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Attorney involved with Capital Citizens Council during Little Rock, Arkansas, school integration crisis, 1957-59.

DESCRIPTION: Interview #1. Helping to establish segregationist organizations in Little Rock: White America Incorporated; Capital Citizens Council. The organized opposition to segregation of Little Rock Central High School. The 1957 crisis: Council pressure on Governor Orval Faubus through newspaper advertisements; role of James Karam as the Council's intermediary with Faubus; role of Faubus. Establishing a private high school for the 1958-59 school year, and re-opening of the public school in 1959. Position of Congressman Brooks Hays. General observations on the civil rights movements of the 1950's and the 1960's.

[Columbia Oral History Project interview by John Luter, 1971]