Date of Records: ca. 1985-1992

Size: 5 Boxes

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Scope and Content: This collection contains the personal papers of Ronald W. Wogaman, who died of AIDS in 1991. The material is primarily related to Wogaman's disease and includes medical records, insurance forms, legal documents, financial records, tax forms, personal correspondence, photographs, and a home movie on videotape. Items from the donation are also in Historical Collections.

BOX AND CONTENT LIST

Box 001:

00001: Abel Healthcare (home nursing service) - daily reports, 12/5/89 - 3/4/91
  - DHPG (drug) instructions
  - medication records and notes binder
  - newsletter with article about Ron
00002: Appointment books - 1990, 1991; contain doctor appointments, dates for support group
00003: Blue Cross/Blue Shield - claim forms
  - policies
  - processed claims
00004: Business cards - from Oakland and South Street Seaport museums
00005: Care Partner Group - attended by Ron's companion, David M. Kahn
00006: Condolence notes - sent after Ron's death
00007: Get well cards - from Ron's final illness
Box 002:

00002: Legal documents - birth certificate
  • death certificate
  • divorce decree
  • medical power of attorney
  • power of attorney
  • will
00003: Medical files - Douglas Dieterick, GI
  • Dorothy Friedberg, eyes
  • Jeffrey Greene, primary care
  • N. Patrick Hennessey, skin
  • B. Smith Hopkins, TPN
  • Les Soloman, West Coast physician
00004: Medical notes
00005: Medication schedule - daily lists usually kept by D. Kahn to avoid confusion in taking pills
00006: Memorial - tribute offered on an "AIDS altar" at the Oakland Museum, 12/2/92
00007: Memorial dinner - held 12/7/91 by close friend and ex-lover Bob Mills
00008: Memorial services - San Francisco 4/2/91 and New York 5/5/91 (Ron's birthday)

Box 003:

00001: Metropolitan Life Insurance - claim forms
  • policy
  • processed claims 1988-1991
00002: Miscellaneous bills and claim forms

Box 004:

00001: Mutual Benefit Life - long term disability
00002: Newspaper clipping about a gay/lesbian exhibition created by Ron at the Oakland Museum
00003: Notebook of health claims
00004: Passport and IDs
00005: Personal finances - American Express
  • Dreyfus Liquid Assets, Inc.
  • San Francisco condominium
  • taxes 1986-1991
  • Wells Fargo

Box 005:

00001: Photographs - album of 40th birthday party
  • album of hometown and gravesite
  • Ron, ca. 1985
00002: Resumes
00003: Social Security
00004: Stationary
00005: U.S. Life Insurance - processed claims, 1987
00006: Videotape - family home movies, 1950s
00007: 3 audiotape interviews with Barbara Henry (2 tapes) and Joyce Wogaman Utzinger