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**Alison Palmer Papers, 1937-2010**



From AWTS Alison Palmer Papers, The Burke Library Archives(Columbia Univ. Libraries)  
at Union Theological Seminary, New York

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**Summary Information**

Creator: Alison Palmer, 1931 -  
Title: Alison Palmer Papers  
Inclusive dates: 1937-2010  
Bulk dates: 1960-2010  
Abstract: Foreign Service Officer for the US Department of State, Episcopal priest, "irregularly" ordained in 1975 in Washington, DC as part of the "Washington 4", filed lawsuits for gender discrimination as a Foreign Service Officer and as Episcopal priest. This collection contains liturgies, correspondence, litigation, ordination and Foreign Service documents, photographs, awards, newspaper articles, autobiography and books.  
Size: 48 boxes, 1 half box, 3 outsized horizontal boxes, 27.25 linear ft.  
Storage: Offsite storage  
Repository: The Burke Library  
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## Administrative Information

- Provenance:** Rev. Alison Palmer donated papers to Archives of Women in Theological Scholarship in Summer 2008 and at intervals following this. In 2016, an additional folder was among unprocessed additions in queue for processing. These materials containing one inch of correspondence, timelines and laser jet printed photographs pertaining to recent research on Diane Tickell, one of the Washington Four Episcopalian woman-identified ministers irregularly ordained in the wake of the Philadelphia Eleven. For more information on unprocessed materials, please contact archives staff.
- Access:** Archival papers are available to registered readers for consultation by appointment only. Please contact archives staff by email to [burkearchives@libraries.cul.columbia.edu](mailto:burkearchives@libraries.cul.columbia.edu), or by postal mail to The Burke Library address on page 1, as far in advance as possible. [Burke Library staff](#) is available for inquiries or to request a consultation on archival or special collections research.
- Access Restrictions:** The contents of the final box in Series 5 are **[RESTRICTED]** until January 1<sup>st</sup> 2050. The remainder of the collection is unrestricted. Please note that the naming of any individual within this collection in any Dissertation, thesis, film or publication either printed or virtual is restricted until 1 Jan 2019, unless a prior release in writing from Alison Palmer has been received. It is the responsibility of the researcher to seek this release.
- Preferred Citation:** Item description, folder title, box #, folder #, Alison Palmer Papers, Archives of Women in Theological Scholarship, The Burke Library, Columbia University Libraries, at Union Theological Seminary, New York.

## Biography

Alison "Tally" Palmer was born in Medford, Massachusetts on November 22, 1931. Palmer's mother, Lois Mead Patten Palmer, graduated from Pembroke College of Brown University in 1927 and was a kindergarten teacher in New York State. Patten Palmer was forced by her school district to retire at the age of seventy and she subsequently filed an age discrimination lawsuit which she lost. Palmer's father, C.B. Palmer, was a writer and authored the book *Slightly Cooler in the Suburbs*, published in 1950. Palmer had two siblings, David and Lois.

She graduated from Lynbrook High School, in Long Island, New York in 1949. She received her BA from Pembroke College of Brown University in 1953 and received her MA in African Studies from Boston University in 1970. She also attended American University in 1959 and again in 1970. Palmer studied at Virginia Theological Seminary from 1972-74.

In 1955, Palmer worked for the State Department as a clerk typist. In 1960, she was appointed as a Foreign Service Officer. Palmer worked in Ghana, Congo, British Guiana, Ethiopia, and Vietnam and also took vacation time in Kenya and Angola.

In 1965, the ambassadors of Tanzania and Uganda declined her appointments to their embassies because of her sex. When she was appointed to a post in Ethiopia, she was expected to act as a social secretary to the ambassador's wife. Palmer then filed a grievance to the State Department for sex discrimination. In 1969, the Equal Employment Office of the State Department found in her favor but did not enter the report in her personal file.

Palmer, wanting disciplinary action taken against those who had discriminated against her on the grounds of gender, appealed to the Civil Service Commission board. Hearings were held in June 1971 and found in Palmer's favor. She received retroactive pay and a promotion. In 1976, Palmer filed a class action lawsuit against the State Department for sex discrimination. The case went to the U.S. District Court. Palmer won the case in 1987, with final settlement only reached in 2009.

While in Belgian Congo, in 1962, Palmer "underwent a religious conversion and became a Christian and found strength in God." (See Palmer Autobiography outline within the archival papers) In Vietnam in 1969, Palmer received a calling from the Holy Spirit to become a priest. Despite large scale resistance, Palmer was "irregularly" ordained as a priest in the Episcopal Church by Rev. George W. Barrett, former Bishop of Rochester, in Washington DC on September 7, 1975 along with three others, known as the "Washington Four": Eleanor (Lee) McGee, Dr. Betty Rosenberg and Diane Tickell. Palmer was the thirteenth woman to be ordained in the United States as an Episcopal priest.

While waiting for the Episcopal Church General Convention to resolve the controversy of their ordinations, Dumbarton United Methodist Church in Georgetown offered the use of their facilities to Palmer, Lee McGee, Betty Rosenberg and Alison Cheek (One of the Philadelphia Eleven). In 1977, the Episcopal Church recognized Palmer's ordination.

Throughout her life, Palmer has fought for equal rights, especially for women and gay rights in the church. Palmer currently resides in Cape Cod where she continues to participate in and serve the Wellfleet Retirement Community.

