
*1 Computer File (1.43 GB)*

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Transcript  
2019-ycal-0030-0001n  
*1 Computer File (123 KB)*

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Ferguson Jenkins

Ferguson Jenkins (continued)

Restricted: (Raw) Ferguson Jenkins  
2019-ycal-0030-0001o  
*1 Computer File (735 MB)*

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Transcript  
2019-ycal-0030-0001p  
*1 Computer File (69.6 KB)*

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Grover (Deacon) Jones

(Edited) Grover (Deacon) Jones  
2019-ycal-0030-0001q  
*1 Computer File (0.98 GB)*

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Transcript  
2019-ycal-0030-0001r  
*1 Computer File (77.4 KB)*

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Restricted: (Raw) Grover (Deacon) Jones  
2019-ycal-0030-0001s  
*4 Computer Files (1.56 GB)*

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Orlando Peña, Octavio (Cookie) Rojas, Tony Pérez

(Edited) Orlando Peña, Octavio (Cookie) Rojas, Tony Pérez  
2019-ycal-0030-0001t  
*1 Computer File (1.28 GB)*  
Spanish; Castilian

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Transcript  
2019-ycal-0030-0001u  
*1 Computer File (44.7 KB)*

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Orlando Peña, Octavio (Cookie) Rojas, Tony Pérez (continued)

Restricted: (Raw) Orlando Peña, Octavio (Cookie) Rojas, Tony Pérez  
2019-ycal-0030-0001v  
3 *Computer Files* (1.3 GB)  
Spanish; Castilian

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J. R. Richard

(Edited) J. R. Richard  
2019-ycal-0030-0001w  
1 *Computer File* (798 MB)

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Transcript  
2019-ycal-0030-0001x  
1 *Computer File* (67.1 KB)

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Restricted: (Raw) J. R. Richard  
2019-ycal-0030-0001y  
5 *Computer Files* (1.22 GB)

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Bobby Tolan, Jimmy Wynn

(Edited) Bobby Tolan, Jimmy Wynn  
2019-ycal-0030-0001z  
1 *Computer File* (1.42 GB)

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Transcript  
2019-ycal-0030-0001aa  
1 *Computer File* (128 KB)

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Restricted: (Raw) Bobby Tolan, Jimmy Wynn  
2019-ycal-0030-0001bb  
6 *Computer Files* (2.20 GB)

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## **Series II. Supporting materials, 2017–2018**

*27 Computer Files (13.31 MB)*

Interview releases

2019-ycal-0030-0001cc

*16 Computer Files (9.11 MB)*

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Media kit

2019-ycal-0030-0001dd

*11 Computer Files (4.13 MB)*

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## **Selected Search Terms**

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### **Subjects**

African American athletes--Biography.  
African American baseball players.  
Baseball--United States--History--20th century.  
Bass, Amy  
Burgos, Adrian, Jr., 1969-  
Cabell, Enos  
Cepeda, Orlando  
Civil Rights--History--United States.  
Discrimination in sports--United States.  
Grant, James (Mudcat)  
Hispanic American athletes--Biography.  
Hispanic American baseball players  
Holloway, Jonathan Scott  
Jenkins, Ferguson, 1942-  
Jones, Grover (Deacon)  
Latino baseball players.  
Peña, Orlando  
Pérez, Tony, 1942-  
Racism in sports--United States--20th century.  
Racism--United States--20th century.  
Richard, J. R., 1950-  
Rojas, Octavio (Cookie)  
Segregation--United States--History--20th century.  
Tolan, Bobby  
Wynn, Jimmy, 1942-

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