

Name of Creator:	American Schools of Oriental Research Ancient Manuscripts Committee.
Title:	American Schools of Oriental Research Ancient Manuscripts Committee Records
Dates:	1963-1981
Collection Number:	Coll. 003
Extent:	.35 cubic feet (1 manuscript box)
Location:	R1/2
Historical Abstract:	The Ancient Manuscripts Committee was originally founded as the Dead Sea Scrolls Committee. The title was changed circa 1980, as the committee applied the experience gained in funding the acquisition and publication of the Dead Sea Scrolls to other ancient manuscript acquisitions.
Scope and Content Abstract:	<p>The majority of the collection is correspondence regarding the study, publication rights, and preservation of the Dead Sea Scrolls, and the funding of the Committee. The correspondence also documents the discovery and purchase of manuscripts by other organizations. A significant portion of the letters were written by, or contain information about Elizabeth Hay Bechtel and John Trever.</p> <p>The Ancient Biblical Manuscript Center file contains administrative materials for that organization, which, though separate from ASOR, aided ASOR in the acquisition of manuscripts. As with the correspondence, many of the materials were created by, or pertain to Elizabeth Hay Bechtel, who served as president of the organization.</p>

Languages:	The materials are in English.
System of Arrangement:	Alphabetical.
Restrictions:	The collection is unrestricted.
Accruals:	No further accruals are expected.
Conditions Governing Reproduction and Use:	Copyright restrictions may apply.

Collection Inventory			
<i>Box</i>	<i>Folder Number</i>	<i>Folder Title</i>	<i>Dates</i>
1	1	General	n.d., 1969-1980
1	2	Ancient Biblical Manuscript Center	1978-1981
1	3 - 9	Correspondence (7 folders)	1961-1984
1	10	Financial	n.d., 1967
1	11, 12	Legal (2 folders)	1961-1966
1	13	Press	1967-1980

Subject Headings:	
600 - Subject Added Entry - Personal Name	Bechtel, Elizabeth Hay
600 - Subject Added Entry - Personal Name	Trever, John C., 1915-2006
610 - Subject Added Entry - Corporate Name	American Schools of Oriental Research - Ancient Manuscript Committee
650 - Subject Added Entry - Topical Term	Ancient manuscripts
650 - Subject Added Entry - Topical Term	Acquisition of manuscripts
650 - Subject Added Entry - Topical Term	Dead Sea scrolls.

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