

## Karen White Gibson Collection

An inventory of papers at the Midwest Nursing History Research Center, College of Nursing, University of Illinois at Chicago.

### Overview of the Collection

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| <b>Repository:</b>     | MNHRC, CON, University of Illinois at Chicago |
| <b>Creator:</b>        |   |
| <b>Title:</b>          | Karen White Gibson Collection                 |
| <b>Dates:</b>          |   |
| <b>Quantity:</b>       | 0.83 linear feet                              |
| <b>Identification:</b> | <i>KWG</i>                                    |
| <b>Language:</b>       | English.                                      |

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### Biographical Sketch

In 1975, Karen White Gibson (1936- ) was the first nurse to open an independent nursing practice in Illinois. Gibson was born in Chicago, IL, and attended the Mount Sinai Hospital Medical Center Chicago School of Nursing. In 1973 Gibson and her colleague Joy Catterson opened an Independent Nursing Practice in a Chicago suburb, in addition to their regular work as hospital nurses. Following their dismissal from the hospital because they held another position, Gibson and Catterson filed a sexual discrimination complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. This was settled out of court.

### Scope and Contents

Newspaper clippings, biographical information, depositions taken in 1978 regarding the discrimination complaint, and co-authored book, *Nurses on Our Own*.

### Some items in this collection may be restricted

#### Box 1

Folder 1: Biography

Folder 2: Graduation school picture, Mt. Sinai Hospital SON August 1967

Folder 3: KWG Pictures

Folder 4: Newspaper clippings re. independent practice, c 1974

Folder 5: Federal Register re. nurses in private practice E4331 8.1.1975

Folder 6: Newspaper clippings Chicago Sun Times re. nurses in private practice 4.2.1978

Folder 7: Brochures for Registered Professional Nurses, PC

Folder 8: Deposition Maxine Deufel 5.30.1978

Folder 9: Deposition Glenda Lee Bacon 5.30.1978

Folder 10: Deposition Elayne O'Hallaren 6.22.1978

Folder 11: Deposition Marcia J. Catterson 1978

Folder 12: Deposition Out of court settlement reached with hospital 11.23.1978

Folder 13: KWG Amusement Park Nursing

Folder 14: KWG correspondence with St. Martin Press re.book

Folder 15: American Nursing News Midwest 7.21.1980

Folder 16: KWG ms for book "On Our Own" Part a

Folder 17: KWG ms for book "On Our Own." Part b

Folder 18: The book "On Our Own," by KWG, Joy Smith Catterson, RN, Patricia Skalka. 1981

## **Box 2**

Folder 1: Book Reviews

Folder 2: KWG American Nursing News re. book and TV rights c1981

Folder 3: Economist newspaper 6.17.81

Folder 4: People Magazine 11.9.1981

Folder 5: Parade Magazine, 5.17.81

Folder 6: Home Health Care Update Spring 1983

Folder 7: Milwaukee Sentinel 9.20.1986

Folder 8: Pediatric Nursing Symposium May 6-8 1982

Folder 9: News clipping Times-Picayune 4.21.1989

Folder 10: Outstanding Businesswoman of the Year 5.26.1982

Folder 11: National Association of Women Business Owners-Chicago Chapter April 1983

Folder 12: Chicago Area Small Business Award 12.6.1984

Folder 13: Today's Woman 3.3.1985

Folder 14: Business Person of the Month 11. 1989

Folder 15: Amendment to HB 2174, Nurse Agency Licensing Act 6.20. 1989

Folder 16: Correspondence re. private practice, 1974-195

Folder 17: KWG Author, The Nurse Entrepreneur

Folder 18: Photocopied KWG Nursing column Lansing IL