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Inventory

Adams, Leonard. Book Reviews and Book Review Correspondence

1983-1986, undated

Box 1: 1

Adams, Leonard. Book Review: Government Reference Books 82/83: A Biennial Guide to US Government Publications

1986

Box 1: 2

Adams, Leonard. Book Review: Guide to US Government Publications

1986

Box 1: 3

Adams, Leonard. Citizen Access to Massachusetts State Documents

1988

Box 1: 4

Adams, Leonard. Government Documents at the University of Massachusetts: A Short History

undated

Box 1: 5

Adams, Leonard. Government Documents Technical Processing Manual

1984

Box 1: 6

The Government Documents Technical Processing Manual is also available on microfiche.

Adams, Leonard. Sabbatical Report: A Survey of Organizational Models of Large Federal Government Document Repositories

1999 Oct 06

Box 1: 7

Adams, Leonard. A Survey of Local Census Data Collection in Massachusetts

1986

Box 1: 8

Annual Performance Reviews and Promotions

1976-2002

Box 1: 9-13

Annual Performance Reviews and Promotions

2002-2006

Box 2: 1

Biographical Materials

undated

Box 2: 2
Five-Year Reappointment
2006

Box 2: 3
Government Documents Monthly Reprints and Statistics
2000-2002

Box 2: 4
Government Documents Proposals and Analyses
2000-2008, undated

Box 2: 5
Government Documents Technical Processing Manual: Correspondence and Reviews
1985-1986

Box 2: 6
Infodocs Reviews Newsletter
1982-1983

Box 2: 7
Kosovar Librarians
2005

Box 2: 8
Library Correspondence
1981, 2006

Box 2: 9
Newsclippings
2004-2005

Box 2: 10
Photographs
2005, undated

Box 2: 11
Postcards: Kosovo
undated

Box 2: 12
Slides: Government Publications Librarians of New England Meeting, Presentation of Award for Excellence
1987 May

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Administrative information

Access

The collection is open for research.

Provenance

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