

Follow up to the webinar
“The Presidential Records Act in the Age of Twitter”
Held June 2, 2020

A question was asked in the webinar regarding whether or not Tweets were going into the Public Papers of the President.

To follow up with a question, GPO received the following information from the Office of the Federal Register, National Archives and Records Administration:

“Tweets are not included in the two publications produced by the Office of the Federal Register called the Daily Compilation of Presidential Documents (DCPD) and the Public Papers of the President (PPP). The regulation (1 CFR Part 10) that establishes both the DCPD and the PPP states that those publications consist of “transcripts or text issued by the Office of the White House Press Secretary. Because we do not receive the tweets from the Office of the White House Press Secretary, they are not included in either the DCPD or the PPP.

As a side note, the DCPD and the PPP are not related to the Presidential Records Act, which deals with other kinds of Presidential records and is administered by another office in the National Archives and Records Administration.”

To clarify what is meant by “another office” above:

“The Office of Presidential Libraries is responsible <https://www.archives.gov/presidential-libraries/about/office.html>. More information about the Presidential Libraries is at <https://www.archives.gov/presidential-libraries>.”