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Summary information

Repository:	University of British Columbia Library Rare Books and Special Collections
Title:	Hundal family fonds
ID:	RBSC-ARC-1265
Date:	1909-1965 (date of creation)
Physical description:	20 cm of textual records 77 photographs : b&w, some sepia toned
Dates of creation, revision and deletion:	

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Hakim Singh Hundal, a director of the Canadian-Indian Supply and Trust company left India for Canada in 1911 with his family--his mother, Bishan Kaur, and his four sons, Atma, Iqbal [Ikball], Teja, and Jermeja. The family spent two years living in the Hong Kong Sikh Temple awaiting immigration clearance to land in Canada. The family eventually arrived in Canada in 1913 after a barrage of appeals to all levels of government. The Hundal boys went on to become excellent students. They lived in Point Grey and attended Queen Mary Elementary and Prince of Wales High School, then on to the University of British Columbia.

Iqbal [Ikball] (b. 22 Aug. 1902) earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Washington in 1925 and went on to become an aeronautical engineer in the United States. While in the United States, Iqbal also served with the Air Unit of the Reserve Officers Training Corps. Later, he married Ranjit Kaur Bains and had at least one son and one daughter. He also worked in the automobile industry in Oshawa, Ontario.

Teja (5 June 1903-14 Nov. 1971) worked as a lumber grader for 35 years and married Beatrice Evelyn MacDonald. He died in Burnaby, B.C.

Jermeja "Jerry" (5 Apr. [1905 or 1906]-25 May 1991) attended UBC, where he played rugby, and then Oregon State College. Jermeja lived and worked for a time in Toronto where he met his wife, Joyce. The couple moved to Los Angeles in 1957 where Jermeja opened the West Coast office of Air-India. Prior to that he was the commercial assistant to the Indian consul general in San Francisco. In the 1960s, he was also the president of the India-American Society.

Scope and content

The fonds consists of family documents (passports, U.S. education degrees), some correspondence regarding his initial business and photographs of the family entering Canada, their home in Vancouver, and the universities in the U.S. where family members were educated.

Notes

Title notes

- **Source of title proper:** Title based on the contents of the fonds.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** published

Series descriptions

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-01	File - Photographs	1913-[194-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-01-BC1953-11	Item - The Hundal family in front of their home in Point Grey, Vancouver	1913		
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-01-BC1953-12	Item - Group photograph on building steps	1946		
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-01-BC1953-13	Item - Group photograph of unknown men	[194-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-01-BC1953-14	Item - Group photograph of unknown men	[194-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-01-BC1953-16	Item - Albert Jr. in Elks band uniform	1 Jul. 1941		
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-01-BC1953-17	Item - Portrait of [Jermeja and Teja Hundal?]	[192-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-01-BC1953-18	Item - Portrait of [Iqbal Hundal?]	[191-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-02	File - Land sale agreement photocopies	1912-1955		
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-03	File - Reserve Officers' Training Corps special order and documentation	1923		

RBSC-ARC-1265-1-04	File - Ford Oriental Company correspondence to J.S. Hundel	23 Aug. 1930
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-05	File - Photograph and booklet	[194-?]-1962
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-05-BC1953-15	Item - Portrait of [Jermeja Singh Hundal?]	[194-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-06	File - Booklets in Punjabi and Urdu	1963
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-07	File - Blank immigration form and high school examination questions	1916-1919
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-08	File - Iqbal [Iqbal] Singh and Ranjit Kaur Hundal passports	1955-1965
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-09	File - Printed booklets	[192-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-10	File - Photographs	[192-]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-10-BC1953-1	Item - Portrait of [Jermeja Singh Hundal?]	[193-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-10-BC1953-2	Item - Portrait of [Jermeja Singh Hundal?]	[193-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-10-BC1953-3	Item - Portrait of unidentified baby girl	[195-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-10-BC1953-4	Item - Portrait of [Iqbal Hundal?]	[192-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-10-BC1953-5	Item - Portrait of [Iqbal Hundal?]	[192-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-10-BC1953-6	Item - Portrait of [Jermeja Singh Hundal?]	[194-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-10-BC1953-7	Item - Portrait of unidentified man	[192-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-11	File - Photographs	[191?]-[194-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-11-BC1953-8	Item - Portrait of two unidentified men	[19-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-11-BC1953-9	Item - Portrait of [Jermeja Singh Hundal?]	[194-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-11-BC1953-10	Item - Portrait of [Jermeja Singh Hundal?]	[192-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-11-BC1953-19	Item - Tilley [illegible] [Lailer?]	[192-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-11-BC1953-20	Item - Tree carving - Little Qualicum Park - V.I.B.C. 18	1918
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-11-BC1953-21	Item - Snapshot of [Iqbal Hundal?] standing in garden	[192-?]

RBSC- ARC-1265-1-11- BC1953-22	Item - Portrait of [SRR Kaul?] [193-?]
RBSC- ARC-1265-1-11- BC1953-23	Item - Portrait of Iqbal [Ikball] Singh Hundal [194-?]
RBSC- ARC-1265-1-11- BC1953-24	Item - Photograph of six unidentified men [195-?]
RBSC- ARC-1265-1-11- BC1953-25	Item - Portrait of unidentified man [192-?]
RBSC- ARC-1265-1-11- BC1953-26	Item - The Hundal family in front of their home in Point Grey, Vancouver [193-?]
RBSC- ARC-1265-1-11- BC1953-27	Item - Snapshot of two unidentified people standing on rafts [192-?]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-12	File - Photograph album 1920-1925
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-13	File - Sikh prayer book [1909]
RBSC-ARC-1265-1-14	File - Sikh prayer book [191-?]