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An Interview with Robert Watson

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This interview with Robert Watson covers the history of Lewis and Clark Community College and his experiences as a long time trustee. Robert Watson was interviewed on the date listed below as part of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library's *Education is Key-Community College* Oral History project.

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**Biographical Information Overview of Interview:** Robert Watson was born in Jerseyville, Illinois in 1937. He graduated from the Illinois Braille and Sight Saving School in Jacksonville, Illinois in 1957. He earned a bachelor of science degree from Milliken University in 1960 and a juris doctorate degree from the University of Illinois in 1963. He has practiced law since 1973 and has been a sole practitioner since 1972. He has been a Trustee of Lewis and Clark Community College in Godfrey, Illinois for over 30 years. The role of a college trustee, and the growth of the college and its unique programs are discussed in detail.

**Subject Headings/Key Words:** History of Lewis and Clark Community College; duties of a college trustee; utilization of an existing campus at Monticello, Illinois; curriculum at Lewis and Clark Community College

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