PRELIMINARY INVENTORY S0041 (SA2368, SA2479, SA2552, SA2835, SA3314, SA3717, SA4175, SA4433) CITIZENS FOR GLOBAL SOLUTIONS RECORDS

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Introduction

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Citizens for Global Solutions of St. Louis was founded in 1949 as an affiliate of the World Federalists Association, a national organization established in 1947. First known as the United World Federalists, Inc. (UWF), the goal of this political action lobbying organization is world peace, where enforceable law replaces armed conflict. The group hoped that the United Nations would be transformed into a world federal government with limited powers adequate to make, enforce, and interpret world laws to maintain peace and prevent aggression. The United World Federalists, Inc. was reorganized in 1975 as an educational organization, the World Federalists Association.

Soon after the national organization was formed in 1947, city and state chapters were organized throughout the United States. Several chapters emerged in the St. Louis area numbering almost a thousand members in the early 1950s but declining to little more than a hundred members by 1970. The chapters merged into one organization, the World Federalists Association of Greater St. Louis, and members continue to be involved in educational and political action work seeking to promote world peace through world law. The Missouri State Branch of UWF was formed in 1949.

The UWF reorganized in administrative structure in 1954, replacing the state branches with nine regional organizations, with Missouri grouped into the Midwest Region with Illinois, Iowa, and Wisconsin. The primary function of the Midwest Region was to stimulate federalist's activities in the area and coordinate political action within the four states. In 2003, the national organization and the St. Louis chapter changed its name to Citizens for Global Solutions.

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