A Finding Aid to the
Matthew J. Eisenberg Papers

Manuscript Collection No. 808
**Collection Summary**

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**Administrative Information**

**Biographical Sketch**

Matthew J. Eisenberg was born in Biloxi, Mississippi in 1958. He earned both a bachelor's and a master's degree in international relations from Miami University. He worked for four years as a child care worker at Bellefaire/Jewish Children's Bureau before attending Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. He served student pulpits in Johnson City, Tennessee, Portsmouth, Ohio, and Fairbanks, Alaska and was ordained in 1991. His first full-time position was with Congregation Beth Israel in Houston, Texas, and in 1991 he assumed the rabbinate at Temple Israel in Mayfield Heights, Ohio. A key player in Temple Israel's merger with Temple Ner Tamid that same year, Eisenberg now serves Temple Israel Ner Tamid as the senior rabbi, while his father, Frederick A. Eisenberg, serves as Rabbi Emeritus.

Matthew Eisenberg and his wife, Pat, have two children.


**Scope and Content**

This collection consists of research material and the completed draft for Matthew Eisenberg's thesis entitled, *The Last Frontier: Jewish Pioneers in Alaska*, submitted to Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in 1991. Included are correspondence, news clippings, and temple bulletins. These research materials are copies of materials housed at archives of University of Alaska-Fairbanks and the Jewish Congregation of Fairbanks, along with an excerpt of University of Alaska-Fairbanks archives inventory of the Robert Bloom collection.

**Arrangement**

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

**Terms of Access**

The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply.

**Preferred Citation**

Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Matthew J. Eisenberg Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:

[Description], [Date], Box #, Folder #. MS-808. Matthew J. Eisenberg Papers. American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio.

**Provenance**

Received from Matthew J. Eisenberg, Houston, &#9;&#9;Tex., July 1991.

**Processing Information**

Processed by Michelle Wirth, September 2011.

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**Index Terms**

**Subjects**

Jews -- Alaska / Synagogues -- Alaska -- Fairbanks

**Personal Names**

Bloom, Robert L., 1878-1974 / Eisenberg, Matthew J., 1958-

**Series A. General, 1919-1991**
Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 2. UAF Archives Finding Aid.
Box 1. Folder 3. Jewish Congregation of Fairbanks, Torah Dedication, 1991 May 9
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Box 1. Folder 18. Jewish Congregation of Fairbanks Archives.
Box 1. Folder 22. Jewish Congregation of Fairbanks - Board Minutes & Meetings.
Box 1. Folder 23. Jewish Congregation of Fairbanks - Publications.
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Box 2. Folder 35. The Jews of Montana (History).