

## **Dr. Andrew F. Rolle Letter Collection**

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### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Dr. Andrew F. Rolle Letter Collection

**Dates:** 1969-1986

**Collection number:** 066

**Collector:** Andrew F. Rolle

**Collection Size:** 4 items (one pamphlet binder)

**Repository:** Loyola Marymount University. Library. Department of Archives and Special Collections.

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**Abstract:** The collection consists of one document folder containing three letters from Franciscan priests concerning, for example, their research on California history written to Dr. Andrew F. Rolle and one letter written in response to them by Dr. Rolle.

**Physical location:** Section H, Aisle 67, Row A, Bay 6, Shelf 6

**Languages:** Languages represented in the collection: English

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### Preferred Citation

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### Acquisition Information

Donation of Dr. Andrew F. Rolle, 2003. Accession number: 2003.71

### Biography

Source: Huntington Library biography of Dr. Andrew F. Rolle from the Andrew F. Rolle Papers

California and Western American historian Andrew F. Rolle graduated from Occidental College in 1943. He served as a military intelligence officer in Europe and as American Vice Consul in Genoa, Italy, from 1945 to 1948. He earned a PhD in history from UCLA in 1953 and taught at Occidental College from 1953 to 1988. Rolle studied psychoanalysis at the Southern California Psychoanalytic Institute in 1976 and specialized in psychohistory. His published works include *California: A History* (1963), *The Italian-Americans: Troubled Roots* (1980), and *John Charles Fremont: Character as Destiny* (1991).

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**Collection Description**

The collection consists of one document folder containing three letters from Franciscan priests concerning their research on California history written to Dr. Andrew F. Rolle and one letter written in response to them by Dr. Rolle. Father Francis F. Guest, O.F.M., authored two of the letters and one details his position on the forced conversion of Native Americans in the Mission period of California history. This view, Father Guest maintains, should be included in the revised version of Dr. Rolle's history of California. There is a carbon copy of the response from Dr. Rolle and his sympathetic view of Father Guest's position.

The contents of the collection are:

1. Handwritten letter to Dr. Rolle from Reverend Maynard Geiger, O.F.M., November 29, 1969
2. Typewritten letter to Father Francis F. Guest, O.F.M., from Dr. Rolle, January 8, 1985
3. Typewritten letter to Dr. Rolle from Father Francis F. Guest, O.F.M., (4 pages) January 17, 1985
4. Typewritten letter to Dr. Rolle from Father Francis F. Guest, O.F.M., June 24, 1986

**Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Rolle, Andrew F.

Guest, Francis F., O.F.M.

Missions -- California -- History

Indians of North America -- Missions -- California -- History

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