

Overview

Title: Jacob Riis letter
Call Number: Coll042
Creator: Riis, Jacob A. (Jacob August), 1849-1914
Dates: May 17, 1910
Size: 1 box (1 linear foot)
Language: English
Abstract: Comprises one piece of correspondence from New York City photographer Jacob Riis to the Hon. Charles E. Hughes, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. In the letter, Riis congratulates Hughes on his appointment and discusses the candidacy of William Verbeck for Office of Adjutant General of the State of New York.
Citation: Jacob Riis letter, Collection 42, Special Collections, University of Maryland, Baltimore County (Baltimore, MD).

Administrative/Biographical Note

Jacob Riis (1849-1914) was a journalist, photographer and social reformer; originally from Denmark, he arrived in the US in 1870. He pioneered documentary photography and used his art to comment on and incite awareness about societal problems, including urban poverty.

Provenance Information

Processing Note

Descriptive Rules Used

Describing Archives: a Content Standard (DACS)

[Archives Processing Manual: Description \(2015\)](#): The processing manual used in Special Collections for all descriptive platforms, including PastPerfect.

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Subject Headings

Creators

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Subjects

Photographers