Descriptive Summary

Title: James Ridgeway files on Southeast Asian refugees
Date: 1959-1996
Collection Number: MS-SEA007
Creator: Ridgeway, James
Extent: 3.8 linear feet (5 boxes)
Languages: The collection is in English and Vietnamese.
Repository: University of California, Irvine. Library. Special Collections and Archives.
Irvine, California 92623-9557

Abstract: This collection is comprised of materials collected by James Ridgeway that document refugee social services and educational organizations. The materials focus on organizations in Texas, the second most populous state after California for Southeast Asian refugees. An extensive list of evacuees from Southeast Asia is also included, which contains information on gender, age and occupation of refugees who arrived in 1975 at Camp Pendleton, California, a United States processing center for refugees. James Ridgeway served as a missionary and United Press International reporter in Vietnam from 1966 to the fall of Vietnam in 1975.

Access
The collection is open for research. Access to lists of refugee evacuees who arrived at Camp Pendleton, California, is restricted until 2025. Restrictions are noted at the first level.

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Historical Background

Collection Scope and Content Summary
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Collection Arrangement
This collection is arranged topically.

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library’s online public access catalog.
Refugees -- Southeast Asia -- Archives.
Refugees -- Services for -- Texas -- Archives.
Refugees -- Texas -- Archives.
Refugees -- California -- Archives.
Southeast Asians -- Texas -- Archives.
Southeast Asians -- California -- Archives.
Evacuation of civilians -- Southeast Asia -- History -- Sources.
Genres and Forms of Materials
Letters -- 20th century.
Photographic prints -- 20th century.
Reports -- 20th century.

Other Index Terms Related to this Collection
Online Archive of California
Southeast Asian Archive.

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