THE MARVIN ROGOFF COLLECTION
Papers 1960-1971
(Primarily 1960-1965)
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The papers of Martin Rogoff were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in April of 1982 by Mr. Rogoff and were opened for research in April, 1988.

Martin Rogoff was born in Brooklyn, New York on August 26, 1927. Mr. Rogoff was a bargaining agent employed by the International Ladies Garment Workers Union (ILGWU) from the mid-fifties until the mid-sixties and one of the original founders of the Federation of Union Representatives (FOUR). From 1967 to 1980 he worked as a civil rights and employment discrimination specialist. At the time the collection was received he was again working as a bargaining agent.

The Marvin Rogoff Collection deals with the formation of FOUR, a proposed union of the bargaining agents of the ILGWU. FOUR was bitterly fought by David Dubinsky, President of the ILGWU. Although the NLRB certified the union, the ILGWU fought the matter through the Federal Court of Appeals. Eventually, the Court upheld the right of bargaining agents to unionize. However, they held that certain challenged ballots had to be counted. The Regional Office of the NLRB had lost the ballots in the intervening years and the Court declared the original election null and void. A new election was never held.

The file contains organizational material, publicity, correspondence, affidavits, legal materials, and clippings regarding FOUR. It is closely related to the personal papers of Charles Lang, held by the this archives, which also include materials and clippings regarding FOUR.

Among important correspondents are:

David Dubinsky John Crowley George Meany Constantine Sedares Gus Sedares

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Non-Manuscript Materials:

Numerous newspapers and magazines relating to the labor movement and FOUR have been placed in the Archives Library.

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