Further Alison Palmer Papers are to be found in the following archival repositories:

Harvard University Library

Arthur and Elizabeth Schlesinger Library on the History of Women in America,

Radcliffe College: Alison Palmer Papers, 1971-1978

[http://oasis.lib.harvard.edu/oasis/deliver/findingAidDisplay?\\_collection=oasis&inoid=5904&histno=2](http://oasis.lib.harvard.edu/oasis/deliver/findingAidDisplay?_collection=oasis&inoid=5904&histno=2)

Copies of transcripts and exhibits of Palmer's hearing before the U.S. Civil Service Commission, initial findings; taped interview of Alison Palmer, concerning her sex Discrimination suit against the U.S. Department of State.

Brown University Library : Alison Palmer papers, 1853-1991, Ms. 90.6

<http://josiah.brown.edu/record=b2498843>

Legal documents relating to Alison Palmer's two lawsuits against the State Department and other materials relating to her work in the Foreign Service and Episcopal ministry. Papers including legal documents of Lois Patten Palmer (Alison's mother); copies of family correspondence; diary and other papers of Clementine Brainerd Weston; and including publications relating to women's liberation.

In addition, an oral history of Alison Palmer is on file in the Christine Dunlap Farnham Archives at Brown University.

## Collection Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of ten series spanning Palmer's careers in the State Department and Episcopal Church, her litigation records, personal materials, drafts for her Autobiography, books, awards and memorabilia.

- **Series 1: Women's Ordination and Liturgies, 1963-2008 (5 boxes, 2.5 linear ft)**  
 The series includes liturgies and sermons by Palmer and her colleagues, biographical and personal information of women ordained by the Episcopal Church and Episcopal bishops. The series also includes materials related to women's ordination and various organizations which support equality in the church such as the Episcopal Women's Caucus and Integrity Gay Episcopal Forum. The series is organized thematically. Chronological organization has been used within thematically organized files.
- **Series 2: Washington Irregular Ordination and Episcopal Church, 1957-2007 (3 boxes, 1 horizontal outsized box, 2.5 linear ft)**  
 This series focuses on the Irregular Ordination of the Washington four and materials relating specifically to Palmer's ordination and service to the Episcopal Church. The series is organized thematically.
- **Series 3: Foreign Service, 1956-2006 (6 boxes, 3 linear ft)**  
 This series contains photographs, newspaper articles, correspondence and documents pertaining to Palmer's work as a Foreign Service officer. The series is organized thematically.
- **Series 4: Litigation, 1968-2010 (12 boxes, 5.75 linear ft)**  
 This series contains trial transcripts, litigation finance records, lawsuit correspondence and memorandums, research, statistics and exhibits used in trials and Palmer's notes pertaining to the lawsuits. The series is organized thematically.  
 It should be noted that Series 4 Box 6 contains source material from the lawsuits suitable for a research project, which has been specifically suggested and set aside by Alison Palmer.
- **Series 5: Family and Personal, 1937-2008 (10 boxes, 5 lin ft)**  
 This series includes personal correspondence organized chronologically. A large proportion of the correspondence is dedicated to her siblings, David and Lois, and her aunt Margaret Symonds. Also included are Palmer's writings, report cards, journals, personal hobbies and interests, medical bills, tax statements, credit card charges and life insurance claims. The series also contains Palmer's participation in Stillpoint Ministries and the Wellfleet Retirement Community. The series is organized thematically.
- **Series 6: Writings and Autobiography, 1931-2002 (2 boxes, 1 linear ft)**

This series is dedicated to Palmer's drafts, correspondence and documents pertaining to her unpublished autobiography, *Palmer versus Church and State*. The series is organized thematically.

- **Series 7: Awards, Diploma, Artwork, General, 1945-2001 (2 boxes, 1 horizontal outsized box, 2 linear ft)**

This series contains Palmer's awards, diplomas, certificates, artwork, passports and memorabilia. The series is organized thematically.

- **Series 8: Books (8 boxes, 4 linear ft)**

This series includes Palmer's personal books. The majority of the books includes explanations or commentary written by Palmer or contain dedications; a few are annotated by Palmer. The books are organized chronologically by their association with Palmer's biography.

- **Series 9: Restricted (1 box, 0 .5 linear ft)**

This box contains Items from series 3-5 which are restricted for content or preservation reasons. Items are listed in this box by original placement location designation in series 3-5,

- **Series 10: Outsize Items: (1 box, 1 linear ft)**

Items from series 5 and 7 which were oversized have been transferred to this carton. Items are listed in this box by original placement location designation in series 5 and 7.

## Processing

Folded materials were flattened. Staples and metal clips were removed and replaced with plastic clips. All materials were placed in acid-free folders and Paige boxes. Acidic paper was replaced with acid free copies.

