

**PRELIMINARY INVENTORY**  
**S0359 (SA3115)**  
**ADULT ABUSE REMEDIES ACT RECORDS**

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**Introduction**

Approximately 0.04 cubic foot, 23 folders

The collection documents the effort by the Legal Services of Eastern Missouri to promote the passage in Missouri of a law to protect battered women. The law passed in early 1980 but was found to be unconstitutional by a circuit judge later that year. The Missouri Supreme court upheld the law in 1982. The collection contains correspondence, newspaper clippings, court briefs, and other materials relating to the lobbying effort of Legal Services of Missouri between 1978 and the passage of the Adult Abuse Remedies Act in 1980.

**Donor Information**

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**Box List**

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AARB, first organizational mailing, 1978  
AARC newsletter, 1978  
Adult Abuse, record of changes, part I, 1977-1982  
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After passage information, 1980-1981  
Candidates questionnaire, 1978  
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Fee for abuse shelters, 1982  
House bill 498, 1979  
Legislative organizing work, 1978-1980  
Lobbying material and voting records, 1979-1980  
Marital rape, 1979-1980  
Memos to legislators, 1980  
Missouri Supreme Court, briefs, 1980-1981  
New support letters, 1979-1980  
News releases and media info., 1978-1980  
Newspaper clippings, 1978-1981  
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Responses to questionnaire, 1978-1979  
SB 524, paste-ups, 1979  
St. Louis Coalition on Adult Abuse, 1979  
Women's organizations, no date