

GERALD B. H. SOLOMON COLLECTION: A Guide to the Collection

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

- Repository:** Crandall Public Library
Center for Folklife, History, and Cultural Programs,
Glens Falls, NY.
- Creator:** Gerald Brooks Hunt Solomon, 1930-2001.
- Title:** Gerald B. H. Solomon Collection.
- Dates:** 1967-1998.
- Abstract:** Gerald B. H. Solomon served as a Town Supervisor in Queensbury, a member of the New York State Assembly, and from 1978-1998 in the U. S. House of Representatives. The Gerald B. H. Solomon Collection contains press releases, 1981-1998; *Congressman Jerry Solomon Reports to the People*, 1980-1997; newspaper clippings, 1971-1994; photograph albums; and papers, awards and letters, 1967-1993.
- Quantity:** 6 cubic feet (4 boxes consisting of 27 volumes and some loose papers)
- Identification Number:** Archives and Manuscripts: Scrapbooks

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Gerald Solomon was born in Okeechobee, Florida on August 14, 1930. He attended public schools in Delmar, New York; attended Siena College, 1949-1950; attended St. Lawrence University, 1953-1954. Solomon served in the Marine Corps in Korea, 1951-1952. He went into business in Glens Falls, was first elected to public office in 1967 as a Town Supervisor in Queensbury, later as a member of the Warren County Board of Supervisors, and in 1972 as a member of the New York State Assembly. In 1978 he was elected to the United States House of Representatives, where he served ten terms representing the 22nd Congressional District in New York State, retiring in 1998. He died on October 26, 2001.

SCOPE AND CONTENT OF THE RECORDS

The Gerald B. H. Solomon Collection documents Solomon's political career, from his election in 1967 as Town Supervisor in Queensbury, until his retirement from the United States House of Representatives in 1998. The collection emphasizes his many campaigns for political office, particularly his campaigns for the House of Representatives. There is also considerable material reporting his service in the House of Representatives. The Gerald B. H. Solomon Collection contains press releases, 1981-1987, 1996-1998; *Congressman Jerry Solomon Reports to the People*, 1980-1997; newspaper clippings, 1971-1984, 1993-1994; photograph albums; papers, awards and letters, 1967-1993; Solomon's book, *The NATO Enlargement Debate, 1990-1997*; and a few miscellaneous papers.

INDEX TERMS

- Topics:** Electioneering— New York (State)
- Places:** New York (State)—Politics and government.
- Organizations:** United States. Congress. House.
- Important People:** Solomon, Gerald B. H., 1930-2001.
- Form/Genre:** Photographs.
Press releases.
Scrapbooks.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

- Preferred Citation:** Gerald B. H. Solomon Collection,
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Crandall Public Library, Glens Falls, NY.
- Accession Information:** Accession number: 2002-007.
Gift of Freda Solomon, January 2002.
- Processing Information:**

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE RECORDS

Box 1 – Press Releases and Reports, 1980-1998.

Scrapbook: Press releases 1, 1981.

Scrapbook: Press releases 2, 1982.

Scrapbook: Press releases 3, 1984-1985.

Scrapbook: Press releases, 1983-1987.

Scrapbook: Press releases 5, 1996-1998.

Scrapbook: *Congressman Jerry Solomon Reports to the People, 1980-1997.*
The NATO Enlargement Debate, 1990-1997 (3 copies)

Box 2 – Newspaper Clippings and other papers, 1971-1993.

Scrapbook: Newspaper clippings, 1971-1976.

Scrapbook: Newspaper clippings, 1979-1981.

Scrapbook: Newspaper clippings, 1980.

Scrapbook: Newspaper clippings, 1982.

Scrapbook: Newspaper clippings, 1984.

Scrapbook: Papers, Awards and Letters, 1967-1993.

Envelope of loose newspaper clippings, unsorted.

Folder of miscellaneous papers, mostly unsorted newspaper clippings.

Box 3 – Newspaper clippings and photographs, 1988-1994 and undated.

Scrapbook: Newspaper clippings, 1993.

Scrapbook: Newspaper clippings, 1993-1994.

Scrapbook: Newspaper clippings, 1993-1994 (with some photographs), concerning
Solomon's possible candidacy for Governor in 1994.

Scrapbook: Newspaper clippings, 1994 (small number)

Photograph Albums (2 smaller ones), showing Solomon campaigning, 1988.

Photograph Album: Desert Storm.

Photograph Album 1: Solomon campaigning, undated.

Box 4 – Photographs, undated.

Photograph Album 2: Solomon in Washington with other important government officials.

Photograph Album 3: Solomon campaigning, undated.

Photograph Album 5: Solomon campaigning, undated.

Photograph Album 6: Solomon campaigning, undated.

Photograph Album:

Photograph Album:

Photograph Album: (with a few newspaper clippings)

Oversize Framed Photograph

"Dutchess County Republican Committee: A Tribute to Congressman Gerald B. Solomon, June 19, 1998" – Framed collage of fourteen photographs showing various aspects of Solomon's life.