

# Guide to the Jerome Medalie Papers

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 1783

**CREATOR:** Medalie, Jerome

**TITLE:** Jerome Medalie papers

**DATES:** 1965-2003

**BULK DATES:** 1965-1974

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.75 linear feet

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Correspondence, memoranda, writings, and printed materials primarily documenting the work of Jerome Medalie to effect legislation enabling the public financing of political campaigns in Massachusetts, and nationwide. An unpublished manuscript, "Private Financing of Political Campaigns: Time For a Change," is included in the papers.

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f. folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Jerome Medalie, 2000, 2002, 2003.

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## Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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## Biographical / Historical

Jerome Medalie graduated from Yale University in 1945. He served in the United States Naval Reserves on active duty in the Pacific during World War II. After the war, he completed a degree at Harvard Law School. Most of his legal career has been spent in private practice. In the early 1960s, Medalie became actively involved in Democratic politics in Massachusetts, creating the West Suburban Democratic League in the Boston area. His attention focused on the need for legislation dealing with the reform of political campaign financing. In the late 1960s to the mid 1970s, Medalie participated in the drafting of house bills proposing public funding of political campaigns and the preclusion of private contributions.

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### Original accession

b. 1, f. 1	Index [descriptions of items in chronological order]	
b. 1, f. 2	1965 English	
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b. 1, f. 5	Feb-May	
b. 1, f. 6	Jun-Dec	
	1968	
b. 1, f. 7	Feb-Jul	
b. 1, f. 8	Aug-Oct	
b. 1, f. 9	1969 English	
b. 1, f. 10	1970 English	
b. 1, f. 11	1971 English	
b. 1, f. 12	1972 English	
b. 1, f. 13	1973 English	
b. 1, f. 14	1974 English	
b. 1, f. 15	1979-1980	
b. 1, f. 16	Additional documents	1973, 1991-1995, 2000, undated

**Accession 2003-M-036: Additional Material**

Litigation involving Massachusetts House Speaker Thomas M. Finneran and the state Board of Bar Overseers.

Also includes Accession 2004-M-019, 2004-M-029

b. 1, f. 1	Clean Elections Law, Massachusetts [includes email, correspondence, clippings, court documents]  Litigation involving Massachusetts House Speaker Thomas M. Finneran and the state Board of Bar Overseers.	2000-2002
b. 1, f. 2	Articles and commentary by Medalie on labor law as applied to employees and faculty of higher education institutions  "Legal Status of Faculty Unionization in the United States," <i>Handbook of College and University Administration</i> English	1970-2003  1970
	"Employee Relations and Unions," <i>The International Encyclopedia of Higher Education</i> , volume 6 English	1977
b. 1, f. 2	Papers concerning establishment of the Jerome Medalie '45W Endowment fund at Yale University	2000-2003
b. 1, f. 3	<i>Thou Shalt Honor</i> [play in two acts, by Medalie]	1984
b. 1, f. 3	"The Pariah Image of the Lawyer: Symptom of an Endangered Vision of America?" <i>Massachusetts Law Review</i> English	1999

## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Campaign funds -- Law and legislation -- United States  
Campaign funds -- Massachusetts  
Campaign funds -- United States

### **Names**

Medalie, Jerome

### **Corporate Body**

Common Cause (U.S.)