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Summary Information

Repository: Langsdale Library Special Collections
Title: Fred E. Weisgal Papers
ID: R0161.FEW
Date [bulk]: 1940s to 1980s
Physical Description: 4.5 Linear feet
Language of the Material: English

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Biographical / Historical

Fred Weisgal was a prominent civil rights attorney in Baltimore during the mid-twentieth century. A graduate of the University of Baltimore’s School of Law, Weisgal worked for the ACLU of Maryland and represented the first African American student to gain admission to the Maryland Institute College of Art in 1947. He successfully argued before the Supreme Court for reforms to rights for persons arrested for serious crimes. Weisgal represented atheist Madalyn E. Murray and Baltimore’s Catholic antiwar activists, the Berrigan brothers. He also helped strike down racially restrictive residential covenants, which had their genesis in Baltimore with the Roland Park Company.

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Content Description

The collection contains the personal papers of Fred Weisgal, a prominent Baltimore civil rights attorney. Record types include correspondence to and from Mr. Weisgal, published legal briefings, legal case files, and newspaper clippings.

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