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### Biography

The Berman Papers contain the working files of Daniel M. Berman, PhD, of San Francisco. Dr. Berman is currently (1988) a lecturer in the School of Business at San Francisco State University. He received his Ph. D. in Political Science from Washington University in 1974 and

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was a Postdoctoral Fellow in Sociology at Boston University in 1975-76.

Much of Dr. Berman's work has involved issues and organizing related to occupational health. From 1972-1975 he served as Director of the Occupational Health Project of the Medical Committee for Human Rights (MCHR). He helped organize Committees on Safety and Health (COSH) in several areas including Chicago, Boston and San Francisco. He was a founder of the Asbestos Victims of America (AVA) and worked with numerous labor and environmental groups. From 1978-1980 he was a staff person for the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Worker's union.

His published works include *Death On The Job* (1978) and *Health and Work: An International Perspective* (1983), which he edited.

#### **Scope and Content**

The Berman papers contain significant material relating to the development of grassroots and union movements which addressed occupational health issues in the 1970's and early 1980's. Particularly well documented is the development and activities of the Asbestos Victims of America and the Medical Committee on Human Rights. Training manuals on occupational health issues of several labor organizations are included. Correspondence with a wide variety of organizers, health workers and labor activists is found throughout the files.

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