

POLITICAL COLLECTIONS

Special Collections & University Archives University of Illinois at Chicago

The Special Collections and University Archives department in the Richard J. Daley Library at the University of Illinois at Chicago is an important research center for the study of the rich and fascinating political history of Chicago, Cook County, and the State of Illinois. The archives contain the personal papers of prominent politicians and the records of influential political groups and organizations.

Mayors of Chicago

✓	Michael Anthony Bilandic Papers, 1923-2003 (85 ft.). 40th Mayor of Chicago (1976-1979).
✓	Richard J. Daley Collection, (1930s-1990s) , (700 ft.). 39th Mayor of Chicago (1955-1976).
✓	Martin H. Kennelly Papers, 1933-1955 (25 ft.). 38th Mayor of Chicago (1947-1955).

Chicago Office Holders and Public Officials

✓	Joanne Alter Papers, 1939-1952 (47 ft.) Commissioner of the Metropolitan Sanitary District .
✓	Earl Bush Papers 1954-1985 (5 ft.) Press secretary and political advisor for Mayor Richard J. Daley.
✓	Christopher B. Cohen Papers, 1944-2002 (52.5 ft.) 46th Ward Alderman (1971-1977).
✓	Wencel Hetman Papers, 1914-1965 (4.5 ft.) Republication 33rd Ward Committeeman (1920s).
✓	Burton Natarus Papers, 1933-2006 (47.5 ft.) Alderman for the 42nd Ward (1971-2007).
✓	Dick Simpson Papers, 1957-2000 (244 ft.) Alderman for the 44th Ward (1971-1979); professor of political science (1967-present).

Cook County Office Holders and Public Officials

✓	Carl Hansen Papers, 1951-2007 (300 ft.). Cook County Commissioner (1974-2006).
✓	Jack Jatis-Juozaitis Papers, 1940 -1968 (27 ft.) Democratic precinct captain; Clerk of the Cook County Court.
✓	David Orr Papers, 2013-2014 (1.5 ft.). 49th Ward Alderman (1979 to 1991); Interim Mayor of Chicago (1987); County Clerk of Cook County (1991-).
✓	Anthony J. Peraica Papers, 2002-2010 (160 ft.) Cook County Commissioner (2003-2010).
✓	Calvin R. Sutker Papers, 1961-2013 (8.0 ft.) Democratic committeeman of Niles Township (1973-2006); Illinois State Representative (1985-1991; Cook County Commissioner (1994-2002).

Government Agencies

✓	Forest Preserve District of Cook County Records, 1904-2011 (331.25 ft.).
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Illinois Office Holders and Public Officials

✓	Charles F. Armstrong Papers, 1958-1968 (2.5 ft.) Assistant State's Attorney for Cook County; Illinois House of Representatives (1958-1968).
✓	W. Russell Arrington Papers, 1965-1971 (3.2 ft.) Illinois State Representative (1945-1954); Illinois State Senator (1955-1967).
✓	Walker Butler Papers, 1921-1969 (19 ft.) Assistant State's Attorney of Cook County (1926-1932); Illinois Senator (1942-1953); Illinois Superior Court Judge (1953-1969).
✓	Joseph Logue De la Cour Papers, 1894-1967 (1.5 ft.) Illinois State Representative (1947-1962); Illinois State Senator (1947-1967).
✓	Bernard E. Epton Papers, 1960-1987 (.5 ft.) Illinois State Representative (1969-1982); unsuccessful candidate for Chicago mayor (1983).
✓	Alma Zola Groves Papers, 1943-1974 (11 ft.) Assistant Attorney General.
✓	Arthur Kaindl Papers, 1926-1962 (6.5 ft.) Illinois State Representative (1932-1958).
✓	Cecil Partee Papers, 1936-1992 (13 ft.) Illinois State Representative (1956-1976); State's Attorney for Cook County (1989-1990).
✓	Frank Ryan, Papers, 1930-1957 (1 ft.) Illinois State Representative (1914-1940); Illinois State Senator (1940-1956).
✓	Esther Saperstein Papers, 1949-1980 (100 ft.) Illinois State Representative (1956-1966); Illinois State Senator (1966-1975); Chicago Alderwoman (1975-1979).
✓	Grace Mary Stern Papers, 1968-1997 (10 ft.) Illinois State Representative (1984-1992); Illinois State Senator (1992-1994).
✓	Judy Baar Topinka Papers, 1980-2007 (16 ft.) Illinois State Representative (1980-1982); Illinois State Treasurer (1995-2007).