**Contents List****Series 1: Women's Ordination and Liturgies, 1963-2008**

Series	Box	Folder	Contents
1	1	1	Donation Correspondence, 2008
1	1	2	Blowing in the Wind, St. Columba's Church, Washington DC, 1975
			<b>Liturgy</b>
1	1	3	Eucharist, Nancy Wittig president, Morristown, NJ 1975
1	1	4	Church in Exodus, Georgetown, 1976
1	1	5	Church in Exodus by Julie Stein, [197?]
1	1	6	Church in Exodus-2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Ordination of Allison M. Cheek, 1976
1	1	7	Holy Eucharist -Church in Exodus, [197?]
1	1	8	Ecumenical Women's Coalition Series to Celebrate Women, 1977-
1	1	9	Order for Holy Communion, Ch. of the Apostles, Manchester, 1977
1	1	10	Holy Eucharist Second Service, [197?]
1	1	11	Women come alive Celebration of role of women, 1976
1	1	12	Men Seeking and Becoming, [197?]
1	1	13	Justice-alt. Creed, Georgia Fuller, NWRTE, Sept 1976
1	1	14	Holy Communion, adapted from Rite 2, [1976?]
1	1	15	Sister Celebration, Virginia NOW Conference, March 1976
1	1	16	Ordination and Consecration- Cathedral Church of St. Peter and Paul, Washington DC, 1977
1	1	17	Order of Service-Program for Preparation for Priesthood
1	1	18	Dignity-Integrity Mass: Order of Service
1	1	19	Mercersburg Academy Chapel-Order for Holy Communion
1	1	20	Readings and Texts from Service with Ursula Stone
1	1	21	Songbook- Episcopal Church in Exodus
1	1	22	Song texts
1	1	23	Do You Love Me? Feed My Sheep
1	1	24	Great Thanksgiving
1	1	25	Holy Communion
1	1	26	Holy Eucharist-Episcopal Church in Exodus
1	1	27	Women, Which Way Now?
1	1	28	Service for Ash Wednesday, 1976
1	1	29	Liturgy of Thanksgiving in Celebration of Jeannette Piccard's Birthday
1	1	30	Come to the Table
1	1	31	Thanksgiving Eucharist, 26 July 1975
1	1	32	Prayer Service for Interdependence
1	1	33	Liturgy of Justice
1	1	34	Prayer Service on Racism
1	1	35	Liturgies of Support and Anger
1	1	36	Rite of Becoming
1	1	37	Prayer Service on Sexism
1	1	38	Order for Celebrating the Holy Eucharist
1	1	39	Seder for Young Christians
1	1	40	Celebration and Mary's Song
1	1	41	Sermon Preached at Newcastle, 1977

**Series 1: Women's Ordination and Liturgies, 1963-2008 (Cont'd)**

Series	Box	Folder	Contents
1	1	42	Sermon Program Trinity Sunday-St. John's Church, Ainsdale, 29 May 1994
1	1	43	Readings and Sermon-Church of the Holy Spirit, Cape Cod, MA, 4 July 1996
1	1	44	Domestic Violence 4 May 1997
1	1	45	Special Leaven Insert on Title IV Revisions
1	1	46	National Conference of Christian and Jews Liturgical Interpretation of Passion of Jesus Christ
1	1	47	Liturgy [Untitled]
1	1	48	Readings and Sermon Fragments 1989-97
1	1	49	Liturgy-Ordination of Rev. Mary Michael Simpson, 9 Jan 1977
1	1	50	Notes from First Sermon
1	1	51	Tale of Journeying, Georgia Fuller, 1 May 1977
1	1	52	Man for All Times: The Vision, Leadership, Wisdom of ML King Jr., 1981
1	1	53	In Defense of St. Paul, Jeannette Piccard, 1969
1	1	54	Jeannette Piccard, 1982
1	1	55	The Ordination Circus, Robert W. Cromey, 1975
1	1	56	Existing Canonical Authority for Women's Ordination to All Holy Orders, Henry Rightor, 1975
1	1	57	Project Report-Women in Theological Education--Suzanne Hiatt, 1974
1	1	58-59	Memorial Service for Suzanne Hiatt, VHS, 2002
1	2	1-4	Barbara Clementine Harris Ordination- Newspaper Articles, Video Tapes, Audio Tape, 1994
1	2	5	Richard [Dick] Alan Pihl, 2007
1	2	6	Isabel Carter Heyward 1977-2006
1	2	7	Bishop Robert DeWitt, 2004
1	2	8	Rev. Katrina Swanson, 1977-2005
1	2	9	Bishop George Barrett, 1995-2001
1	2	10	Barbara Edgar, 1996
1	2	11	Ellen F. Cooke, 1995-96
1	2	12	Rev. Canon Ralph Hutton
1	2	13	Bishop David Johnson
1	2	14	Phoebe Willetts, 1977-97
1	2	15	Church of the Apostles Newsletters-Alfred and Phoebe Willetts, 1976-1981
1	2	16	Rev. Elizabeth Canham, 1980-83
1	2	17	Elizabeth Canham-Newspaper Articles
1	2	18	Women and Seminaries
1	2	19	World Community Day, 5 Nov 1993
1	2	20	Foundation for Religious Education on Equality, 1977-79
1	2	21	National Conference of Ordained Women, 1977-78
1	3	1	Women's Ordination Now (WON), 1975-76
1	3	2	Task Force on Women, 1980

