

Interview with Government Employee

MR: Um, I started out after leaving school, I started out working at the Montserrat Boat Authority as a tele-clerk but I only spent three weeks on that job because it really wasn't what I really liked. Journalism was my life, my fortune. So, I spent 15 years consecutively working at Radio Antilles. I don't know if you've heard of it but it was the most powerful radio station in the western hemisphere.

DS: Oh.

MR: We were transmitting on 230,000 watts on both medium wave and FM.

DS: What did you do there? Did you do radio?

MR: I was working in the news department and when, when the Radio Antilles actually was halted because the transmitting site was destroyed by the volcano it was, ah, located in St. Patricks which is the southern, the southern most part of Montserrat. And when that went Radio Antilles was shut down in '95, late '95 and at that time I was the news director when, when the station closed.

DS: Then after that did you start working at the EOC?

MR: Well, I was a volunteer. Um, even when I was working at Radio Antilles I was a volunteer um, in the emergency department. Uh, when, whenever there is a disaster primarily hurricanes because as you know, we are located in the hurricane belt in, in the Eastern Caribbean so I used to volunteer my services before coming to the Emergency Department.

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