Freddye Scarborough Henderson papers, circa 1940-1992

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Freddye Scarborough Henderson papers, circa 1940-1992  
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 1259  
Extent: 2 linear feet (2 boxes), 1 oversized papers box (OP), 1 oversized bound volume (OBV), and AV Masters: .25 linear feet (CLP5)  
Abstract: Papers of Freddye Scarborough Henderson, African American travel agent and businesswoman, including correspondence, photographs, printed material, and sound recordings.  
Language: Materials entirely in English.

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Biographical Note
Freddye Scarborough Henderson (1917-2007), African American travel agent and businesswoman, founded Henderson Travel with her husband, Jacob, in 1955. Henderson Travel was the first African American owned travel agency in Atlanta, Georgia, and the company specialized in arranging tours of Africa for African Americans. They also worked closely with civil rights leaders such as Andrew Young and Martin Luther King, Jr. to arrange travel.

Prior to joining the tourism business, Henderson was the first African American woman in the United States to receive a master’s degree in Fashion Merchandising. She subsequently owned her own fashion design and custom dress shop in Atlanta, and also worked as a fashion columnist for the Associated Negro Press.

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of the papers of Freddy Scarborough Henderson from circa 1940-1992. Included in the collection are correspondence, photographs, printed material, and sound recordings. The papers document Henderson's personal life and business including some records relating to her husband, Jacob. There are also papers documenting her involvement with other civic organizations.

Arrangement Note
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| CLP5 - | "Mooseheart, City of Orphans," McCall's Open Interview with Paul Schmitz, Director General Loyal Order of Moose, 1954 (side A) [original: LP]  
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| 2 - | Correspondence, photographs, printed material |
| OP1 1 | Drawing |
| OBV1 - | Scrapbook of sample travel brochures |