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Guide to the

John Voelcker papers

1986-2000 (bulk 1989-1997)

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Summary

Creator: Voelcker, John

Title: John Voelcker papers, 1986-2000 (bulk 1989-1997)

Size: 2.1 linear feet (5 boxes)

Source: Donated by John Voelcker, 2000

Abstract: John Voelcker is an automotive journalist and freelance writer. He was formerly a writer for the magazine *OutWeek* and a member of the Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization which protested the Ancient Order of Hiberians' exclusion of lesbian and gay groups marching in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. His papers are divided into three series: I. Writings, II. Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization, and III. National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association.

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Creator history

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Scope and content note

The Voelcker Papers are divided into three series: I. Writings, II. Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization, and III. National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association.

Series I. Writings consists of Voelcker's freelance writing assignments (correspondence, drafts, published articles) for *OutWeek*, a New York City gay magazine. Also included are materials related to his articles written for other publications.

Series II. contains material relating to the Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization and the group's attempts to march in the New York City St. Patrick's Day Parade during the early 1990s. His files contain copies of legal documents, correspondence and a comprehensive list of newspaper coverage of the controversy.

Series III. contains chiefly printed material distributed to members of the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association. Included are newsletters, correspondence, workshop flyers, and directories.

Arrangement

The John Voelcker papers are organized into the following series:

Series I: Writings, 1989-1992

Series II: Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization, 1991-2000

Series III: National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association, 1992-1997

Key terms

Subjects

Gay activists -- New York (State) -- New York

Occupations

Journalists -- United States

Names

Irish Gay and Lesbian Organization

National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association

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Container list

Series I: Writings, 1989-1992

The writings series contain correspondence, drafts and published articles.

Outweek, 1989-1990

- b.1 f.1 AIDS Treatment Registry, 1989
- b.1 f.2 Anti-Violence Project and Gay Bashing Roundup, 1989
- b.1 f.3 Avoiding Bashing: Do's and Don'ts, 1990
- b.1 f.4 Bias Crimes up 122%, 1990
- b.1 f.5 Boy Bar Bashing, 1990
- b.1 f.6 CCRB and ACT UP complaint, 1989-1990
- b.1 f.7 Center Renovation Fund, 1990
- b.1 f.8 Lists and humor, undated
- b.1 f.9 Miscellaneous, undated
- b.1 f.10 Nesselroth Attack, 1990
- b.1 f.11 Port Authority Gay-bashing, 1990
- b.1 f.12 Riis Park Arrests, 1990
- b.1 f.13 Safe Sex in Gay Porn, 1989
- b.1 f.14 Seniors With AIDS, 1990
- b.1 f.15 Ty's and Spikes Fagbashing, 1990
- b.1 f.16 Zappalorti murder, 1990
- b.1 f.17 138th Street IRT Gaybashing, 1990

Other writings, 1989-1992

- b.1 f.18 ACLU ROTC Program, 1991
- b.1 f.19 Drafts, undated (Unsorted)
- b.1 f.20 Gays in the Military, 1991
- b.2 f.1 Gay Bashing, 1991 (Newspaper clippings)
- b.2 f.2-3 High Tech Gays, 1986-1991
- b.2 f.4 Miscellaneous, 1990-1992
- b.2 f.5 National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, 1989
Anti-Gay Violence, Victimization and Defamation
- b.2 f.6-7 New York City Gay and Lesbian Anti-Violence Project, 1991
- b.2 f.8 Notes, undated (Unsorted)

Series II: Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization, 1991-2000

The series contains legal documents, correspondence and clippings about the Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization and the controversy surrounding the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

- b.3 f.1 Clippings list, 2000
- b.3 f.2 Correspondence, 1991-1994
- b.3 f.3 Drafts of newsletters, undated
- b.3 f.4 Flyers, ca. 1991-1993
- b.3 f.5-7 Legal documents, 1992-2000
- b.4 f.1-2 Legal documents, 1992-2000
- b.4 f.3 Miscellaneous, undated
- b.4 f.4 Newsletters, 1993-1994
- b.4 f.5 Notes, undated

Series II: Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization (cont.)

- b.4 f.6 Photographs, 1994
- b.4 f.7-8 Press releases, undated

Series III: National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association, 1992-1997

- b.5 f.1 Membership material, 1994-1996
- b.5 f.2-3 NLGJA Newsletter *Alternative*, 1992-1997