

Finding Aid for the Legal Aid Society of the City and County of St. Louis Records

Descriptive Summary

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Historical Note

Legal Services of Eastern Missouri (LSEM) can trace its roots to volunteerism. The earliest known record of the idea to provide legal help to the poor in the St. Louis area appears in the minutes from a meeting of The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis (BAMSL) in 1911. Services were first provided to the poor by volunteers through BAMSL. A volunteer Legal Aid Bureau was later established by the City of St. Louis.

In 1956 The Legal Aid Society of the City and County of St. Louis was founded as a non-profit corporation to serve the poor with their civil legal needs. In 1978 The Legal Aid Society changed its name to Legal Services of Eastern Missouri due to the expansion of its service area to other counties in the St. Louis area. In 1993 LSEM merged with the Legal Services program in Hannibal, Missouri.

Scope and Content Notes

This collection includes bylaws, committee notes, correspondence, director's reports, minutes, newsletters, press releases programs, statistical reports, and treasurer reports. The material is arranged alphabetically by subject.

Administrative Information

Source of Collection

This material was donated to University Archives between 1970 and 1972 by Hiram Lesar, Dean, Washington University School of Law.

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Treasurer reports