**Wolman (M. Gordon) 1924-2010**  
**Papers 1913-2011**  
**MS 554**

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**Provenance**  
The papers were donated by the Wolman family in 2011. The papers had been collected from Wolman’s campus office in Ames Hall, several departmental storage areas, and his home.

**Biographical Sketch**  
Markley Gordon Wolman was geomorphologist whose passion for his discipline, dedication to his work, and his uniquely creative ways of looking at problems, resulted in a wide-ranging career. According to the National Academy of Sciences memoir, he will be remembered for a career based on research and teaching methods that applied Earth science to questions of environmental management and public policy.1 Among the many hats he wore were scientist, environmental activist, teacher and mentor, university administrator, and government advisor on the local, state, national and international level. For a chronology of Wolman’s career, consult his curriculum vita in box 59.

Wolman was born in 1924 in Baltimore the son of Anne and Abel Wolman. His father was a sanitary engineer whose accomplishments ranged from developing chlorinated water, to designing water supply systems for cities throughout the world, to advising on the safe use of nuclear power. The younger Wolman, known throughout his life as Reds, attended the Park School in Baltimore graduating in 1942. He began his college career at Haverford College, but left to join the U.S. Naval Reserves after his first semester. When discharged in 1946, Wolman enrolled at the Johns Hopkins University where his father was in the Department of Sanitary Engineering. Wolman graduated in 1949 with a degree in Geology and All-American Lacrosse honors. He then took an MA (1951) and PhD (1953) from Harvard University.

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In 1951, Wolman embarked on a career of nearly 60 years that combined research, service to the profession, and educating the next generation of scientists.

Wolman took a position as a hydrologist at the U.S. Geological Survey working with Luna Leopold who had been a fellow student at Harvard. While at the Survey, Wolman authored or co-authored with Leopold several papers on river-channel morphology that broadened the earlier paradigm of the graded river. Much of this research was summarized in the textbook written by Leopold, Wolman and John Miller, *Fluvial Processes in Geomorphology* (1964) that remained the bible of the discipline for 20 years. In the 1960s Wolman’s research focused on the sedimentation of stream channels in urban areas providing a base for regulation and channel restoration policies.

Wolman was not a prolific writer but his body of work was influential. A 2002 citation study noted that of the top ten most frequently cited papers in his field, four were authored or co-authored by Wolman. Topics of his influential papers include: energy; human response to flood hazard in developed and developing nations; water supply and human health; pollution of waterways; the management of large rivers; the transmission of water-borne diseases in tropical rivers; land degradation and soil productivity; water resources; and toxic waste disposal policies.

Wolman was committed to his profession and worked tirelessly in advancing the organizations and their work. His unique ability to frame important questions and organize a group to answer these questions made him a natural choice for the myriad committees, commissions and task forces on the local, national and international level on which he served or chaired throughout his career. He served the state of Maryland well serving on groups studying water quality standards, dredging the Baltimore Harbor, and the health of the Chesapeake Bay and its fisheries. A full list of the professional organizations he served is in Series 2 of this collection. Some include: Academy of Natural Sciences, the International Geological Congress, Institute for Cooperation in Environmental Management (ICEM), International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA), Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO), NRC Committee on Water Quality Policy, NRC Commission on Geosciences, Environment, and Resources (CGER), Resources for the Future, and the World Health Organization.

Wolman was elected to the three most prestigious and exclusive scientific bodies in the nation: National Academy of Sciences, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and American Philosophical Society. His contributions to the profession were recognized by the many awards he received including: John Wesley Powell Award (USGS); Cullum Geographical Medal (AGS); Ian Campbell Medal (AGI); Penrose Medal (GSA); Horton Medal (AGU), and the Benjamin Franklin Medal in Earth and Environmental Science.

In 1958, Wolman returned to Johns Hopkins University where he stayed for the remainder of his career. He was hired as the chair of the Isaiah Bowman Department of Geography (TIBDOG) and oversaw the merger of this department with that of Sanitary Engineering into the Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering (DOGEE). Under his leadership (1970-90), DOGEE became one of the first and most
ambitious experiments in interdisciplinary research and education.

