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**A Finding Aid to the  
Stephen Girard Papers**

**Manuscript Collection No. 257**



## Collection Summary

<b>Title</b>	Stephen Girard Papers
<b>Dates</b>	1789-1829
<b>Collection Number</b>	MS-257
<b>Repository</b>	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
<b>Creator</b>	Girard, Stephen, 1750-1831
<b>Extent</b>	0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)
<b>Language of the Material</b>	English

## Administrative Information

<b>Biographical Sketch</b>	Stephen Girard (1750-1831), born in Bordeaux, France immigrated to Philadelphia in 1776. He was a businessman, maritime trader, and philanthropist whose purchase of government bonds during the War of 1812 provided economic support for the military campaigns of the United States. Girard bequeathed his fortune to social welfare institutions and the Stephen Girard College in Philadelphia.
<b>Scope and Content</b>	Business correspondence with prominent Jewish merchants (Girard himself was not Jewish) from 1789-1829 pertaining to his shipping company as well as political and philanthropic issues.
<b>Terms of Access</b>	The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply.
<b>Preferred Citation</b>	Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Stephen Girard Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:  [Description], [Date], Box #, Folder #. MS-257. Stephen Girard Papers. American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio.

## Index Terms

<b>Subjects</b>	Jewish merchants / Jews -- Pennsylvania -- Philadelphia / Philanthropists
<b>Personal Names</b>	Girard, Stephen, 1750-1831

### Series A. General, 1789-1829

#### Box and Folder Listing

- Box 1. Folder 1. General correspondence, B-T, 1796-1819
- Box 1. Folder 2. Adgato, William, 1808-1813
- Box 1. Folder 3. Bancker, Charles N., 1811
- Box 1. Folder 4. Barring brothers, 1815-1816
- Box 1. Folder 5. Douglas, William J., 1791-1802
- Box 1. Folder 6. Hattersby, Joseph, 1791
- Box 1. Folder 7. Moses, Isaac and sons, 1804-1816
- Box 1. Folder 8. Moses, Joshua, 1815-1816
- Box 1. Folder 9. Moses, Solomon, 1811-1821
- Box 1. Folder 10. Myers, Frederick, 1820-1829
- Box 1. Folder 11. Myers, John, 1816-1817
- Box 1. Folder 12. Myers, Moses, 1789-1791

Box 1. Folder 13. Myers, Moses, 1792-1827

Box 1. Folder 14. Myers, Samuel, 1789-1792

Box 1. Folder 15. Nicholas, Samuel, 1809

Box 1. Folder 16. Thomas, William, 1804-1806

Box 1. Folder 17. Correspondence [fragments], 1816-1820, undated