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**TRENT D. PENDLEY  
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## **COLLECTION INFORMATION**

**VOLUME OF COLLECTION:** 2 manuscript boxes, 2 oversized manuscript folders.

**COLLECTION DATES:** 2000-2016

**PROVENANCE:** Trent D. Pendley, Chesterton, Indiana, 2017.

**RESTRICTIONS:** None

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**ALTERNATE FORMATS:**

**RELATED HOLDINGS:** Indiana Jewish Historical Society Collection, 1845–2002. Manuscript Collection: M0743. Trent D. Pendley Collection, 2005–2006. Manuscript Collection: M0927. Trent D. Pendley Collection, Collection, 1996-2003. Manuscript Collection: M1014.

**ACCESSION NUMBER:** 2017.0044

**NOTES:** Forms part of the Indiana Jewish Historical Society.

## **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

Trent D. Pendley became a member of the Indiana Jewish Historical Society at the age of eighteen and was elected as the president in October 2003. Pendley served as president for six terms and others executive positions on the Indiana Jewish Historical Society's Board of Directors.

Pendley owns a fine jewelry store in Northwest, Indiana. He is also a writer, an advocate for social justice, and Tikkum O'lam (repair of the world). Pendley has served on the Board of Directors of the UJA, JNF, Hillel-Arizona State University, Aviv, and Sylvia Plotkin Judaica Museum in Greater Phoenix, the Greater Crown Point Chamber of Commerce, the Northwest Indiana Open Housing Center, and The Indiana Jewish Historical Society, and Temple Beth El in Odessa Texas. He has also served in positions with the ADL (Anti-Defamation League), AJC, and B'nai B'rith. He is a member of Temple Israel in Miller Beach (Gary, Indiana).

Pendley also served on the ADL's Upper Midwest Division's Civil Rights committee. He was the 1993 Leslie Wexner Heritage Foundation nominee; a columnist and former editor of the 'Illiana News.' He covered the historic Sadat visit to Jerusalem in 1977 when an Indiana University overseas studies student at the Hebrew University in Israel.

Trent has served as the Social Action chair of Temple Israel in Gary, Indiana and he is the Public Relations counsel to American Dream Realty in Crown Point. Since being installed as the IJHS president, he has created the IJHS Honorary Board and is diligently at work on "The IJHS Mapping Project."

Sources:

Indiana Jewish Historical Society. "Indiana Jewish Historical Society Executive Board" <http://ijhs.org/board.html>. Accessed 25 October 2017.

Trent D. Pendley Collection, 2005–2006. Manuscript Collection: M0927.

Trent D. Pendley Collection, 1996-2003 Manuscript Collection: M1014.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Trent D. Pendley collection is contained in two legal-sized manuscript boxes and two oversized manuscript folders with materials donated by Trent D. Pendley. The papers are mostly addressed to Mr. Pendley coming from organizations such as the Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana, Temple Israel of Gary, Indiana and the Indiana Jewish Historical Society inviting Mr. Pendley to various programs and events. The collection also contains institutional papers related to the Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana including the constitution (2010-2011), board of directors structure, membership forms, and board meeting minutes (2004-2011). Materials from Temple Israel include a survey (2009), budgets and board meeting minutes (2007-2010), and issues Temple Israel newsletter, "Temple Topics" (January 19, 2007-December 26, 2014). The collection also has scattered issues of *The Illiana News* between 2009-2016.

Miscellaneous materials include newspaper clippings chronicling the Jewish Community of Northwest Indiana, political flyers from Northwestern Indiana politicians, Indiana Dunes newsletters and tourist information, obituaries of members of the Indiana Jewish community (2009-2011), an *Illiana News* Survey, and the personal correspondence of Mr. Pendley.

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