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An Interview with Max McGee

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Dr. Glenn “Max” McGee, *Agriculture in Illinois*, AI-A-L-2011-011

Biographical Information Overview of Interview: Dr. Glenn “Max” McGee was born in Chicago on October 6th, 1950. He graduated from Lyons Township High School in 1965 and Dartmouth College in 1968. He taught from 1972-81 in Detroit Country Day School and in Darien. He served as principal in Darien (1981-1986) and served as Superintendent of Schools for Aptakisic-Tripp School District #102 (1986-1991) and for Deerfield School District # 109 (1991-1998). In 1998, he became State Superintendent of Schools, as position he held through 2001. Later, he became Superintendent of Wilmette School District # 39. Since 2007 he has been CEO of the Illinois Math and Science Academy in Aurora, IL. Dr. McGee discussed in depth many of the issues and challenges associated with school consolidation in Illinois.

Subject Headings/Key Words: State Board of Education, school reorganization, school district models, 1985 school reform package, General Assembly, school construction, unit-dual school districts, obstacles/ incentives for school reorganization, State Superintendent of Schools, school reorganization legislation

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