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Abstract: Correspondence, promotional material, clippings, California legislature bills, financial records, and photographs documenting the lobbying efforts of George Raya, bulk 1975-1979. Raya lobbied the California State Legislature regarding the consensual sex (AB 489) and employment discrimination (AB 633) bills and was a part of the 1977 National Gay Task Force meeting at the White House.
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Biography
George Raya graduated from Sacramento State University where he was a founding member of the Society for Homosexual Freedom. While in law school at the University of California, Berkeley, he was active in student and local politics and championed a Berkeley ordinance to prohibit discrimination in employment. He worked as a liaison for the Society for Individual Rights (SIR) to the California State Legislature and lobbied for such gay causes as the consensual sex (AB 489) and employment discrimination (AB 633) bills. He was a member of the National Gay Task Force meeting at the White House in 1977.

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Scope and Contents
Correspondence, promotional material, clippings, California legislature bills, financial records, and photographs documenting the lobbying efforts of George Raya, bulk 1975-1979.

Separated Materials
The HARVEY MILK SUPERVISOR (blue and red text on a white background) and the MOSCONE (red text on a blue background) pins were separated to the ONE button collection.

Separated to the ONE periodical collection
Capitol Hill, Vol. 1, No. 5 and 6
Community News, No. 10, July 1975
Entertainment West, No. 130, May 1975
The Liberty Express, No. 1 and 2, 1975

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Gays -- Political activity
Lobbyists
Gay rights -- United States
Political activists

George Raya papers 82279 1972-1979
Arrangement
This collection is arranged in alphabetical order.

Box 1, Folder 1  Al Best campaign for San Diego city council 82257 1979
Box 1, Folder 6-10  California State Legislature, lobbying 82261 1975-1979
  Physical Description: [5 folders]

Box 1, Folder 2-5  Clippings 82259 1975-1979
  Physical Description: [4 folders]

Box 1, Folder 11  Financial records, lobbying 82262 1975-1976
Box 2, Folder 1  Gay Academic Union, Golden Gate Business Association, and other organizational subject files 82263 circa 1974-1977
Box 2, Folder 2  Gay rights legislation across the United States, subject files 82265 1975-1979
Box 2, Folder 3  Gay Rights National Lobby 82266 1976-1978
Box 2, Folder 4  George Moscone and Harvey Milk correspondence and subject files 82267 1974-1979
Box 2, Folder 5  Photograph of Raya and a student paper "Homosexuals and the Law" 82268 1972, undated
Box 2, Folder 6  White House National Gay Task Force meeting 82270 1977
  Scope and Contents
  Includes 2 black-and-white photographs.