

Guide to the Robert A. Burt Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 2052

CREATOR: Burt, Robert A., 1939-2015

TITLE: Robert A. Burt papers

DATES: 1978-2015

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 7.75 linear feet (17 boxes and 1 flash drive.)

LANGUAGE: The Robert A. Burt Papers are in English.

SUMMARY: The Robert A. Burt papers contain correspondence and class materials created and collected by Professor Robert A. Burt (LAW 64) during his tenure as Professor of Law at Yale Law School. These papers are directly related to his professional activities and do not contain personal papers. These papers span the years of 1974-2015.

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Requesting Instructions

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To order reproductions from this collection, please go to http://www.library.yale.edu/mssa/ifr_copy_order.html. The information you will need to submit an order includes: the collection call number, collection title, series or accession number, box number, and folder number or name.

Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Linda R. Burt, 2015.

Conditions Governing Access

The Restricted Correspondence folders are restricted to researcher access due to FERPA regulations and cannot be accessed until January 1, 2062.

Computer files that are located in the course materials series are restricted to researcher access until the digital processing of these materials is complete.

Conditions Governing Use

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Separated Materials

Photocopied and published course materials have mostly been removed, unless not described in course overviews.

Biographical / Historical

Robert "Bo" Burt (1939-2015), LAW 1964, was a Yale Law School Professor Emeritus and a member of the faculty of Yale Law School. He received his BA from Princeton (1960) and his MA in Jurisprudence from Oxford (1962), followed by his JD from Yale Law School (1964). In 1976 he joined the faculty of Yale Law School after teaching at the University of Michigan and the University of Chicago.

Robert Burt's primary area of study was bioethics and the law, as well as the relationship between the Bible and the law. He taught courses at Yale Law such as "Medicine Ethics" and "The Book of Job and Injustice". He wrote six books over the course of his career, including "Take Care of Strangers: The Rule of Law in Doctor-Patient Relations" and "In the Whirlwind: God and Humanity in Conflict."

Robert Burt passed away in 2015.

Scope and Contents

The Robert A. Burt papers contain correspondence and class materials created and collected by Professor Robert A. Burt (LAW 64) during his tenure as Professor of Law at Yale Law School. These papers are directly related to his professional activities and do not contain personal papers. These papers span the years of 1974-2015.

Arrangement

The Robert A. Burt Papers are arranged in two series: I. Correspondence, 1976-1986. II, Course materials 1970-2015.

Collection Contents

Series I: Correspondence, 1976–1986

The Correspondence series contains the professional correspondence of Professor Robert Burt during his tenure at Yale Law from the years of 1976-1986.

The Correspondence series is organized chronologically.

b. 1, f. 1	1976 July - December	1976 July - December
b. 1, f. 2	1977 January - April	1977 January - April
b. 1, f. 3	1977 May - December	1977 May - December
b. 1, f. 4	1978 January - March	1978 January - March
b. 1, f. 5	1978 April - September	1978 April - September
b. 2, f. 1	1978 October - December	1978 October - December
b. 2, f. 2	1978 November - December	1978 November - December
b. 2, f. 3	1979 January - June	1979 January - June
b. 2, f. 4	1979 July - December	1979 July - December
b. 2, f. 5	1980 January - June	1980 January - June
b. 2, f. 6	1980 July - December	1980 July - December
b. 3, f. 1	1980 July - December	1980 July - December
b. 3, f. 2-3	1981 January - May	1981 January - May
b. 3, f. 4	1981 June - December	1981 June - December
b. 3, f. 5	1982 English	1982
b. 3, f. 6	1983 June - September	1983 June - September
b. 4, f. 1	1982 December	1982 December

b. 4, f. 2	1983 January - March	1983 January - March
b. 4, f. 3	1983 April	1983 April
b. 4, f. 4	1983 November - December	1983 November - December
b. 4, f. 5	1984 January - March	1984 January - March
b. 4, f. 6	1984 April - July	1984 April - July
b. 4, f. 7	1984 August - December	1984 August - December
b. 5, f. 1-2	1985 January	1985 January
b. 5, f. 3	1985 January - June	1985 January - June
b. 5, f. 4	1985 July - December	1985 July - December
b. 5, f. 5	1986 January - April	1986 January - April
b. 5, f. 6	1986 April - July	1986 April - July
b. 6, f. 1	1986 August - November	1986 August - November
b. 6, f. 2	1986 November	1986 November
Restricted correspondence Restricted due to FERPA until January 1, 2062.		
b. 17, f. 1	1978 English	1978
b. 17, f. 2	1981 English	1981
b. 17, f. 3	1983 English	1983
b. 17, f. 4	1985 English	1985
b. 17, f. 5	1986 English	1986

Series II: Course materials, 1970–2015

The Course Materials series contains lists of courses and lists of materials used by Professor Burt during his tenure as a professor. Published material listed in the course materials have been removed. This series dates from 1970-2015.

