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Finding Aid - Amy Dalgleish fonds (RBSC-ARC-1156)

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Repository:	University of British Columbia Library Rare Books and Special Collections
Title:	Amy Dalgleish fonds
Reference code:	RBSC-ARC-1156
Date:	1953-1990 (date of creation)
Physical description:	1.78 m of textual records
Dates of creation, revision and deletion:	Fonds arranged and described by Carrie Eirene Stevenson in 1998. Description revised by Elizabeth Robertson in December 2023 to accommodate the July 2007 accrual.

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Born in Scotland in 1905, Amy Dalgleish emigrated to Canada at an early age and eventually settled in Vancouver. A long time Cooperative Commonwealth Federation supporter, she eventually ran as an NDP candidate in Vancouver. Active with a number of socially-concerned groups, she became president of INFACT, which is a breastfeeding advocacy group. She continued to have an interest in various social issues until her death in 1992.

Scope and content

The fonds consists primarily of subject files created and accumulated by Amy Dalgleish relating to various organizations in which she was involved such as the New Democratic Party and the Vancouver Society of Friends for the Elderly as well as social issues such as breastfeeding. The fonds also contain records from Ms. Dalgleish's 1956 legal case before the B.C. Supreme Court on the right of a woman to use her maiden name on probate documents, as well as correspondence related to her various areas of political engagement.

Notes

Title notes

• <u>Source of title proper</u>: Title based on the contents of the fonds.

Immediate source of acquisition

Judith Copithorne donated the records directly to Special Collections at the University of British Columbia on May 11, 1998.

On July 30, 2007, an accrual to the fonds was received from Judith Copithorne at UBC Rare Books and Special Collections.

Arrangement

Most of the material was arranged and maintained in files according to subject matter by Ms. Dalgliesh before deposit : therefore ; this arrangement has been maintained. The records which were not arranged by Ms. Dalgliesh have been organized so as to facilitate access and retrieval .

Restrictions on access

No restrictions were placed on access.

Finding aids

Inventory available.

Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

Other notes

• **<u>Publication status</u>**: published

Access points

- New Democratic Party
- Vancouver Society of Friends for the Elderly (subject)
- Health and social services (subject)
- Co-operative Commonwealth Federation (subject)
- Organizations (subject)
- Politics (subject)
- Women (subject)

Series descriptions

Subject files

Date: 1960-1990 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Series consist of files created by Ms. Dalgliesh relating to her work with different organizations which she was a part of including Agora, the Broadway Commonwealth Society, Conscience Canada, the Council of Canada, humanists, the NDP (New Democratic Party), and WILPF (Womens' International League for Peace and Freedom). The files regarding breastfeeding contain various records which portray both Ms. Dalgliesh's interest in the subject and her involvement with INFACT. Other files in the series contain records depicting Ms. Dalgliesh's interest in various subjects such as British Colombian native people, the (CBC), daycare, chiropractic, Dying with Dignity, the environment and recycling, family law, forestry, Grapes, midwifery, Nanoose, peace, Rolf's plan, theology, and women's issues. Two of the files contain records regarding her trips to both China (1980) and Nicaragua (1982). The financial records relate to Ms. Dalgliesh's interest in withholding the percentage of her income tax that, she believed, was being used by the Canadian government to support the military.

The other files contain audit and offices procedures, correspondence: both incoming and outgoing with others who were also interested in various social issues, information on Dorothy Gretchen Steeves, and an essay on capitalism (notes and drafts). The miscellanea files contain various periodicals and files of information regarding many subjects which Ms. Dalgliesh designated as miscellanea.

Publication status:

published

File / item list					
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container	
RBSC-ARC-1156-1-1	File - Agora	1984, 1990			
RBSC-ARC-1156-1-2	File - Audit and Office Procedures	1974			
RBSC-ARC-1156-1-3	File - B.C. Native People	1982, 1984			
RBSC- ARC-1156-2-1-11	File - Breastfeeding continued	1980-1990			
RBSC- ARC-1156-1-4-12	File - Breastfeeding	1980-1990			
RBSC- ARC-1156-3-1-12	File - Breastfeeding continued	1980-1990			
RBSC- ARC-1156-4-1-11	File - Breastfeeding continued	1980-1990			
RBSC- ARC-1156-5-1-4	File - Breastfeeding continued	1980-1990			
RBSC- ARC-1156-5-5-7	File - Broadway Commonwealth Society	1982-1989			
RBSC-ARC-1156-5-8	File - [Friends of] CBC	1988-1989			
RBSC- ARC-1156-6-1-4	File - China	1980			
RBSC- ARC-1156-6-5-6	File - Chiropractic	1988-1990			
RBSC- ARC-1156-6-7-8	File - Conscience Canada	1987-1990			
RBSC- ARC-1156-7-1-2	File - Correspondence	1985-1988			

