

Title: Milwaukee Board of Fire and Police Commissioners Collection

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Abstract: In April 1885, Governor Jeremiah Rusk signed a law creating the City of Milwaukee Fire and Police Commission. It created a board of four unpaid commissioners to provide civilian oversight of the city's fire and police departments. The measure was in response to the political cronyism that plagued both departments in Milwaukee's early history.

Scope and Content: The collection consists of the Commission's annual reports, 1971-1976; a centennial commemorative booklet, 1985; and a manual describing the Commission's powers and duties, 1978.

Access and Use: No restrictions

Language: English