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The Course Materials series is arranged alphabetically, and then chronologically for courses taught more than once.

	Administering Death	
b. 7, f. 1	Spring 1993	Spring 1993
b. 7, f. 2	1995 English	1995
	Advocacy for People with Disabilities	
b. 7, f. 3-4	1994 English	1994
b. 7, f. 5	1996–1997	1996–1997
b. 7, f. 6-7	Articles and course materials	1988–1990
b. 8, f. 2	Bioethics and the Law	2009
b. 8, f. 3	Biotechnology and Anti-social Conduct: Controlling the Controller lecture	1974
b. 8, f. 4	The Book of Job and Injustice	2000
	Children in the Law	
b. 8, f. 5-7	1983 English	1983
b. 8, f. 8	The Constitutional Case for Same-Sex Marriage lecture	2006
	Constitutional Law I	
b. 8, f. 9	1987 English	1987
b. 9, f. 1	1988 English	1988
b. 9, f. 2	1990 English	1990
b. 9, f. 3	1991 English	1991
	The Constitution, the Supreme Court, and the Concept of Authority in American Political Life	
b. 9, f. 4-6	1986–1988	1986–1988
b. 9, f. 7	Courts, Congress, and the Constitution	Undated

Dependency and the Law		
b. 9, f. 8	1979 English	1979
b. 9, f. 9-10	1981 English	1981
b. 9, f. 11	Family and the Law	1978 January
Family Law		
b. 9, f. 12	1995 English	1995
b. 10, f. 1	1995 English	1995
Adult relations		
b. 10, f. 2	Circa 1980	Circa 1980
b. 10, f. 3	1998 English	1998
b. 10, f. 4	2001 English	2001
b. 10, f. 5	Take home test	2003
General		
Articles and course materials		
b. 7, f. 6-7	Circa 1990	Circa 1990
b. 8, f. 1	Undated	Undated
b. 18	Computer files 2016-M-071-0001 <i>1 Flash Drive</i> Closed until processed. As a preservation measure, original materials may not be used. Digital access copies must be provided for use. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at beinecke.library@yale.edu to request access	2014–2015
b. 10, f. 6-7	Health Policy, Politics, and Law	1989
b. 10, f. 8	Holocaust Testimonies	1994
b. 11, f. 1-2	Legal and Psychoanalytic Perspectives on Attorney-client Relation	1982 September
Legal Control of Biomedical Sciences		
b. 11, f. 3-4	Fall 1976	Fall 1976
b. 11, f. 5-6	Winter 1976	Winter 1976

b. 11, f. 7	The Legislative Process	1970
b. 12, f. 1	Materials on the Selective Service System	Undated
	Medicine, Ethics, and Law	
b. 12, f. 2	1999 English	1999
b. 12, f. 3-4	Yale-New Haven Teachers Institute seminar materials	2001
b. 12, f. 5	Multiculturalism on the Law	Undated
b. 12, f. 6-7	Prisoners and Experimentation	Undated
b. 12, f. 8	Professional Conduct in Law and Medicine	1998
b. 13, f. 1-2	Psychoanalytic and Legal Perspectives on Attorney-client Relations	1983
b. 13, f. 3	Psychoanalysis and Violence	1989
b. 13, f. 4	Regulating Birth, Extending Life	1997
b. 13, f. 5	Regulating Physician-patient Relations	1994
	Representing Clients	
b. 13, f. 6	Undated	Undated
b. 13, f. 7	1980 English	1980
b. 14, f. 1	Representing People with Disabilities	1990
b. 14, f. 2-3	Rights of Disabled People	1986
b. 14, f. 4	Selected Topics in Comparative Constitutional Law	1987 July
b. 14, f. 5-6	Seminar of the United States Congress	1972
	Slavery, the Constitution, and the Supreme Court	
b. 14, f. 7	1980 English	1980
b. 14, f. 8	1982 English	1982
b. 15, f. 1	1982 English	1982
b. 15, f. 2-3	1983 English	1983
b. 15, f. 3	1983 English	1983
b. 15, f. 4	Stability, Change, and the Law	1981

b. 15, f. 5	The Supreme Court in American Political History Yale National Teachers Institute 2006 seminar	2006
b. 15, f. 6	The Urban Public School System	Undated
b. 16, f. 1	Disability Rights	1991
b. 16, f. 2	Memorandum by Mr. Justice Jackson	Undated

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

Law -- Study and teaching
Lawyers -- United States -- 20th Century
Medical ethics
Religion and law

Names

Burt, Robert A., 1939-2015

Corporate Body

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