First and foremost, however, Wolman was a teacher, and widely accepted as an exceptional one. When honored with the Horton medal from the American Geophysical Union, the citation noted: “Arguable his most enduring legacy may be the generations of students he has taught over the years at Johns Hopkins...[H]is academic “family tree” included 47 children, 106 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren.” The key to his success was a combination of his infectious enthusiasm for his subject, his ability to pose questions that drew students into the subject and a personality that enjoyed interacting with people. There is a video that captures students and colleagues’ impression of Wolman on YouTube:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iB2e0Ei04pg

Wolman was as eager to serve the university as he was his profession. In addition to serving as faculty member and department chair, Wolman served on many university committees from chairing the committee on undergraduate education during the turbulent 1960s, to serving on the advisory committees for the Center for Metropolitan Planning and Research, the Bloomberg School Department of Environmental Health, and the Center for a Livable Future. Twice Wolman made time for the demanding assignment of serving as interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs (January-July 1987; March 1990-August 1991). The University honored Wolman for his many contributions. In 1995 there was “A Celebration of the Career of M. Gordon Wolman,” and he was awarded the President’s Medal of the Johns Hopkins University in 1995 and the Milton Stover Eisenhower Medal for Distinguished Service in 2005.

Wolman lived his life to the fullest and was still teaching, consulting, and active professionally at his death in February 2010.

Scope and Content Note
This collection documents the professional life of M. Gordon Wolman. Wolman was a saver and loathe to discard materials that might be useful latter. Over the years Wolman appropriated a variety of filing cabinets and storage areas and re-creating the original order of the collection was challenging.

The collection has been organized into 5 series. Series 1 Correspondence contains letters and emails that were filed separately. Series 2 Professional Activities contains files on committees, working groups, task forces and other professional association work. Series 3 Research contains Wolman’ writings, presentations to conferences and meetings, research notebooks and data, and his work as a paid consultant. Series 4 Johns Hopkins University contains material on his teaching, work as an administrator, and university committee work. Series 5 Personal contains his own student work, materials about him, awards and honors, photographs and audiovisual material, and information about his father Abel Wolman. The series descriptions that follow detail the organization of the collection.
Series Descriptions

Series 1 Correspondence 1950-2010
Boxes 1-10

Wolman kept his correspondence in a variety of ways. This series is largely personal letters from friends and colleagues and is not related to on-going research, professional committee work, consulting work, or public presentations. Correspondence related to those activities is found in Series 2, 3, and 4.

Letters in Series 1 were filed by a changing number of assistants over the years, and there is some inconsistency in how the letters are filed-some by date; some alphabetically either by the name of the correspondent or the organization he/she represented. The sub-series follow these changing methods of filing.

Subseries 1.1 contains letters dating from 1950-69 and is quite small. It is likely much of the correspondence from this period was discarded or lost. Files kept include correspondence concerning Wolman’s appointment to Johns Hopkins in 1958, a file of correspondence with D.B. Krimgold, and a file of letters labeled S-Z from 1965-66.


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Subseries 1.4 contains correspondence from 1990-2010 that is filed by date. This should be consulted in conjunction with Subseries 1.3.

Subseries 1.5 contains emails. Starting in the early 1990s, Wolman began receiving communications by email. He never managed his email. His assistants would print all messages out for him, he would hand write replies, and the assistants would send the email. As with the letter files, many of the emails and replies are filed with the work they support in Series 2, 3, and 4.

