

Guide to the Anti-Defamation League Nevada Region Office Records

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Anti-Defamation League. Nevada Region Office
Title:	Anti-Defamation League Nevada Region Office Records
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Date [inclusive]:	2003 to 2019
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Physical Description:	0.92 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Anti-Defamation League Nevada Region Office Records (2003-2019) mainly contain photographs depicting Anti- Defamation League (ADL) Nevada Region Office events. The collection also includes a sign advertising ADL's "No Place For Hate" program; ARL's 2017 and 2018 gala, "Imagine a World Without Hate" programs and invitations; and 2018's Jurisprudence Luncheon invitation commemorating the achievements and contributions of Joe W. Brown.

Preferred Citation

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Historical Background

The Anti-Defamation League (ADL), founded in 1913 by B'nai B'rith, is "the nation's premier civil rights/human relations agency." ADL's presence in Las Vegas, Nevada originally consisted of an annual fundraising dinner held by the Los Angeles, California office. During the 1960s, the Las Vegas chapter of B'nai B'rith included an active ADL group chaired by Eileen Brookman and others. By the 1990s the official Nevada region office of ADL (independent of B'nai B'rith) was established in Las Vegas. Michael Cherry, Myrna Williams, Art Marshall, and Burton Cohen are

some of the individuals who played an instrumental role in establishing the Las Vegas chapter. The director of ADL's Nevada region office from 2007 to 2015 was Phyllis Friedman.

ADL uses information, education, legislation, and advocacy to fight anti-Semitism and all forms of bigotry, to defend democratic ideals, and to protect civil rights for all. It develops educational materials, training programs, and services for the general public, and also for government, media, law enforcement, and educators. The Las Vegas chapter is actively involved with the community as a whole, rather than focusing solely on Jewish issues. The local ADL works with law enforcement, LGBT groups, women's organizations, and public and private schools. In the late 1990s ADL's No Place For Hate anti-bullying program was implemented in Las Vegas schools, and it continues to be one of the highlights of the ADL's local programming. The Nevada region office also works with the Holocaust Resource Center to provide teacher training and curriculum about the Holocaust. The Las Vegas ADL sits on the Interfaith Council, hosts speakers, honors local citizens, fundraises, and holds events such as their annual legal luncheon.

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Scope and Contents Note

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Arrangement

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Administrative Information

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2015 by Phyllis Friedman and in 2019 by Barbara Tabach; accession numbers 2015-085, 2021-055.

Processing Note

In 2015, Emily Lapworth processed the collection and created the finding aid in ArchivesSpace. In 2021, Tammi Kim accessioned the 2021 addition and updated the finding aid.

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Names and Subjects

- Civil rights
- Community organization -- United States
- photographs
- Anti-defamation League

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Event photographs, 2003-2012	box SH-037

Anti-Defamation League "No Place for Hate" sign, undated

	flat file 01	
"Imagine a World Without Hate" gala programs and invitations, Jurisprudence Luncheon invitation, 2017 to 2019	box SH-037	