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# Gerald Caplan fonds

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## Summary information

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Gerald Lewis Caplan, public affairs commentator and consultant, was born in 1938 and educated at the University of Toronto (B.A., 1960 ; M.A., 1961) and the University of London, where he received his PhD in African Studies from the School of Oriental and African Studies in 1977. In 1965-1966, he lectured at the University College of Rhodesia following which he was an Associate Professor at the Ontario Institute in Studies in Education from 1967 until 1977. From 1970-1977, he was Senior Adviser to and Campaign Manager for the New Democratic Party of Ontario under leader Stephen Lewis. He was Director of the CUSO-Nigeria Program (1977-1979), Canadian Director of CUSO (1979), Director, City of Toronto Health Advocacy Unit (1980-1982), Federal Secretary, New Democratic Party of Canada (1982-1984), National Campaign Manager, NDP General Election (1984), Co-chair, Government of Canada Task Force on Broadcasting Policy (1985-1986), Co-chair, Royal Commission on Learning, Ontario (1993-1995), Director of Research and Strategic Issues, Ontario NDP Party Caucus (1998-1999) and, most recently Visiting Scholar, Economic Commission for Africa and Research Associate, Centre for Refugee Studies, York University (2000). Over the course of his career, Caplan has been a syndicated columnist for the Toronto Star (1984-1993) and television commentator. He is the author of several monographs including *The Elites of Barotseland, 1878-1969 : A Political History of Zambia's Western Province* (1970), *The Dilemma of Canadian Socialism : The C.C.F. in Ontario* (1973), *Just Causes : Notes of an Unrepentant Socialist* (1993), *Rwanda : The Preventable Genocide* (1994) and principle author of the UNICEF State of the World Report (1996, 1997) in addition to numerous articles, book reviews and reports.

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## Scope and content

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The fonds consists of records which document Caplan's career as a public affairs commentator, consultant and social activist.

## Notes

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### Title notes

### Immediate source of acquisition

Donated by Gerald Caplan in 2001.

### Restrictions on access

Some restrictions apply. All permission requests must be directed via the University Archivist.

### Accruals

The fonds comprises the following accession: 2001-007. Further accruals may be expected.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
  - **Level of detail:** Full
  - **Status description:** Final
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## Access points

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- New Democratic Party
  - New Democratic Party of Ontario
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## Collection holdings

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### File: 2001-007/001(01) - Journal, Asia

Title: Journal, Asia

ID: 2001-007/001(01)

Date: Mar. 1996 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/001(02) - Journal, Latin America**

Title: Journal, Latin America

ID: 2001-007/001(02)

Date: Jan. 1996-Feb. 1996 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/001(03) - Child Labour Reports, Drafts**

Title: Child Labour Reports, Drafts

ID: 2001-007/001(03)

Date: 1996 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Publication status:

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**File: 2001-007/001(04) - Paul Copeland**

Title: Paul Copeland

ID: 2001-007/001(04)

Date: 1989-1991 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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### **File: 2001-007/001(05) - Re: Government**

Title: Re: Government

ID: 2001-007/001(05)

Date: 1989-1995 (date of creation)

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### **File: 2001-007/001(06) - Jack Layton Campaign**

Title: Jack Layton Campaign

ID: 2001-007/001(06)

Date: 1991 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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### **File: 2001-007/001(07) - Mackenzie Institute for Studies of Terrorism, Revolution and Propaganda**

Title: Mackenzie Institute for Studies of Terrorism, Revolution and Propaganda

ID: 2001-007/001(07)

Date: 1987 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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### **File: 2001-007/001(08) - Miscellaneous**

Title: Miscellaneous

ID: 2001-007/001(08)

Date: 1995-2000 (date of creation)

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### **File: 2001-007/001(09) - Miscellaneous Correspondence**

Title: Miscellaneous Correspondence

ID: 2001-007/001(09)

Date: 1985-1997 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/001(10) - The Ontario "Gestapo" Affair [includes related research material]**

Title: The Ontario "Gestapo" Affair [includes related research material]

ID: 2001-007/001(10)

Date: 1982 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/001(11) - Security Policy: What are the Real Choices?**

Title: Security Policy: What are the Real Choices?

ID: 2001-007/001(11)

Date: 1987 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Publication status:

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**File: 2001-007/001(12) - Spry Society, Correspondence, Memos**

Title: Spry Society, Correspondence, Memos

ID: 2001-007/001(12)

Date: 1995 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/001(13) - Stop: Save TVO from Privatization Advisory Committee**

Title: Stop: Save TVO from Privatization Advisory Committee

ID: 2001-007/001(13)

Date: 1996-1997 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Publication status:

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**File: 2001-007/001(14) - World Television Network (WTN)/CRTC, Correspondence, Notes**

Title: World Television Network (WTN)/CRTC, Correspondence, Notes

ID: 2001-007/001(14)

Date: 1992-1993 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/001(15) - Canadian Right, NCC etc.**

Title: Canadian Right, NCC etc.