Series 2 Professional Activities 1966-2010
Boxes 11-25

Wolman was very active professionally serving on myriad committees and task forces or holding elected positions. He served on or chaired many committees for the National Academy of Sciences as well as for the key professional organizations in his field. Wolman’s expertise was sought after locally and he worked on several key committees to assess and protect the environment in Maryland and Baltimore. The files on the committee work contain correspondence, meeting agendas, draft committee reports and policy statements, as well as travel documents and membership information. Presentations Wolman made at professional conferences are in Series 3.2. The files are arranged alphabetically by the sponsoring organization. A full list of the committee files is in the container list. The committee work most well-documented includes:

Academy of Natural Sciences. In 1981 Wolman joined the advisory committee of the Academy’s Environmental Assessment Council. Much of file is correspondence with Dr. Ruth Patrick and reports of the Council’s work.

AIA Potomac Planning Task Force. In 1965-66 Wolman served on the Resources subcommittee of this group advising the Department of the Interior. Included in the file are the subcommittee’s report and discussion papers including Wolman’s “Water Demands in the Potomac Basin: Water Supply, Quality Control, Recreation, and Flood Control” [a Discussion paper, not for general distribution or quotation] August 18, 1965.

H. J. Andrews Experimental Forest National Advisory Committee. Wolman joined the advisory committee in 1984 as the Forest reviewed its Long Term Ecological Research program. The Forest is located in the Cascade Range in Oregon. The files include reports of the Forest’s work and notes on the meetings Wolman attended.

Citizens Planning and Housing Agency, Sub-Committee of the Urban Renewal Committee. Wolman served with Hans Froelicher, Paul Sarbanes and others on this subcommittee to study the Harlem Park urban renewal area. The files includes letters and reports.

Geological Society of America. Wolman was active in the GSA serving as a Councilor 1976-78, Vice-President 1982, and President 1984. In honor of his contributions to the field, Wolman was presented with the GSA Penrose Medal in 1999. The GSA files

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include correspondence concerning GSA work, the Donath award committee which he chaired, and attendance at meetings/conferences with the exception of meetings where Wolman presented a lecture or accepted an award. These are filed in Series 3.2 Presentations. Wolman served on the GSA Foundation Development Committee and there are files concerning the Second Century Fund, 1993-2000.

*International Geological Congress.* The 28th Congress in 1989 was held in Washington, D.C. and Wolman served on the program and arrangements committees. The extensive files detail the work beginning in 1986 and include arrangements for a post-Congress tour of Baltimore.

*Institute for Cooperation in Environmental Management.* Founded in 1989, ICEM was composed of environmental leaders from government, business and industry, academic and scientific institutions to study environmental issues confronting the Mid-Atlantic region. Wolman served as ICEM Board Chair 1989-92. The files reflect the Board’s work 1989-1994.

*International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis.* Wolman served as IIASA Council member representing the U.S. (1999-2003), Chairman of the Program Committee and was appointed Honorary Scholar of IIASA in 2003. The files contain drafts of program plans and correspondence (1999-2005) with Margaret Gould Collins, IIASA U.S. Committee’s Program Director.

*Institute of Nuclear Power Operations.* INPO was an industry organization made up of top nuclear utility management. Wolman served on its Advisory Council from 1981-1986. The files contain INPO reports and correspondence.

*Maryland Geological Survey.* Wolman was appointed the Maryland Geological Survey in 1974 and served as Chair 1974 to 1998 (?). The files contain meeting materials, correspondence and reports from 1983-2007, but the files documenting the earlier years are missing.

*Maryland Academy of Sciences.* Wolman served on the Board of Trustees from 1976-1983.

*Md. Department of Water Resources. Water Quality Criteria Committee.* In 1971, the Maryland Department of Water Resources appointed a committee to review and recommend revisions to “Regulation 4.8, the Water Quality Standards and Criteria for all Maryland bodies of water.” Wolman chaired this committee of scientists charged with “developing recommendations for changes which will protect established and anticipated future uses, and permit optimum management of the state’s water resources.” The files contain committee minutes, correspondence, and drafts of the final report.

