



## Tri-State Mining Superfund Site Records (SP0019)

**Collection Number:** SP0019

**Collection Title:** Tri-State Mining Superfund Site Records

**Dates:** 1945-2017

**Creator:** Givone, Shanen

**Abstract:** The Tri-State Mining Superfund Site records contain the research of Shanen Givone into the environmental impact of nuclear contamination and mining in the Joplin area and into Kansas.

**Collection Size:** 1.0 cubic foot  
(57 folders)

**Language:** Collection materials are in English.

**Repository:** The State Historical Society of Missouri

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**Donor Information:** The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Shanen Givone on June 15, 2017 (Accession No. SPA0025).

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**Historical Note:**

The Spencer Chemical Company operated a site at the Jayhawk Ordnance Works. It was founded by Charles Spencer, who also formed an offshoot company from his Pittsburg and Midway Coal Mining Company. He formed the company for his son, Kenneth, who had recently graduated as a chemical engineer. They named the new company the "Mineral Products Inc." Kenneth eventually invented a process for separating minerals known as the "differential cone." Kenneth went on to head the Military Chemical Works, Inc., which was located at the Jayhawk Ordnance Works. For \$1.00 per year, he assumed the title of Defense Contract Coordinator of the Office of Production Management for the Tenth Federal Reserve District. Charles Spencer died of a mysterious illness after visiting the plant.

**Arrangement:**

The collection has been arranged in its original order in fifty-seven folders.

**Scope and Content Note:**

The Tri-State mining Superfund Site Records consist of environmental tests and articles pertaining to the history of the Spencer Chemical, Jayhawks Works, Atlas and various other companies. The collection is organized in its original order.

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