**Series 1: Women's Ordination and Liturgies, 1963-2008 (Cont'd)**

Series	Box	Folder	Contents
1	3	3	Christian Parity Group, 1975-80
1	3	4	<i>Journal of Women's Ministries</i> , 1994
1	3	5	Addresses to Executive Council of Episcopal Church, 1995
1	3	6	Episcopal Bishop's Statement on Conscience and Anglican Comprehensiveness and Limits, 1977
1	3	7-8	Clergy Deployment Office of Episcopal Church, 1979
1	3	9	Church and Diocese Annual Reports, 1975-76
1	3	10	Pamphlets and Documents from the Episcopal Church, 1997
1	3	11	Alban Institute Conference on Ordained Women in Ministry, 1984
1	3	12	LEAP Group, St. Paul's Vicarage, 1981-82
1	3	13	Project on the Woman's Movement and the Church, 1971
1	3	14	Handbook for Process of Discernment for Holy Orders, Diocese of MA, 1996
1	3	15	Diocese of Washington, 1975-95
1	3	16	Female Ordination Service Programs and Readings, 1977-80
1	3	17	Church Bulletins, 1963-2003
1	3	18	Church Newsletters, 1974-96
1	3	19	Church in Exodus, 1975-77
1	3	20	Washington Episcopal Clergy Association, 1975-95
1	3	21	Episcopal Clergy Directory, 1980-81
1	3	22	Ruach, Newsletter of the Episcopal Women's Caucus, 1975-84
1	3	23	Ruach Series, 1976
1	3	24	Episcopal Women's Caucus, 1971-82
1	3	25	Project Alpha and Omega, 1977
1	3	26	Church and Society, 1977-78
1	3	27	Support Group for the Ministry of and to Women Priests in England, 1980
1	3	28	Annual House of Bishops, 1974-78
1	3	29	Episcopal Divinity School, 1982
1	3	30	Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) Ratification, 1981-82
1	3	31	Episcopal Women's History Project, 1982
1	4	1	St. Columba's Church Documents, 1974-76
1	4	2	Press Releases, 1971-77
1	4	3	Marriage Licenses, 1976-79
1	4	4	Homosexuality and the Episcopal Church, 1976-2003
1	4	5	Homosexuality and the Church-Newspaper Articles
1	4	6	Integrity Gap Episcopal Forum, Mar 1977-Dec 1979
1	4	7	Gayspring, Sept 1978-Apr 1980
1	4	8	Sexual Misconduct and the Church-Newspaper Articles
1	4	9	Domestic Violence and the Church-Newspaper Articles
1	4	10	Sexual Abuse Correspondence and Episcopal Church, 1998-2003
1	4	11	Episcopal Diocese of MA, Adult Sexual Misconduct Awareness Training Session, 1996
1	4	12	Ordination of Priests Program-Liverpool Cathedral, 1994

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Series	Box	Folder	Contents
1	4	13	Celebrations of Anniversary of Philadelphia Ordinations, 1994
1	4	14	Philadelphia Ordination 20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Button
1	4	15	Philadelphia Ordination-Newspaper Articles
1	4	16	25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Women's Ordination Documents
1	4	17	25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Women's Ordination Correspondence, 1999-2002
1	4	18	The Witness, 1984
1	4	19	Pastoral Brochures
1	4	20	Women in a Changing World, 1975
1	4	21	Woman's Pulpit, 1975
1	4	22	Non-Sexist Hymn Concert Handbook, 1982
1	4	23	Women's Time, 1975
1	4	24-25	Women's Ordination Documents, 1969-75
1	5	1-3	Women's Ordination Documents, 1976-2001
1	5	4	Women's Ordination Documents, undated
1	5	5-13	Women's Ordination Newspaper Articles, 1971--99
1	5	14	Women's Ordination Newspaper Articles, undated

**Series 2: Washington Irregular Ordination and Episcopal Church, 1957-2007**

2	1	1-10	Palmer Ordination Correspondence, 1957-80
2	2	1-5	Palmer Ordination Correspondence, 1981-96
2	2	5	Palmer Ordination Correspondence, undated
2	2	6	Statements of Recommendation for Palmer Ordination
2	2	7	Palmer Statements for Ordination
2	2	8	Palmer Statements of Belief
2	2	9	Palmer Ordination Examination and Evaluation Documents, 1971-74
2	2	10	Palmer Notes about Ordination
2	2	11	The History of my 'Forgery' 15 Sept 1975
2	2	12	Certificate of Ordination, 1975
2	2	13	Washington Ordination Service Program, 1975
2	2	14	Washington Ordination Documents, 1975
2	2	15	Biographies of Figures in Washington Ordination
2	2	16	Washington Ordination Service Readings, 1975
2	2	17-18	Photographs of Washington Ordination to Priesthood, Sept 1975
2	2	19-20	Palmer Ordination Photographs, 1974-75
2	2	21	Palmer <i>Daily Telegraph</i> Photograph-Palmer as Priest, 1976

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Series	Box	Folder	Contents
2	3	1-3	Washington Ordination-Newspaper Articles, 1975-77, 1994-96
2	3	4	History of Women's Ordination in Episcopal Church, CD-ROM
2	3	5	Clergy Deployment Office Personal Profile, 1978
2	3	6	Audio Tapes-BBC Interview at Unitarian Church, 1976 Palmer's 1 <sup>st</sup> Sermon and Communion Palmer Sermon 1995 Eucharist and Sermon, Newcastle upon Tyne, 1977
2	3	7	Audio Tapes-Eucharist, 1976; Monitoradio, 1989
2	3	8	Audio Tapes-Recognition of Palmer Priesthood, 1976 Sermon 1996 Eucharist 1976
2	3	9	BBC Documents, 1976
2	3	10	Palmer Sunday School Talks and Sermons
2	3	11	Address Books 1975, 1978
2	3	12	Bookmark Given to Palmer by Hong Kong Priest, 1970
2	3	13	Washington Episcopal Clergy Association
2	3	14	Palmer Ordination License Renewal
2	3	15	Palmer Ordination Correspondence, 1998-2007
2	3	16	Palmer Episcopal Clerical Directory Documents, 1996-2005
2	3	17	Fresh Winds Blowing-Highlights from Ordination of Barbara Harris
2	3	18	Invoices, 1996-97
2	3	19	Palmer Reports to Washington Diocese, 1978-98
2	3	20	Palmer Clergy Schedules 1997-98
2	4 OS	1	Jacket worn to Lambeth Palace

