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Abstract: Correspondence, arrest and court records, fliers, clippings, and written statements documenting the life of Mark Dyer Rexroad, better known as Mark Kostopoulos. He was a leader of the Lavender Left in New Orleans, who relocated to California to help found ACT UP/Los Angeles and later the ACT UP Network.

Biographical Note
Mark Dyer Rexroad was born in Augusta, Maine, and grew up in the Midwest. Later he would become better known by his pseudonym, Mark Kostopoulos. He graduated from San Francisco State University and lived in San Francisco in the 1970s where he became a member of the Revolutionary Socialist League. In the early 1980s he moved to New Orleans where he was a leader of the Lavender Left, a socialist lesbian and gay organization. In the mid-to-late 1980s he relocated to Los Angeles where he became one of the founding members and a leader of ACT UP/Los Angeles and the ACT UP Network. The ACT UP Network was an umbrella group working to coordinate actions of local chapters. He was employed as a United States Postal Service carrier. On June 20, 1992, he died from complications related to AIDS.

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Scope and Contents
The collection primarily documents Kostopoulos' involvement with the Revolutionary Socialist League (RSL) and the activities of the Lavender Left in New Orleans, a socialist lesbian and gay organization. The arrest and court documents file provides evidence of some of his ACT UP actions. The correspondence file includes requests for reports on his efforts to further the cause of the RSL and correspondence from prisoners including Carl Harp and Albert "Chui" Clark. Kostopoulos' travels in the Caribbean, Latin America, and to Europe are documented in his passports in the identification folder.

Arrangement
The folders of the collection are arranged alphabetically.

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Correspondence
ACT UP Los Angeles (Organization)
Lavender Left (Organization)

Box 1, Folder 1 Arrest and court records 1988-1990
Box 1, Folder 2 Clippings 1981-1983
Box 1, Folder 3 Correspondence, Albert "Chui" Clark 1978-1990
Box 1, Folder 4 Fliers 1983-1987
Box 1, Folder 5 Identification 1977-1991
| Box 1, Folder 6 | **Photographs and plaque undated, 1992**  
|                | Physical Description: 2 photographic prints. |
| Box 1, Folder 7 | **Statements circa 1984**                   |