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There are no alternate forms of this collection.

Related Collections
AIDS Legal Referral Panel, MSS 96-01

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library’s online public access catalog.
National Lawyers Guild AIDS Network
AIDS (Disease)--United States--History
AIDS (Disease)--Activists--United States

Acquisition Information
The National Lawyer's Guild AIDS Network Records were donated by Eileen Hanson to UCSF in April 1994.

System of Arrangement
Arranged to the folder level.

Processing Information
Processed by William Walker and Josue Hurtado.

Organizational History
The National Lawyers Guild (Guild) was an association of over 10,000 progressive attorneys, law students, legal workers and jailhouse lawyers with over 200 chapters across the country. In 1985 Guild activist Paul Albert formed the National Lawyers Guild AIDS Network (NGLAN) in response to the inadequate legal services many Persons With AIDS were experiencing at that time. NGLAN was set up to provide legal assistance to people with HIV and to AIDS service organizations around the country through a network of attorneys and legal workers. It also advocated for progressive public policy, and educated individuals and groups about HIV and the law. It was organized as a separate body, with its own Board, policies and fiscal program, but was clearly a subsidiary of the Guild. Albert was appointed director, a position he held until he left five years later. Eileen Hansen, another legal activist and community organizer, was hired to direct the Network in 1990.

NGLAN's primary work involved referral of HIV positive individuals to the AIDS organization nearest them, and referral of AIDS organizations to cooperating local lawyers. Their major educational contributions included the preparation and publication of the AIDS Practice Manual, a comprehensive resource on HIV law for attorneys, and the Exchange, a newsletter published three times a year for lawyers, people with HIV, and other interested parties. NLGAN closed in 1993.

Scope and Content of Collection
This collection consists of publications, position papers, correspondence, and files on particular issues with which NGLAN had been involved. The two main issues documented in this collection are HIV in prisons, and immigration of persons with HIV/AIDS; topics that are not well documented elsewhere.

The materials are organized into four series according to subject: AIDS Network Records, Issues, AIDS and Immigration, and AIDS in Prison.

Series 1 AIDS Network Records 1986-1993

Physical Description: 12 Folders: Carton 1, Folders 1/1-1/12

Scope and Content Note
This series include 22 issues of the newsletter Exchange, three editions of the AIDS Practice Manual, several position papers from 1987, and some of Director Paul Albert's correspondence.

Carton 1, Folder 1
AIDS Network, General Information undated

Carton 1, Folder 2
AIDS Network, Exchange October 1986 to December 1993

Carton 1, Folder 3
AIDS Practice Manual: 2nd Ed 1988

Carton 1, Folders 4-5

Carton 1, Folders 6-7

Carton 1, Folder 8
AIDS Network, Official Positions undated

Carton 1, Folder 9
Correspondence: Gay & Lesbian Advocates and Defenders 1986-1988

Carton 1, Folder 10
Correspondence: Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund 1986-1988

Carton 1, Folder 11
Correspondence: National AIDS Network 1986-1988
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Correspondence: National Association of People With AIDS 1986-1988

Series 2 Issues 1984-1988

Physical Description: 4 Folders: Carton 1, Folders 1/13-1/16

Scope and Content Note

The folder labeled "Overview of AIDS Legal Issues" contains three "issue briefs" compiled in 1987 and 1988 by the Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress. The Grassroots Activism folder holds correspondence and notes, announcements, reports, and other documents on San Francisco's AIDS Action Pledge, ACT NOW, and ACT UP, also from 1987-88, as well as a 1984 Guild booklet on The Rights of Demonstrators; A Workshop for Activists.


Grassroots Activism 1984-1988

Quarantine undated

Race, Racism and AIDS undated

Series 3 AIDS and Immigration 1987-1993

Physical Description: 14 Folders: Carton 1, Folders 1/17-1/30

Scope and Content Note

This series documents the NLGAN's work on the issue of AIDS and Immigration.

General Information 1987-1991

NIH Revitalization Act 1993

Clinton Policy 1993

American Immigration Lawyers Association 1987

NLG National Immigration Project 1988-1992

Policies of Other Countries 1988

Policy Papers, Coalitions 1987-1989


Removal of Ban 1988-1992

Specific Cases 1990

Testing 1987-1990

Waivers 1988-1991

Series 4 AIDS in Prison 1985-1993

Physical Description: 28 Folders: Carton 1, Folders 1/31-1/46; Box 2, Folders 2/1-2/12

Scope and Content Note

This series documents the NLGAN's work on the issue of AIDS in prison.

General Information 1989-1990

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Carton 1, Folder 32: Conditions 1986-1988
Carton 1, Folder 33: Quarantine/Segregate 1989-1990
Carton 1, Folder 34: HealthCare/Treatment undated
Carton 1, Folder 35: Litigation, Various 1976-1987
Carton 1, Folder 36: Prevention 1989
Carton 1, Folder 37: HIV Testing 1987-1990
Carton 1, Folder 38: Drug Testing undated
Carton 1, Folder 39: Sentence Modification 1987, undated
Carton 1, Folder 40: Prison Staff and AIDS 1897, undated
Carton 1, Folder 41: Education of Inmates & Staff 1983-1993
Carton 1, Folder 42: Litigation - Summaries 1989-1990
Carton 1, Folder 43: Litigation - Various 1986-1990
Carton 1, Folder 44: U.S. Dept of Justice 1987
Carton 1, Folder 45: National Institute of Justice 1989
Carton 1, Folder 46: Legal Services 1989-1991
Box 2, Folder 1: Conferences & Seminars 1989-1993
Box 2, Folder 3: Ad Hoc Committee on Prison Health Issues 1989
Box 2, Folder 4: Prisoners With AIDS Rights Advocacy Group 1988-1993
Box 2, Folder 5: Prisoners Rights Project - Legal Aid Society 1990
Box 2, Folder 6: Prison AIDS Resource Center 1989
Box 2, Folder 7: Report - National Commission on AIDS 1991
Box 2, Folder 8: Report - Expert Com on AIDS/Prisons (Canada) 1993
Box 2, Folder 9: Report - AIDS in Correctional Facilities 1988
Box 2, Folder 10: Reports - Miscellaneous 1991
Box 2, Folder 12: Other - Miscellaneous 1989-1991