*Md. Governor’s Science Advisory Board.* Wolman served on the Board from 1987-88. There is correspondence about meetings and some documents relating to the subcommittee on water problems.
**Md. Environmental Leadership Group.** In 1988 Wolman was asked to join the newly formed Department of the Environment’s Leadership Group. He served until 1991 and the files contain information about the meetings.

**Maryland Environment Protection Plan Technical Advisory Committee.** In 1985 Wolman served on a Technical Advisory Committee as the state revised its Environmental Protection Plan. There are drafts and correspondence.

**Md. Committee to Review State Policy for Funding Maryland’s Chesapeake Fisheries.** In 1989 the Department of Natural Resources appointed a group of experts to recommend future directions for the State in commercial fisheries. Wolman chaired the committee (1989-90), and the files contain meeting minutes and drafts and the final report.

**Oyster Roundtable.** Organized in 1993, this group was a cross-section of state officials, environmental groups, elected officials, watermen, and scientists. In response to disease and overharvesting leading to a decline in oyster fishery of the Chesapeake Bay, the group wanted to develop innovative approaches to maximize the ecological and economic benefits associated with the oyster resource. Much of the work of the group was researching and preparing action plans. The first was completed in 1993 and then updated regularly. The files (1993-2002) include correspondence about meetings and drafts of the plans with Wolman’s careful reading and annotations.

**Md. Advisory Committee on the Management and Protection of the State’s Water Resources.** In response to the drought of 2002, the committee was established by Executive Order in 2002 and charged to “advise and assist the State in implementing programs and policies relating to the management, development, conservation and protection of the State’s water resources.” The work of this committee led to a state law requiring a water management plan before building. Wolman was appointed chair in 2003 and served until 2008 when the committee completed its work. The files contain correspondence, research, drafts, press releases, and speeches.

**National Academy of Science.** Wolman was elected to the NAS in 1988 and its National Academy of Engineering in 2002. He was active in committee work and served on or chaired many National Research Council research committees as well as NAS governance committees. A full list of the committee files are found in the container list. The most detailed are:

**NRC Committee on Water Quality Policy.** The National Commission on Water Quality contracted with the National Research Council, Environmental Studies Board to complete regional studies on water quality policy. Wolman chaired this committee, 1974-76 and the files are voluminous.

**NRC. Commission on Geosciences, Environment, and Resources (CGER).** In 1990, the NRC reorganized creating a new commission CGER and Wolman was appointed the first chair. The appointment letter outlined the goals: “to develop and pursue an integrated
agenda for the disciplines involved in the global geosciences—including atmospheric science and climate, ocean studies, polar research, and water sciences and resources. This agenda will embrace national and international programs in global change, management of radioactive, toxic and other waste products of industrialization, the myriad future water resources issues, and resources for energy.” The files cover 1990-94.

*NRC. Population, Environment, and Land Use Policies.* Wolman participated in a study program entitled “Population, Environment, and Land Use Policies in China, India, Indonesia, Brazil and the United States.” It was a series of workshops including one in Beijing in 1998, one in New Delhi in 2000 and a publication.

*Potomac River Low Flow Allocation.* In 1978 an agreement on use of the Potomac River water was reached between Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia. The agreement provides “for an equitable distribution of available water supply to all users of the Potomac River during extreme low flow periods.” Wolman became the first moderator of the water flow in 1978 and served until 20???. The files contain meeting information and data on water supply.

*Resources for the Future.* RFF “guides environmental and resource policy through independent research upon which decisions can be knowledgeably be based.” Wolman served as chair of the RFF Research Advisory Committee in 1978. He joined the Board of Directors in 1978 serving as Chair from 1979-1987. The files include correspondence with RFF President Emery Castle, and materials relating to Board meetings.


*Science Advisory Committee, Center for Ecological Health Research.* The Center at the University of California, Davis organized a committee of scientists to advise its program. Wolman was appointed to the committee in 1992. The files contain information on meetings 1992-2001.

*Scientific Committee on Problems of the Environment (SCOPE).* Wolman co-edited and contributed chapters to a book *Land Transformation in Agriculture* (1987) that grew out of a SCOPE symposium on land transformation and remote sensing. This file contains correspondence among the participants.

