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Collection Summary

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Biographical Sketch

Rabbi Lawrence P. Karol was born in Kansas City, Missouri, where both of his parents were born and raised. Rabbi Karol attended the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, graduating in 1976 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences (with a major in Sociology and a minor in Religious Studies). He was ordained at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati in 1981, and has served congregations in Dayton, Ohio for three years as assistant rabbi; twenty-two years as rabbi of Temple Beth Sholom in Topeka, Kansas; and five years as rabbi of Temple Israel in Dover, New Hampshire. Rabbi Karol's work in schools, on community boards, on state commissions and as a major leader in local interfaith organizations have been the hallmarks of his service to the community.

--Adapted from Rabbi Lawrence P. Karol, Temple Beth-El, Las Cruces, New Mexico (http://www.tbelc.org/karol.htm).

Scope and Content

This collection consists of research materials for Lawrence P. Karol's thesis, "Rabbinic Leadership in the Reform Movement as Reflected in the Life and Writings of Rabbi Abraham Jehiel Feldman (1893-1977)", completed in 1981. Materials include copies of correspondence, news clippings, manuscripts of sermons and addresses, and miscellaneous items from the Abraham J. Feldman papers. Also included are Lawrence P. Karol's thesis proposal and drafts, along with extensive handwritten research notes, which meticulously cite the original documents the notes are referencing.

Arrangement This collection is arranged in one (1) series: A. General.

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