Judges	
✓	Mary Bartelme Papers , 1904-1958 (7.5 ft.)
✓	James Cartwright Papers , 1870-1924 (1 ft.).
✓	Helen Cirese Papers , 1915-1974 (4.5 ft.).
✓	Nancy Drew Sheehan Papers , 1966-1986 (6 ft.).
✓	Irwin N. Cohen Papers , 1954-1968 (3 ft.).
✓	Edmund K. Jarecki Papers , 1901-1966 (45 ft.).
✓	Abraham Lincoln Marovitz Papers , 1900-2001 (150 ft.).

United States Government Office Holders	
✓	Cardiss Collins Papers , 1970-1996 (330 ft.) U.S. Representative (1973-97).
✓	Walter J. Cummings Papers , 1919-1960 (4 ft.) Executive Assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury (1933-1934); first Chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (1933-1934).
✓	Charles Gates Dawes , 1856-1946 (400 Letters). U.S. Comptroller of the Currency (1897-1902); Vice President of the United States (1925-1929); U.S. Ambassador to Great Britain (1929-1931); Nobel Peace Prize winner (1925).
✓	Joseph M. Jacobs Collection of Rooseveltiana , (177.5 ft.). Collection of material related to Franklin D. Roosevelt.
✓	Edgar Allan Jonas Papers , 1918-1959 (6.5 ft.). Assistant State's Attorney of Cook County (1921-1923); Judge of the Municipal court of Chicago (1923-1937); Judge of the Superior Court of Cook County (1941-1942); U.S. Representative (1949-1955).
✓	Barratt O'Hara Papers , 1948-1968 (62 ft.). Lieutenant Governor of Illinois, (1913-1917); U.S. Representative (1948-1968).



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Political Organizations	
✓	Cook County Democratic Party Collection , 1937-1939 (.5 ft.)
✓	Cook County Socialist Party Records , 1913-1935 (1 ft.)
✓	Independent Democratic Coalition Records , 1952-1972 (8 ln. ft.)
✓	League of Women Voters of Chicago Collection , 1924 -- 2007 (60 ft.)
✓	League of Women Voters of Cook County Collection , 1923 -- 1984 (10 ft.)
✓	League of Women Voters of Illinois Collection , 1916 --1982 (37 ft.)
✓	League of Women Voters of Oak Park – River Forest Collection , 1909 - 1976 (1 ft.)
✓	New Chicago Ethics Committee Records , 1984-1987 (2 ft.)
✓	Citizens' Association of Chicago Collection , 1878-1938 (1 ft.).
✓	Illinois Women's Political Caucus Collection , 1974-1975 (.5 ft.)

Related Collections	
✓	Robert P. Crawford Collection , 1968-2001 (58 hours of taped material). Chicago broadcast journalist.
✓	Melvin G. Holli Papers , 1967-2005 (7 ft.). Professor and political history researcher in the Department of History at the University of Illinois at Chicago (1965-2003).
✓	Sidney T. Holzman Papers , 1898-1979 (1.25 ft.). Assistant to Cook County Judge Edmund K. Jarecki (1924-1952); Chairman of the Board of Election Commissioners of the City of Chicago (1952,1953, 1956, 1959, 1962).
✓	Russ Gilbert "New Left" Pamphlet Collection , 1943-1980 (11 ft.).
✓	Milton Rakove Collection , 1959-1983 (2 ft.). Political consultant and professor in the Department of Political Science at the University of Illinois at Chicago (1957-1983).

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