*United States Geological Survey (USGS).* Wolman joined the USGS in 1951 and remained there until joining the faculty at Johns Hopkins in 1958. He continued his interest in USGS projects serving as a part-time hydrologist (1958-78) and working on committees. The files in this series deal with his USGS work after 1958. The few files dating from his USGS days deal with research projects and are found in Series 3.3. Files in Series 2 include correspondence with John Costa (1982-89) and Ethan Smith (1976-77). Committee files are Mission and Goals review (1983-85), NAS USGS Advisory Committee (1982-87), Geological Mapping (1987-88), USGS/NBS Workshops.

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(1996), National Water-Quality Networks Advisory Committee (1990), and the review committee for book on USGS and Water Resources (2000-03).

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. This is a small file with various correspondence. There is a copy of the review Wolman prepared (1976) of the water quality monitoring program of the State of Maryland.

World Health Organization, Independent Commission on the Future of the Onchocerciasis Control Programme in West Africa. Wolman served on this international working group (1978-81) to study onchocerciasis (river blindness). The files include working papers and some correspondence.

Series 3 Research 1951- 2010
Boxes 26-47

This series contains writings, presentations, research files and consulting work and has been divided into 4 sub-series.

Subseries 3.1 Writings
1954-2007

This series contains the papers, book chapters, letters to the editor, and reviews that were published. Most are off-prints of the final publication but there are some drafts of the article or correspondence about the publication filed with these off-prints. In the early years, drafts of these published articles are found with the research data in Series 3.3. The correspondence among Leopold, Miller and Wolman in the writing of their book Fluvial Processes in Geomorphology (1964) is in this series. A copy of the book is cataloged in Rare Books and Manuscripts.

The publications in this series often overlap with the papers found in Series 3.2. Presentations as papers delivered at conferences were often published.

The articles are filed chronologically by date of publication. Wolman was a peer-reviewer for several professional journals and advisor to publishers on book projects. These files are in box 28.

Subseries 3.2 Presentations
1952-2009

Wolman was active in the profession giving papers at conferences throughout his career. He was a sought after speaker and was invited to give plenary and keynote addresses as well as to be a guest lecturer at other universities. Wolman’s contributions to the profession were recognized by election to office and many awards. The presentations of these awards are in this series. This series also includes materials on workshops that Wolman presented and some conferences he attended as a delegate representing an

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organization.

Wolman was an active supporter of the Johns Hopkins University and was a frequent speaker at alumni and development events. The completeness of these files varies, and the types of information might include the correspondence relating to the invitation and travel arrangements, copies of the programs and promotional material as well the speech itself whether it is an outline of speaking notes or a formal presentation with multiple drafts of the speech.

The presentations are filed chronologically by date of the presentation.

**Subseries 3.3 Research**

**1951-2009**

This series contains the extant field notebooks, lab notes and other folders containing data relating to studies. There are also some final reports and grant proposals to fund the research.

The research files are grouped either by location of field research or the research topic. There are field notes from the following streams: Brandywine Creek in Pennsylvania (1950s); Sleepers River, Danville, Vermont (1960s); Nelson River, Manitoba (1960s); Aligarh region of India (1968); Malaysia (1962); Mexico (1966); Israel (1961, 1996-97); Rhine River, and Nile River.

Wolman studied various streams in Maryland including Watts Creek and Seneca Creek in Montgomery County and the Jones Falls, Stony Run, Herring Run, Western Run, Chinquapin, and Baisman Run in the Baltimore area. In 1963 Wolman received a grant from the USGS to install a gauging station on Baisman Run and the files contain correspondence and research data.

The files grouped by research topic include the work on resistance as a function of roughness (Wolman Pebble count) and data from the work with Lucien Brush to study factors controlling stream channels in a laboratory setting. There are files on work on river-channel morphology that resulted in USGS publications with Luna Leopold and others as well as their textbook *Fluvial Processes in Geomorphology*.

