Louis Anemone Papers

Summary:

Title: Louis Anemone Papers
Dates: 1966-2004
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Biographical Note:

Louis Anemone was a thirty-four year veteran of the NYPD (1964-1999). He first rose to prominence within the NYPD when as Deputy Chief, he was named as director of disorder control training by Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly in 1993. In the wake of the Crown Heights Riots of 1991, Kelly determined that the NYPD had been inadequately prepared to handle riot situations and wanted new strategies to be developed. Anemone set up training sessions for police officers and also began introducing new equipment such as lightweight riot shields. Police Commissioner William Bratton promoted Anemone to Chief of Patrol in 1994. By 1995 Anemone was appointed as Chief of Department, the third highest ranking official within the NYPD. Anemone was characterized as having an aggressive style who tolerated use of force by police, such as in the highly publicized case of Officer Livoti’s strangulation of Anthony Baez. (Gonzalez. J. (1999) Police Reform Needed at Top. Daily News.) He worked closely with Deputy Commissioner Jack Maple, who is credited with the creation of CompStat, a computerized crime statistics program that pinpoints crime patterns in New York City’s neighborhoods. Anemone and Maple held meetings twice a week with commanding officers of precincts to review crime statistics and police activity levels based on CompStat model. The strong emphasis on accountability for crime and the questioning of precinct commanders was hard-hitting and could be adversarial at times. (Gilsinan, K. & Stepan, A.

Anemone’s resignation from the NYPD in June 1999 surprised many and caused speculation on why the sudden decision was made. It was suggested that a personality clash between Anemone and Commissioner Safir caused the departure, which both Anemone and Safir denied. (Cooper, 1999).

After leaving the NYPD, Anemone went on to establish a consulting firm and worked in this capacity for a number of police departments in U.S. cities such as Baltimore, Los Angeles, New Orleans and Boston. He also served as a member of the Board of Advisors

References
*New York Times.*

(Gilsinan, K. & Stepan, A. NYPD and Compstat in *From Compstat to Gov 2.0: Big Data in New York City Management.*

Scope and Contents Note:

The Anemone Papers are comprised of reports, manuals, memoranda, minutes of CompStat meetings, and publications. Since the memoranda are often in association with the reports they have been kept together. Publications have been separated from the papers to be catalogued items for the library. The papers are organized chronologically and arranged into four series:

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Items of particular importance are the documents related to the events following the July 1977 blackout in New York City; the introduction of the stun device in 1985; the Tompkins Square Park incident of 1988; a report following the Crown Heights, Brooklyn (71st Precinct) incident of 1991, and a mission and objective statement of the Disorder Control Team of 1993.

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10: Firearms Discharge Investigation Manual (photocopy), ca. 1999
Publications

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17. 6/11/1998 NYPD, Citywide Security Assessment Plan [stamped ‘confidential]
19. 5/1999 NYPD Intelligence Division. Police Commissioner’s Briefing: Gangs. [stamped ‘Confidential’]
24. (no date) NYPD. Managing the Use of Force in the NYPD: Training-Analysis-Review
27. (no date) NYPD. Operation Pressure Point: Common Street Offenses.

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