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TITLE: Joseph W. Graham Collection

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2012.013

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: 1950-1963

Extent: .75 linear feet

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Joseph W. Graham

Administrative/Biographical History:
Joseph W. Graham arrived in Spenard, Alaska, circa 1954-1956. He was a co-owner, with W.R. Harvey, of Spenard Cesspool Pumping (also called Alaska Services). He purchased Kwik-Log, Inc. after the company had gone bankrupt. He served as Director of the Spenard Public Utilities District and Director of the Greater Anchorage Health District Board of Directors. Starting in 1963, he worked as an agent for Equitable, Inc., and was also operator of Jet Terminals, Inc., starting in 1961. He was involved with the Alaskan Right to Vote League, of which he served as president; the Foundation for American Principles and Traditions; and the Ptarmigan Toastmasters Club. He died in Anchorage on April 26, 2002, at the age of 80.

Scope and Content Description:
The collection consists of business records, meeting minutes, correspondence, maps, plans, and other ephemera pertaining to Kwik-Log, Inc.; the Spenard Public Utilities District; the Greater Anchorage Health District; and a fundraising campaign for Central Catholic Junior High School.

Arrangement:
Arranged by topic and then chronologically.
CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

Restrictions on Access: The collection is open for research use.

Physical Access: Original items in good condition.

Technical Access: No special equipment is needed to access the materials.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information
Donated by Sean Siegel in June 2012. Siegel found the papers in the home at 4107 Minnesota Drive, Anchorage, which he had purchased from Graham’s heirs. Onsite appraisal was conducted and several boxes of receipts were destroyed, as were all documents too damaged to read.

Processing Notes
Items were cleaned with a soft brush to remove dirt; many items remain soiled.

Separated Materials
“Protect Your Right to Vote” button transferred to Collections.

Notes

RELATED MATERIALS

SUBJECTS
Graham, Joseph W., d. 2002
King, John R., d. 2000
Riley, John
Kwik-Log, Inc.
Property Investments, Inc.
Alaskan Right to Vote League
Central Catholic Junior High School (Anchorage, Alaska)
Public utilities – Alaska – Anchorage
Public utility districts – Alaska – Anchorage
Sewerage – Alaska -- Anchorage
Public health – Alaska – Anchorage
Boroughs – Alaska
Spenard (Anchorage, Alaska)

Detailed Description of the Collection

**B1**
F1 – Kwik-Log Correspondence, 1958-1960
F2 – Kwik-Log Correspondence, Riteway, 1959
F3 – Kwik-Log Orders and Specifications
F4 – Kwik-Log Brochure
F5 – Spenard Public Utilities District Meetings, 1961
F6 – Spenard Public Utilities District Meetings, 1962
F7 – Spenard Public Utilities District Meetings, 1963
F8 – Spenard Public Utilities District Meetings, undated
F9 – Spenard Public Utilities District, Agreements with Spenard Utilities Corporation, 1957, 1962, undated
F10 – Spenard Public Utilities District, Agreements with City of Anchorage, 1950, 1962
F11 – Spenard Public Utilities District, Agreements with Spenard Volunteer Fire Department, undated
F12 – Spenard Public Utilities District, Audit Reports, 1961-1962

**B2**
F1 – Spenard Public Utilities District, Construction Contracts
F2 – Spenard Public Utilities District, Fish Creek Sewer System
F3 – Greater Anchorage Health District Meetings, 1960-1962
F4 – Borough Incorporation, 1961-1962
F5 – Property Investments, Inc. Reports, 1959, 1961
F6 – Alaskan Right to Vote League, 1960-1962
F7 – Central Catholic Junior High School Campaign, 1960
F8 – Miscellaneous
  - Bill for collection. Payable to Alaska Railroad, permit for private road crossing at Mile 0.3 International Airport Spur. June 3, 1963. 1 sheet
  - Flyer. Vote for Joe Graham, House of Representatives. No date [2 copies]
  - Flyer. Joe Graham, Candidate for the House of Representatives. No date [2 copies]

**Oversize materials**
- Plan. The Bitteroot. Hughes Homes Inc., Butte, Montana. 9 sheets [plans for home in Sand Lake area]
- Plat. Inlet Park Subdivision, Unit One, located in Section 4, Township 5 North, Range 11 West of the Seward Meridian, State of Alaska. August 15, 1960. 1 sheet
- Plat. Plat of survey of a portion of Sec. 36, T13N R4W, SM. Territory Supply Lease Area. October 19, 1959. 1 sheet

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