Other studies with documentation in this series include: Sedimentation of stream channels in urban areas; flooding of the Patapsco River after Hurricane Agnes; economic considerations of power plant siting on the Chesapeake Bay; criteria for Maryland’s water quality monitoring program; and a study of soil erosion for the U.S. Soil Service.

The files are arranged in chronological order, and the file titles and the location of the study are listed in the finding aid. For many of the early files, the original wording on the files has been retained. The early materials are not well identified and the boxes should be reviewed carefully to locate relevant data.
Subseries 3.4 Consulting Work
1961-2007

Wolman often worked with outside organizations as an advisor or consultant on commercial projects. He was engaged as an expert witness in legal disputes or a consulting engineer by developers for water related projects. The projects are organized by date and listed either by the location of the work or the company contracting with Wolman. The type of materials documenting each project varies from brief correspondence to detailed data and written reports.

Some of the well-documented consulting projects include: construction sedimentation study for the Maryland Pollution Control Commission (1963); shale oil study for Atlantic-Richfield (1968-70); Baltimore Model Cities Sanitation program study (1972); Lake Roland sedimentation study (1965-82); Wye Island water study for the Rouse Company (1973); Baltimore Harbor dredging for Crown Central Petroleum (1973-80); Potomac River navigability for the USGS (1974-75); Alexandria, VA waterfront high water suit (1977-81); Hart & Miller Island, Baltimore harbor spoil dredging site design with Lucien Brush (1979-80); Whitewood Creek, SD pollution study and testimony for Homestake Mining Co.(1984-86, 1997); Snake River/Boise Adjudication Team testimony, U.S. Forest Service (1994); and the Catskill River Turbidity Control Study (2001-7).

Wolman’s experience with engineering education was tapped as he served on committees to conduct peer reviews of engineering programs at many universities. These are listed in the container list for Box 47. Also included are reviews of research programs for the Andrew Mellon Foundation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Oak Ridge National Laboratory and the Rand Corporation.

Series 4 Johns Hopkins University 1960- 2010
Boxes 48-57

This is the series with files relating to Wolman’s long career as faculty member, departmental chair, and member of numerous university committees. These are the files that Wolman retained in his office but they do not document all his Hopkins’ activities. There will be information relating to his departmental work in the Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering files in the University Archives RG 6.070. Wolman served as acting Provost of the University twice and these files will be found in RG 3.001.

Subseries 4.1 Teaching
1960- 2010
This series contains the files used in the courses Wolman taught at Hopkins. They have been roughly arranged by the course although material used in one course was often re-used in later courses. It would be useful to review all the files to find relevant material.

The types of material include lecture outlines and talking points, syllabi and reading lists, examination questions, and homework, laboratory or field trip assignments. Each year, beginning in 1968, the undergraduates would compile an evaluation of the courses, and Wolman kept copies of these usually positive reviews of his classes. The University Circulars found in the University Archives will give a complete list of the courses Wolman taught each year. In the oversize section there is a photo album of field trips and department events from 1961-1970

Subseries 4.2 Administration
1962-2006

Wolman was hired by Hopkins in 1958 to chair the Isaiah Bowman Department of Geography (TIBDOG). In 1970, Wolman oversaw the merger of the Department of Geography with the Department of Sanitary Engineering to create the Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering (DOGEE). He served as department chair from 1970-90. The files in this series are mainly from DOGEE and appear to have been weeded. They should be used in conjunction with the DOGEE departmental records in RG 6.070.

Of interest are the files relating to the Water Science and Management Program that was begun in 1962 to bring together those teaching and doing research on water resources. This program is likely what led to the merger of the departments of Sanitary Engineering and Geography. The files contain information on the rationale for the program as well some research reports generated. There are also files on some graduate student funded research projects. One graduate student, Richard Arvidson was funded to research on irrigation in Rhodesia, and his letters to Wolman discuss the political situation in the region as well as his research reports (1963-66). Other files concern research grants for the department from Mellon, Pew, HEW, and the National Science Foundation.