ID: 2001-007/001(15)

Date: 1985-1988 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/001(16) - Canadian Right, Resource Material**

Title: Canadian Right, Resource Material

ID: 2001-007/001(16)

Date: 1987-1990 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/001(17) - Black Ribbon Day/Right Wing in Canada**

Title: Black Ribbon Day/Right Wing in Canada

ID: 2001-007/001(17)

Date: 1987-1990 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/001(18) - Black Ribbon Day/Right Wing in Canada**

Title: Black Ribbon Day/Right Wing in Canada

ID: 2001-007/001(18)

Date: 1987-1990 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/001(19) - Black Ribbon Day/Right Wing in Canada**

Title: Black Ribbon Day/Right Wing in Canada

ID: 2001-007/001(19)

Date: 1987-1990 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/001(20) - Canadian Right, Rushton etc.**

Title: Canadian Right, Rushton etc.

ID: 2001-007/001(20)

Date: 1989 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/001(21) - Right Wing, Tories**

Title: Right Wing, Tories

ID: 2001-007/001(21)

Date: 1985-1988 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/001(22) - The Right Wing, Research Material**

Title: The Right Wing, Research Material

ID: 2001-007/001(22)

Date: 1988-1992 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/001(23) - The Right Wing, Research Material**

Title: The Right Wing, Research Material

ID: 2001-007/001(23)

Date: 1988-1992 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/001(24) - Ireland: The Propaganda War/Liz Curtis**

Title: Ireland: The Propaganda War/Liz Curtis

ID: 2001-007/001(24)

Date: 1988 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Publication status:

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**File: 2001-007/001(25) - Peace with Freedom/Maurice Tugwell**

Title: Peace with Freedom/Maurice Tugwell

ID: 2001-007/001(25)

Date: 1988 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/002(01) - Miscellaneous Correspondence, Memos, Reports**

Title: Miscellaneous Correspondence, Memos, Reports

ID: 2001-007/002(01)

Date: 1991-1999 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/002(02) - Royal Commission on Learning, Commission Business**

Title: Royal Commission on Learning, Commission Business

ID: 2001-007/002(02)

Date: 1993-1995 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Publication status:

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**File: 2001-007/002(03) - Royal Commission on Learning, Report**

Title: Royal Commission on Learning, Report

ID: 2001-007/002(03)

Date: 1994 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/002(04) - Royal Commission on Learning, Report**

Title: Royal Commission on Learning, Report

ID: 2001-007/002(04)

Date: 1994 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/002(05) - Legislative Diary**

Title: Legislative Diary

ID: 2001-007/002(05)

Date: 1998 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/002(06) - Legislative Diary**

Title: Legislative Diary

ID: 2001-007/002(06)

Date: 1998-1999 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/002(07) - Legislative Diary, Ontario Election**

Title: Legislative Diary, Ontario Election

ID: 2001-007/002(07)

Date: 1998-1999 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/002(08) - Alexa: Correspondence, Speeches**

Title: Alexa: Correspondence, Speeches

ID: 2001-007/002(08)

Date: 1995-1997 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/002(09) - Ontario N.D.P. Campaigns (N.S.)**

Title: Ontario N.D.P. Campaigns (N.S.)

ID: 2001-007/002(09)

Date: 1987-1990 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/002(10) - N.D.P. Caucus, Correspondence, Notes, Memos**

Title: N.D.P. Caucus, Correspondence, Notes, Memos

ID: 2001-007/002(10)

Date: 1998 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/002(11) - N.D.P. Strategy**

Title: N.D.P. Strategy

ID: 2001-007/002(11)

Date: 1998 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/002(12) - 1999 Election**

Title: 1999 Election

ID: 2001-007/002(12)

Date: 1996-1999 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/002(13) - 1999 Election Campaign (N.D.P.)**

Title: 1999 Election Campaign (N.D.P.)

ID: 2001-007/002(13)

Date: 1998 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/002(14) - N.D.P. Election Campaign, Correspondence, Memos, Reports**

Title: N.D.P. Election Campaign, Correspondence, Memos, Reports

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ID: 2001-007/002(15)

Date: 1999 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/002(16) - 2000 Election**

Title: 2000 Election

ID: 2001-007/002(16)

Date: 2000 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/002(17) - N.D.P. Campaign 99 Binder**

Title: N.D.P. Campaign 99 Binder

ID: 2001-007/002(17)

Date: [ca. 1999] (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/002(18) - N.D.P. Campaign 99 Binder**

Title: N.D.P. Campaign 99 Binder

ID: 2001-007/002(18)

Date: [ca. 1999] (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/002(19) - N.D.P. Campaign 99 Binder**

Title: N.D.P. Campaign 99 Binder

ID: 2001-007/002(19)

Date: [ca. 1999] (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/002(22) - Rwanda Report : Draft Two**Title: Rwanda Report : Draft Two

ID: 2001-007/002(22)

Date: 2001 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/002(23) - Rwanda Report : Draft Two**

Title: Rwanda Report : Draft Two

ID: 2001-007/002(23)

Date: 2001 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/002(24) - Rwanda Report : Press, etc.**

Title: Rwanda Report : Press, etc.

ID: 2001-007/002(24)

Date: 2000 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: 2001-007/002(25) - Rwanda Report : Final Draft**

Title: Rwanda Report : Final Draft

ID: 2001-007/002(25)

Date: 2000-2001 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Publication status:

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**File: 2001-007/002(26) - Rwanda Report : Revisions**

Title: Rwanda Report : Revisions

ID: 2001-007/002(26)

Date: 2001 (date of creation)

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**File: 2001-007/002(27) - Rwanda Report : Revisions**

Title: Rwanda Report : Revisions

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