**Series 3: Foreign Service, 1956-2006**

3	1	1	Cuba Video Tape
3	1	2	Foreign Service Buttons
3	1	3	Accra, Ghana Photos, 1956-58
3	1	4	Congo Glass Bracelets
3	1	5	Congo Color Slides, 1961
3	1	6	Leopoldville, Congo, Photos, 1960-62
3	1	7	Kenya Photos, 1961
3	1	8	British Guiana Photos, 1963-65
3	1	9	Ethiopia Photos, 1966-68
3	1	10	Vietnam Photos, 1968-70
3	1	11	Autograph Book
3	2	1	Department of State Telegrams, 1972-74
3	2	2	Department of State Telegrams, 1972-74
3	2	3	AP CHRONS 1973-74
3	2	4-7	Rhodesian Sanctions Correspondence and Documents

**Series 3: Foreign Service, 1956-2006 (Cont'd)**

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3	3	1	Rhodesian Sanctions Newspaper Articles
3	3	2	Angola
3	3	3	Vietnam
3	3	4	Congo
3	3	5	International Labor Organization (ILO) Documents and Memos
3	3	6	ILO Correspondence, 1977
3	3	7	ILO Notes
3	3	8	ILO Press Releases
3	3	9	ILO Memoranda, 1977
3	3	10	US Participation in ILO Not Effectively Managed, 1970
3	3	11	ILO Conference Nametag
3	3	12	David Horowitz's Schedules for ILO Conference
3	3	13	Review of Economic Progress in 1977 by Palmer
3	3	14	UNESCO-NGO Forum, Copenhagen, 1980
3	3	15	Iranian Hostages
3	3	16	Iranian Hostages-Newspaper Articles
3	3	17	Free the Hostages Pin
3	3	18-19	Terrorism Documents
3	4	1-2	Terrorism Correspondence, 1969-1998
3	4	3	Terrorism Newspaper Articles
3	4	4	Terrorism Notes
3	4	5	Hostage Survival, Brian Michael Jenkins, 1975
3	4	6	Freedom of Information Act
3	4	7	Federal Register, 1978-80
3	4	8	Tax Forms
3	4	9	Foreign Service Earnings and Leave Statements
3	4	10	Foreign Service Life Insurance and Annuity
3	4	11-12	Foreign Service Correspondence, 1961-1982
3	4	13	Department of State Uniform Regulations
3	4	14	Foreign Service Photographs
3	4	15	Foreign Service Travel Reimbursement
3	4	16	Foreign Service Health Benefits and Records
3	4	17	Foreign Service Memoranda
3	4	18	Declassified Foreign Service Documents, 1957-80
3	5	1-2	Declassified Foreign Service Documents, 1957-80
3	5	3	Performance Rating Reports-Tab D Declassified
3	5	4	Foreign Service Notes
3	5	5	Palmer Notes about Foreign Service
3	5	6	Foreign Service Efficiency Reports
3	5	7	Foreign Service Officer Evaluation Reports
3	5	8	Palmer Officer Evaluation Reports
3	5	9	Foreign Service Bills, Receipts and Notifications

**Series 3: Foreign Service, 1956-2006 (Cont'd)**

Series	Box	Folder	Contents
3	5	10	Foreign Service Fragments
3	5	11	Foreign Service Guidelines and Regulations
3	5	12	Foreign Service Act
3	5	13	Foreign Service Press Releases
3	5	14	Foreign Service Newspaper Articles
3	6	1	Department of State Handbook, 1963
3	6	2	Congressional Records, 1971
3	6	3	Audio Tape Palmer Interview with Nicholas Suckecki on Vietnam, 2006
3	6	4	Women at State
3	6	5	Foreign Service Journal, 1991
3	6	6	Larry Devlin
3	6	7	Reform of Foreign Service Personnel System
3	6	8	Foreign Service Reunion, 1994
3	6	9	Assistant Secretary General of Colombo Plan
3	6	10	Video Tape-Wind of Change: End of Colonialism in Africa
3	6	11	[RESTRICED transferred to Series 9 Restricted box] Knife

**Series 4: Litigation, 1968-2010**

4	1	1-10	Palmer/Cooper v. Baker
4	2	1-10	Palmer/Cooper v. Baker
4	2	11-12	Palmer/Cooper v. Baker, 1990
4	2	13	Palmer/Cooper v. Baker, 1991
4	2	14	Palmer/Cooper v. Baker, 1992
4	3	1	Palmer /Cooper v. Shultz, 1982-83
4	3	2-4	Palmer/Cooper v. Shultz, 1984
4	3	5	Palmer/Cooper v. Shultz, 1984-85
4	3	6	Palmer/Cooper v. Shultz, 1985
4	3	7	Palmer/Cooper King v. Shultz, 1987
4	4	1	Palmer/Cooper v. Shultz
4	4	2	Ehrman Case, 1972
4	4	3	Lindsay Case, 1972
4	4	4	Horace Mace, 1972-75
4	4	5	King v. Vance; Palmer v. Vance, 1978
4	4	6-7	Palmer/Cooper King v. Vance, 1979-1980
4	4	8	Palmer v. Vance, 1980
4	4	9-10	Palmer v. Rogers, 1972
4	4	11-12	Palmer v. Kissinger, 1974
4	4	13	Palmer/Cooper v. Baker/Taubenfeld, 1990
4	4	14-15	Palmer/Cooper v. Christopher, 1992