RBSC-	File - Council of Canada	1985-1988,
ARC-1156-7-3-4		1990
RBSC-ARC-1156-7-5	File - Daycare	1978,
		1987-1988
RBSC-ARC-1156-7-6	File - Dorothy Gretchen Steeves Fund	[1976?]
RBSC-	File - Dying with Dignity	1984-1989
ARC-1156-7-7-8		
RBSC-ARC-1156-8-1	File - Environment and recycling	1989
RBSC-ARC-1156-8-2	File - Essay	1978
RBSC-ARC-1156-8-3	File - Family Law	1981
RBSC-	File - Finances	1987-1988
ARC-1156-8-4-13		
RBSC-	File - Finances continued	1987-1988
ARC-1156-9-1-7		
RBSC-ARC-1156-9-8	File - Forestry	1967, 1989
RBSC-	File - Grapes	1987-1989
ARC-1156-9-9-10	1	
RBSC-	File - Humanists	1983-1990
ARC-1156-9-11-12		
RBSC-	File - Humanists continued	1983-1990
ARC-1156-10-1-5		
RBSC-ARC-1156-10-6	File - Midwifery	1986
RBSC-ARC-1156-10-7	File - Nanoose	1988
RBSC-	File - NDP	1960-1961,
ARC-1156-10-8-10		1965-1966,
		1969, 1972,
		1978-1982,
		1990-1991
RBSC-	File - NDP continued	1960-1961,
ARC-1156-11-1-4		1965-1966,
		1969, 1972,
		1978-1982,
		1990-1991
RBSC-	File - Nicaragua	1981-1983
ARC-1156-11-5-6		
RBSC-	File - Peace	1977-1978,
ARC-1156-12-1-5		1982-1989
RBSC-ARC-1156-12-6	File - The Philippines	1989
RBSC-ARC-1156-12-7	File - Theology	1987-1988
RBSC-	File - Vancouver Society of Friends for	1979,
ARC-1156-12-8-12	the Elderly	1985-1989
RBSC-ARC-1156-13-1	File - Vancouver Society of Friends for	1979,
	the Elderly	1985-1989
RBSC-ARC-1156-13-2	File - WILPF	1986-1990
RBSC-	File - Women - misc.	1967,
ARC-1156-13-3-4		1980-1990
RBSC-	File - Miscellanea	1966, 1968,
ARC-1156-13-4-6		1972-1973,
		1978,
		1980-1989
RBSC-	File - Miscellanea continued	1966, 1968,
ARC-1156-14-1-7		1972-1973,
		1978,
		1980-1989

Activism and correspondence

Creator: Dalgleish, Amy

Date: 1953-1990 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

The series consists of correspondence related to Ms. Dalgleish's political engagement on various issues, including the rights of the poor and working class, Innu land rights, and the 1990 Kanesatake Resistance. The series also contains legal records related to the estate of her mother Amelia Caroline Dalgleish, which reached the B.C. Supreme Court and resulted in a decision which affirmed the right of a woman to use her maiden name on probate documents. Record types include correspondence, handwritten notes, newspaper clippings, and court decisions.

Physical description: 3 cm of textual records

Publication status:

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container		
RBSC-ARC-1156-14-8	File - Escort training for abortion clinic	February 4, 1990				
RBSC-ARC-1156-14-9	File - [Notes on Humanist in Canada]	[After 1985]				
RBSC-	File - [Miscellaneous correspondence]	1989-1990				
ARC-1156-14-10						
RBSC-	File - Re Dalgleish Estate	April 19, 1956				
ARC-1156-14-11						
RBSC-	File - The "Right to the use of name" file	1953-1956,				
ARC-1156-14-12		predominant				
		1956				
RBSC-	File - Dalgleish right to use of maiden	1956				
ARC-1156-14-13	name					