

Inventory of the

Ombudsman Office

Records

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Northern Illinois University Archives

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INTRODUCTION

Material from the Ombudsman Office came to the University Archives in several installments. Additional materials will be added to these files and there are no restrictions on access.

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

The position of Ombudsman was created in 1969 to handle complaints and grievances of faculty, staff, and students. Michael McDermott started work as the first NIU Ombudsman on September 10, 1969 and served until 1971. He was followed by Don Snow, 1971-1975; David L. Knowlton, 1975-1977; Don Snow, Acting Ombudsman, 1977; Leon M. Miller, 1978-1983; Patricia M. Lambert, Acting Ombuds Officer 1983-1985, and Ombudsman, 1985-1986; Arnold B. Fox, Interim Ombudsman, April 1, 1986-1987; Bertrand J. Simpson, Jr., 1987-1990; Stacey E. Dolby, Jr., Interim Ombudsman, 1990-1991, and Tim Griffin, 1991-2012. Sarah Klaper is the current Ombudsperson.

For information on the decision to establish an Ombudsman Office researchers are referred to the early history found in file one of this record group and should also consult the NIU Archives holdings in the Boards, Councils, and Committees record group.

COLLECTION INVENTORY

<u>BOX</u>	<u>FOLDER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1	1	Historical Information on NIU Ombudsman Office, 1969-1976
	2	Applications and Resumes, 1970-1971
	3-5	Annual Reports, 1969-2000, 2004
	6	Program Review, 1990
	7	Ombudsman Search Controversy, 1971
	8	Ombudsman Review Committee, 1978-1983
	9	Patricia Lambert's Resignation, 1986