**Series 4: Litigation, 1968-2010(Cont'd)**

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4	5	2-3	Palmer/Cooper v. Christopher, 1995
4	5	4	Palmer/Cooper v. Christopher
4	5	5	Palmer/Cooper v. Haig, 1981
4	5	6	Palmer/Cooper v. Haig Correspondence, 1981
4	5	7-8	Nunes-Correia v. Vance, 1979-81
4	5	9	Palmer v. Muskie, 1980-81
4	5	10-11	Palmer/Cooper King v. Muskie, 1981
4	5	12	Palmer v. Muskie Correspondence, 1980-81
4	5	13	Statement by Women's Action Organization, Cooper King, 1979
4	5	14	Wendt Trial, 1975
4	5	15	Wendt Trial Name tag, 1975
4	5	16	Silver/Tobler v. Pacific Press, 1975
4	6	1	Palmer/Cooper v. Colin Powell, 1994
4	6	2	Palmer/Cooper v. Condoleeza Rice, 2006
4	6	3-4	Palmer/Cooper v. Albright
4	6	5	Schiess v. Cole, 1975
4	6	6	McClure v. Salvation Army
4	6	7	EEO Hearings, Summer 1971
4	6	8	Testimony by Georgiana Prince, 1985
4	6	9	Ben Read, Court Documents, 1978-79
4	6	10	Lawrence Bennett, 1978-79
4	6	11	Plaintiff's Witness List
4	6	12	Plaintiff's Exhibit 103, Promotion and Assignments, State Dept, 1985
4	6	13	Audio Tapes: Palmer Litigation, 1990
4	6	14	Whilden
4	6	15	FSO Litigation Court Reports
4	7	1	Undated Plaintiff's Documents
4	7	2-4	Litigation Memoranda, 1969- 1997
4	7	5-7	Litigation Finances, 1972- 1993
4	7	8	Lawsuit Finances
4	7	9	Overtime Claims
4	7	10	Payroll Slips
4	7	11	FSO Exam Statistics
4	7	12	Congressional Records
4	7	13	FSO Grievance, 1977
4	8	1	FS Officer Training Application, 1979
4	8	2	Press Releases
4	8	3	General flyers and Documents
4	8	4-6	General Litigation Documents
4	8	7-14	Litigation Correspondence, 1968-1985

**Series 4: Litigation, 1968-2010 (cont'd)**

Series	Box	Folder	Contents
4	9	1-11	Litigation Correspondence, 1986- 1996
4	10	1-7	Litigation Correspondence, 1997- 2009
4	10	8	Litigation Correspondence, undated
4	10	9	Lawsuit
4	10	10	Proposed Remedies, 1971
4	10	11	Transcripts of Interviews
4	10	12	Foreign Affairs Manuals, 1968-78
4	10	13	Investigation on Status of Women
4	10	14	Interim Report by Task Force on Sex Discrimination, 1978
4	10	15	Women in FSO Statistics
4	10	16	Six-Year Window
4	10	17	Women's Action Organization (WAO) 20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 1990
4	10	18	WAO Statement on Foreign Service Act, 1979
4	10	19	Statistical Evidence Further Demonstrates Systemic Sex Discrimination by Dept. of State
4	10	20	American Federation of Government Employees, 1975
4	10	21	WCA Address Master File
4	10	22	Department of State Notices, 1973-94
4	10	23	Department of State Newsletters, 1976-92
4	10	24	Department of State Bulletin, 1982
4	10	25	Department of State Assessment Forms
4	10	26	Department of State Federal Register
4	10	27	FSO Litigation News Articles
4	10	28	Gender Studies Paper
4	10	29	Palmer's Notes re Class Action Lawsuit, 2010
4	11	1	Class Action Lawsuit News Articles
4	11	2	Junior Officer Register, 1991
4	11	3	Accountability
4	11	4	Palmer Defendants-Training, 1994
4	11	5	Women's Class Action Lawsuit, 1995
4	11	6	Proposed Consent-Women's Class Action Lawsuit
4	11	7	Consent Decrees, 1995
4	11	8	Council for Equality in the Workplace
4	11	9	Federal Register, 1992
4	11	10	Council on Equality in the Workplace Annual Report
4	11	11	AFSA News
4	11	12	US Department of State Website, 2001
4	11	13	<i>State Magazine</i>
4	11	14	FSO Litigation Notes
4	11	15	FSO Litigation Notes
4	11	16	Lawsuit Notebook
4	11	17	Palmer Notes about Lawsuits, 2010

**Series 4: Litigation, 1968-2010**

Series	Box	Folder	Contents
4	11	18-19	FSO Litigation Newspaper Articles
4	11	20	Women's Action Committee, 1987
4	11	21	Minorities and Women are Underrepresented in the Foreign Service
4	11	22	Winds of Change in the Establishment
4	11	23	[RESTRICED transferred to Series 9 Restricted box] Damaged audiotape: Foreign Service Phone Call
4	12	1	Project Source Material re Lawsuit

