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Armistead L. Boothe

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## Biographical/Historical Information

Armistead Lloyd Boothe (1907-1990), member of the House of Delegates and of the Senate of Virginia, was born in Alexandria, Virginia, the son of Gardner Lloyd Boothe and Eleanor Harrison Carr Boothe. He attended the University of Virginia and was selected as a Rhodes Scholar and spent two years studying law at Oxford University. On 30 June 1934 he married Elizabeth Revenel Peele. In 1947 he won election to represent Alexandria in the House of Delegates. Boothe was a supporter of racial desegregation and recommended that Virginia gradually dismantle the state's legal code of segregation. In 1955 he was elected to represent Alexandria in the Senate of Virginia. In 1966, Boothe ran against Harry F. Byrd, Jr. in the Democratic primary for the United States Senate but lost by a narrow margin. He retired from active political life in 1969 and devoted the remainder of his career to church work.

## Scope and Content Information

This collection consists of a speech delivered by Armistead L. Boothe, Representative from Alexandria, to the Virginia House of Delegates on 2 December 1955, regarding grants for public schools.