

Collection #  
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**INDIANAPOLIS BAR ASSOCIATION 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY PARTY  
NEGATIVES, 1978**

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## **COLLECTION INFORMATION**

**VOLUME OF COLLECTION:** 1 bin of 35mm color acetate negatives  
1 letter with 1 color photo

**COLLECTION DATES:** 1978

**PROVENANCE:** Unknown

**RESTRICTIONS:** Items listed as being in cold storage need at least four hours to acclimate, so patrons are advised to call ahead of their visit if they wish to view those items to allow for thawing time.

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**ALTERNATE FORMATS:**

**RELATED HOLDINGS:** Indianapolis Bar Association Records (M 0503)

**ACCESSION NUMBER:** 2003.0569X

**NOTES:**

## HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Indianapolis Bar Association was founded on 30 November 1878 at the law offices of Dye and Harris. Included among the forty original members were Benjamin Harrison, the twenty-third president of the United States, and Charles W. Fairbanks, who later served as vice-president under Theodore Roosevelt. Napoleon B. Taylor served as the organization's first president, John A. Henry was secretary, and John M. Judah was treasurer.

One of the association's chief functions is the maintenance of a library. A library committee was formed within the IBA's first year of existence and officially established a library in 1880. By 1910 there were 7,000 volumes available for use by judges, attorneys, and students of the Indiana Law School, with that number jumping to over 8,000 in 1915.

The Indianapolis Bar Association is now located in the BMO Plaza building and currently claims around 4,500 members. The organization continues "to serve [its] members, promote justice, and enhance the legal profession".

On 30 November 1978 the organization celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> birthday at the Columbia Club in downtown Indianapolis. There was a skit of when the organization's charter was signed, and attendees were able to flip through the original minute book as they toasted 100 years of lawyers in Indianapolis.

### Sources:

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## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Photographs taken during the Indianapolis Bar Association's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration on 30 November 1978. Includes a print and a letter concerning the negatives in envelope 11.

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