**Series 5: Family and Personal, 1937-2008**

5	1	1	Sailing
5	1	2	School Projects, Programs, Correspondence, 1942-48
5	1	3	School Report Cards, Graduation, Projects, Correspondence, 1949-53
5	1	4	Baby New Year Crown, 1937
5	1	5	The Call of the Running Tide- photocopy
5	1	6	The Call of the Running Tide, 1949
5	1	7	Nature Journals, 1982-99
5	1	8	Westward Look and Poem, 1951/81
5	1	9	Don Robbins Case, 2001
5	1	10	Patten/Palmer Family Audio Tape of Songs
5	1	11	Patten Estate Vanguard, 1994-96
5	1	12	Chestnut Hill Benevolent Association, 1998-2005
5	1	13	Margaret (Peg) Symmonds (Palmer's aunt)
5	1	14-19	[RESTRICED transferred to Series 9 Restricted box] Personal Financial
5	1	20	First Alert Complaint, 2000
5	2	1-5	[RESTRICED transferred to Series 9 Restricted box] Personal Financial
<b>Personal Correspondence</b>			
5	2	6-7	Report Cards, Programs, [1951-1952?
5	2	8-9	Kay Hoyt
5	2	10	1937-41
5	2	11-13	1953-1957
5	2	14	1957 (see Series 10. outsize box)
5	2	15-17	1958- 1961
5	3	1-4	1962-1970
5	3	5	1968
5	3	6-9	1982-1985
5	4	1	1985-88
5	4	2-5	1986-88
5	4	6	1988-96
5	4	7-19	1988-89

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Series	Box	Folder	Contents
<b>Personal Correspondence</b>			
5	5	1-11	1989-1993
5	6	1-9	1993-1996
5	7	1-14	1995-1998
5	8	1-9	1999-2004
5	9	1-10	2004-2008
5	9	11	David and Lois Palmer [siblings]
5	10	1-2	Lois Weston Palmer [sister]
5	10	3	General Personal Notes and Correspondence
5	10	4	Stillpoint Ministries
5	10	5	<i>Slightly Cooler in the Suburbs</i> , C.B. Palmer [1950]
5	10	6-7	Wellfleet Retirement Documents and Correspondence
5	10	8	Wellfleet Retirement News Articles
5	10	9	Wellfleet Correspondence and Notes
5	10	10	Wellfleet Post Office Complaint, 1997
5	10	11	Contemplative Resources for the New Millennium, 2000
5	10	12	Cape Cod Colloquia, 2001
5	10	13	Zen/Buddhism
5	10	14	Dog Complaint, 1997

**Series 6: Autobiography and Writings, 1931-2002**

6	1	1	Detailed History
6	1	2	Religious Experience, 1931-75
6	1	3	Important People and Events
6	1	4	Autobiography -Letters
6	1	5	Chapter Outlines
6	1	6	Dedication to Autobiography
6	1	7	Unique Beginning for an Autobiography
6	1	8	Introduction
6	1	9	Prologue
6	1	10	Chapter One
6	1	11	Chapter Two
6	1	12	Unnumbered Chapter
6	1	13	Untitled Chapters
6	1	14	Autobiography Chapters
6	1	15	Chapter-June 1960

**Series 6: Autobiography and Writings, 1931-2002 (Cont'd)**

Series	Box	Folder	Contents
6	1	16	Joining the Foreign Service
6	1	17	Two Days in the Life of a Diplomat
6	1	18	CD ROM, Scrapbook Photos, vol 2
6	1	19-20	Scrapbook-Palmer v. Church and State, vol 1, 1955-76
6	1	21	Scrapbook-Palmer v. Church and State, vol 2, 1977-2002
6	1	1	Scrapbook-Palmer v. Church and State, vol 2, 1977-2002
6	2	2	Autobiography Correspondence
6	2	3	Intelligence Research Specialist
6	2	4	Officer Evaluation Reports
6	2	5	Recipes
6	2	6	Vision Prescription
6	2	7	Male Officers Assigned to Positions
6	2	8	Comparison of Hardy and Palmer
6	2	9	Responses to Autobiographical Questions
6	2	10	Episcopal Clergy Directory Entry
6	2	11	Church of England Notes
6	2	12	Autobiography News Articles
6	2	13	Status Clarification, 1976
6	2	14	Autobiography Fragments
6	2	15	Background Information
6	2	16	Assorted Writings
6	2	17	Audio Tape-Interviews of Palmer/Sarkees/McGlen
6	2	18	Sarkees/McGlen/Palmer Correspondence, 1990-93
6	2	19	Status of Women in Foreign Policy, McGlen and Sarkees
6	2	20	Women in Foreign Policy: The Insiders, McGlen and Sarkees
6	2	21	Palmer Interview with McGlen and Sarkees
6	2	22	Autobiography Photos
6	2	23	Autobiography Correspondence
6	2	24	Genealogy
6	2	25	Autobiography Notes

**Series 7: Awards, Diploma, Books, Artwork, General, 1945-2001**

7	1	1	[transferred to Series 10 outside box] Panda-Bear picture
7	1	2	Art Paintings and Sketches
7	1	3	Self-Portrait
7	1	4	Art and Music
7	1	5	Girl Scout Badge
7	1	6	Superior Honor Award
7	1	7	Superior Honor Award
7	1	8	Awards Notes
7	1	9	Rivkin Award, 1976
7	1	10	[transferred to Series 10 outside box] William Scarlett Award, 1994