Subseries 4.3 Committees
1964-2005

Wolman served on several university-wide committees including the Long Range Planning Committee (1965-69) for which he chaired the sub-committee on undergraduate affairs. This was an in-depth review of the university and its direction. In 1970 Wolman was part of the Arts and Sciences Faculty report on the Committee on Governance which held hearings on a student disruption of the Academic Council meeting. This led to a discussion on campus of student rights and responsibilities. The files contain information on these committees’ meetings and reports.

Wolman was a founding member of the local advisory committee to the university’s

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Center for Metropolitan Planning and Research from 1972 through the 1990s when the center changed its name to the Institute for Policy Studies. Wolman served on the subcommittee for housing and was active in planning the first Baltimore Economic and Environmental forum in 1994.

Wolman served on the Board of Trustees of the Johns Hopkins Program for International Education in Gynecology and Obstetrics (JHPIEGO) from 1992-2002. Wolman held an appointment in the JHU School of Public Health’s Department of Environmental Health and there are files dealing with departmental initiatives especially dealing with water. In 1997 the Center for a Livable Future was created at Hopkins, and Wolman served on the faculty advisory board. The Center was an interdisciplinary center focusing on the health consequences of environmental change. The files contain information on the Center’s programs.

Series 5 Persona1913-2011
Boxes 58-63

This series is divided into five subseries: Student Work, About, Awards and Honors, Photographs and AV, and Abel Wolman.

Subseries 5.1 Student Work
1932-1953

This series contains materials relating to Wolman’s early life and education. Wolman attended the Park School in Baltimore entering in 1932 and graduating in 1942, and the collection includes some of his school papers as well as report cards. In the summer of 1939, Wolman visited his grandparents on their farm on the banks of the Mystic River where he developed a love of dairy farming and cows. The collection contains some of the 4-H club materials and research he did on dairy farming. The summer of 1941 Wolman spent in Nova Scotia with the Experiment for International Living.

After graduating from Park, Wolman attended Haverford College but left in March 1943 when he joined the U.S. Naval Reserves. When discharged in 1946, he attended Johns Hopkins University earning his B.A. in 1949. The collection includes a few papers written while at Hopkins as well as athletic awards. His years at Harvard where he earned an MA and PhD are documented with class and field trip note books.

Subseries 5.2 About
1948-2011

This series contains articles written about Wolman, files on clubs he belonged to, boards on which he served, daily calendars, and address lists. Wolman’s curriculum vita is in this series detailing his publications, appointments, professional service and honors. Wolman served on the executive boards of the Sinai Hospital in Baltimore and the Park School but these files are not in the collection.

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Subseries 5.3 Awards
1960-2010

This series contains some information on awards he received. Some of the awards are in the oversize box. In 1995 Wolman was honored by colleagues at Johns Hopkins. There is a scrapbook of tributes and photographs filed in the oversize box. There is additional information on awards in Series 3.2 where the acceptance speeches for awards are filed. Some of the awards are oversized and are filed separately.

Subseries 5.4 Photographs and AV
1913-2004

This includes a few videos and DVDs recording Wolman at events as well as some photographs. There is an interesting series of photographs taken in 1913 of the Ohio River flood damage to Piqua, Ohio. Other photographs relating to specific events such as field trips and conferences are filed with those activities in Series 2 and 3. There are 2 albums filed in box 62 one has candid shots of DOGEE department parties and field trips (1961-70). The other is a scrapbook of photographs and letters of tribute sent to Wolman for the celebration of his career in 1995.

Subseries 5.5 Abel Wolman
1970-2008

The final box in the series contains files relating to his father Abel Wolman. These include articles about Abel, information on the National Academy of Sciences Abel Wolman Distinguished Lecture (1990-2009), and correspondence for the Abel Wolman Fund for DOGEE.

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