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Summary Information

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Biographical Note

Lawrence A. Kobrin was born in New York City in 1933. He earned both his BA (1954) and JD (1957) at Columbia University. At the College, he was an associate editor of the student newspaper, the Spectator; one of the three founding editors of the Columbia College Journal of Social Sciences; secretary and vice-president of the I.Z.F.A.; and a key member of the College Elections Commission. At the Law School, he was a Kent Scholar (1954-1955), a Stone Scholar (1954-1957), and the notes editor of the Columbia Law Review. He is an attorney and Senior Counsel at the firm Cahill Gordon & Reindel.

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Content Description

This collection includes Kobrin's student files, course materials, memorabilia, and textbooks. There is also correspondence with Columbians, Class of 1954 materials, and a copy of Kobrin's memoir "Looking Back from Here" (2019).

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Publication Statement

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Related Materials

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Yeshiva University holds a collection of [Lawrence Kobrin papers](#), focusing on his role as "a leading Jewish communal figure who has dedicated much of his life to Jewish causes and to the work of a variety of Jewish organizations."

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Controlled Access Headings

- College students
- Columbia College (Columbia University)
- Columbia Daily Spectator (Organization)
- Columbia University. School of Law

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
Correspondence		
Chamberlain, Lawrence H., 1958	box 1	folder 1
Columbia University, 1988-2003	box 1	folder 2

Scope and Contents

(Correspondence, donations, and alumni matters)

Graff, Henry, 1961	box 1	folder 3
Sovern, Michael I., 1978-1992	box 1	folder 4
Stern, Fritz, 1980	box 1	folder 5
Truman, David, 1969	box 1	folder 6
Wouk, Herman, 1995-2014	box 1	folder 7
Course materials		
British Constitutional History, 1950s	box 1	folder 8
Scope and Contents		
(Syllabus and class notes. According to Kobrin, "one of the most popular courses at the time and considered 'must' for pre-law students.")		
Contemporary Civilization, 1952-1953	box 1	folder 9
Scope and Contents		
(Outline and assignments, review questions)		
Looking Back from Here: A Personal Memoir, 2019	box 1	folder 10
Memorabilia		
Columbia Bicentennial programs, 1954	box 1	folder 11
Scope and Contents		
(Convocations and Alexander Hamilton Dinner)		
Columbia College Journal of Social Sciences, 1954	box 1	folder 12
Scope and Contents		
(Issue I, Volume 1)		
Commencement, 1954	box 1	folder 13
Scope and Contents		
(Bulletin and a program for Columbia College Senior Week, May 27-June 1, 1954)		
Commencement, 1957	box 1	folder 14
Scope and Contents		
(Bulletin and Columbia Alumni News July 1957 issue)		
Law Review credential, 1955-1957	box 1	folder 15

Law School Centennial program, 1958	box 1	folder 16
Spectator press credential, 1950s	box 1	folder 17
Photographs, 1954	box 1	folder 18
Scope and Contents		
(37 black-and-white, 3.5" x 4.5" snapshots of Lawrence Kobrin and friends around campus in May/June 1954 and images of 1954 Commencement.)		
Student files		
Scope and Contents		
(Correspondence, receipts, tickets, newspaper clippings, photographs, class materials, etc.)		
Freshman Year, 1950-1951	box 1	folder 19
Sophomore Year, 1951-1952	box 1	folder 20
Junior Year, 1952-1953	box 1	folder 21
Senior Year, 1953-1954	box 1	folder 22
Law School I, 1954-1955	box 1	folder 23
Law School II, 1955-1956	box 1	folder 24
Law School III, 1956-1957	box 1	folder 25
Subject files		
7th District Democratic primaries, 1953	box 1	folder 26
Campus secret societies, 1954	box 1	folder 27
Scope and Contents		
(According to Kobrin, "A files of student correspondence from 1954 when there was a big campus fuss over the place of secret societies. It all led to nothing more than a Spectator editorial but did involve the Deans and considerable campus excitement.")		
Class of 1954, 1954-1961	box 1	folder 28
College Elections Commission, 1954	box 1	folder 29
Columbia College, 1950-1954	box 1	folder 30
Scope and Contents		
(Application process, academic record correspondence and graduation awards.)		
Columbia Daily Spectator, 1953-1954	box 1	folder 31-32

Physical Description: 2 folders

Law school admission, 1954	box 1	folder 33
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Scope and Contents

(Application essay, admission letter, scholarship offer, etc.)

Textbooks

Chapters in Western Civilization, 1948	box 1	folder 34
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Scope and Contents

(Volumes I-II, with some underlining)

Introduction to Contemporary Civilization in the West: A Sourcebook, 1950	box 1	folder 35
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Scope and Contents

(Volumes I-II, with some underlining)