**Series 7: Awards, Diploma, Books, Artwork, General, 1945-2001, (cont'd)**

Series	Box	Folder	Contents
7	1	11	Kellogg Lectures, 1994 (see outside box)
7	1	12	Department of State Certificates of Appreciation, 1975, 1980
7	1	13	Service in Vietnam Award, 1969
7	1	14	[transferred to Series 10 outside box] Foreign Service Appointment Certificates, 1960-68,
7	1	15	Authorization, Republic of Congo, 1960
7	1	16	Appointment Certificate: Vice-Consul British Guiana, 1963
7	1	17	Georgetown Pony Club Awards, 1963-65
7	1	18	[transferred to Series 10 outside box] Ordination Certificates, 1974
7	1	19	[transferred to Series 10 outside box] Dept. of State Meritorious Honor Award, 1970
7	1	20	[transferred to Series 10 outside box] The Witness Award, 1994
7	1	21	American University Certificate, 1970
7	1	22	Cape Cod Senior Center Awards, 1984-2001
7	1	23	Atlantic Avenue School Commencement, 1945
7	1	24	Lynbrook High School Diploma, 1949
7	1	25	New York State Diploma, 1949
7	1	26	Brown University Diploma, 1953
7	1	27	Boston University Diploma, 1970
7	1	28	Vaccination Certificates, 1960-68
7	1	29	Passports
7	2	1	Chalice and Candlestick, 1975
7	2	2	American Flag Garment, Congo, 1960-62
7	3	3	Congo Independence, 1960
7	3	4	Free the Hostages, 1981
7	3	1	CORDS Service Award, Vietnam, 1968-70
7	3	2	Department of State Recognition for 26 years of Service, 1981
7	3	3	Final Settlement Check, 1976
7	3	4	[transferred to Series 10 outside box] Framed Final Settlement Check, 1976

**Series 8: Books**

8	1	1	Confirmation Certificate and Holy Communion, CL Slattery
8	1	2	New Testament
8	1	3	Palmer's First Bible
8	1	4	Gospels from Aramaic translated by Lamsa
8	1	5	Four Translation New Testament
8	2	1	Book of Common Prayer and Baptism Certificate (1962)
8	2	2	Problem of Pain, C.S. Lewis from Palmer's time in Ethiopia
8	2	3	Risk-Worship Book, (1975)
8	2	4	Welcome Ethiopia

**Series 8: Books (Cont'd)**

Series	Box	Folder	Contents
8	2	5	Prayer Book for the Armed Forces (1967)
8	2	6	I Leap Over the Wall, Monica Baldwin
8	2	7	Called and Chosen, Monica Baldwin
8	3	1	Palmer's New Testament for Housechurch Services
8	3	2	Book of Common Prayer from St. Columba's Church (1962)
8	3	3	In This House of Brede by Rumer Godden
8	4	1	Jerusalem Bible-gift from Bishop Barrett
8	4	2	Freedom of the Christian, ed. W. Barclay and F.F. Bruce
8	5	1	Cost of Discipleship, D. Bonhoeffer
8	5	2	New English Bible
8	5	3	Through and Beyond Bereavement, Alfred Willetts
8	5	4	Theological Word Book of the Bible
8	5	5	Services of the Church used at Wellfleet
8	5	6	Congregational Beth El of Sudbury River Valley
8	5	7	New Strength, A New Song, Margaret Webster
8	6	1	Meet Mrs. Moses, Phoebe Willetts
8	6	2	Invisible Bars, P. Willetts
8	6	3	Sharing a Vision, P. Willetts
8	6	4	Flesh of My Flesh, Una Kroll
8	6	5	New Zealand Prayer Book, gift from Elizabeth Canham
8	6	6	Notes on Liz Canham and Stillpoint
8	7	1	Journaling with Jeremiah, Elizabeth Canham
8	7	2	Table of Delight, Elizabeth Canham
8	7	3	Heart Whispers, Elizabeth Canham
8	7	4	Where Love and People Are, given by Elizabeth Canham
8	7	5	Praying the Bible, Elizabeth Canham
8	7	6	Chapters in Church History, Powel Mills Dawley
8	7	7	Whispered Reflections, Joyce Harding
8	7	8	We Would See Jesus, Roy Hession
8	7	9	Welcome to Episcopal Church in Scotland and Scottish Liturgy (1982)
8	8	1	Great Divorce, C.S. Lewis
8	8	2	Pilgrimage to Priesthood, Elizabeth Canham
8	8	3	Living with Contradiction, Esther de Waal
8	8	4	Every Earthly Blessing, Esther de Waal
8	8	5	Celtic Way of Prayer, Esther de Waal

**Series 9: RESTRICTED**

Original location series/box/folder

3	6	11	RESTRICTED FSO Knife
4	11	23	RESTRICTED Damaged Tape: Foreign Service Phone Call
5	1	14-19	RESTRICTED Personal Financial
5	2	1-5	RESTRICTED Personal Financial

**Series 10 Oversized Items**

Original location series/box/folder

5	2	14	Ghana Map: Personal Correspondence 1957
7	1	1	Panda Bear Picture, 1941
7	1	2	Art Paintings and Sketches
7	1	11	Kellogg Lectures Poster, 1994
7	1	14	Foreign Service Appointment Certificates, 1960-68
7	1	18	Ordination Certificates, 1974
7	1	19	Department of State Meritorious Honor Award
7	3	4	Final Settlement, 1976