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American Board of Anesthesiology Archives

Preliminary Finding Aid

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Introduction

Title: The American Board of Anesthesiology Archives

Extent: 4.5 linear feet, in nine boxes

Date range: 1935—2009

Bulk dates: 1940s

Related Collections: ABA Newsletters (WLM Library)

Directory of Medical Specialists (WLM Library)

Stuart C. Cullen Collection, WLM (3" x 5" cards containing questions written and used by Dr. Cullen between 1957-69 when administering ABA oral exams.)

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Scope and Content Note

This collection preserves documentation of the origins of the American Board of Anesthesiology (ABA.) There are extensive records of its first years and the decade of the 1940s. The documentation of the 1950s is less complete, and there are only sporadic records from the 1970s and 1980s. The collection contains only a few items from the 1960s to the present.

These materials include governance documents, correspondence, records of the Examinations Committee and Residency Review Committee, meeting minutes, numerical and name listings of ABA diplomates, and photographs. The collection also includes "The History of the ABA, 1938-1977", written by Dr. David M. Little, Jr. Based solely on the incomplete data in the collection, the processor has compiled a chronological list of events (see p. 12.)

Arrangement

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Abbreviations

ABA	American Board of Anesthesiology
AMA	American Medical Association
ASA	American Society of Anesthesiologists
CME	Continuing Medical Education
LL and LLL	Lifelong Learning
MOCA	Maintenance of Certification in Anesthesiology

Bibliography

Betcher, Albert M., Benjamin J. Ciliberti, PMW, and Lewis H. Wright. "The Jubilee Year of Organized Anesthesia." *Anesthesiology*, 17:2, 226-264, March, 1956.

BOX 1

FF 1 Finding Aid

Administration Series

FF 2	Articles of Organization	March, 1969	
FF 3	Governance Handbook	ca. 1972	
FF 4	Meeting Handbook	ca. 1972	
FF	Constitution and Bylaws	1938	
FF	Constitution and Bylaws	1945	
FF	Constitution and Bylaws	1950	
FF	Bylaws	July, 1972	
FF	"Booklet of Information"	ND	
FF	"Booklet of Information"	January, 1939	
FF	"Handbook"	ca. 1942	
FF	"Booklet of Information"	April, 1945	(3 copies)
FF	"Anesthesiology, Booklet of Information" (Prepared by ASA)	1948	
FF	"Booklet of Information"	1950s	
	November, 1950	(2 copies)	
	December, 1952		
	November, 1953		
	November, 1954		
	December, 1956		
	February, 1958		

BOX 1, Continued

Administration Series, Continued

FF	"Booklet of Information"	1960s
	July, 1961	
	September, 1962	(2 copies)
FF	"Booklet of Information"	1970s
	January, 1972	
	January, 1973	(2 copies)
FF	"Booklet of Information" (Fiftieth Anniversary edition)	January, 1988
FF	"Booklet of Information"	2000—2005
	January, 2000	
	January, 2002	
	April, 2003	(2 copies)
	February, 2005	(2 copies)
FF	"Booklet of Information"	2006—2008
	April, 2006	
	March, 2007	(2 copies)
	March, 2008	
FF	"Booklet of Information"	February, 2009

BOX 2

Administration Series, Continued

FF	Correspondence	1945—1946
FF	Correspondence	1947
FF	Correspondence	1948
FF	Correspondence	1949
FF	Correspondence	1950—1959
FF	Correspondence	1971
FF	Round Robin Letter No. 1	ND
FF	Round Robin Letters	1946

- # 1-46 November 1, 1945
- # 2-46 November 14, 1945
- # 3-46 December 1, 1945
- # 4 February 6, 1946
- # 7 February 11, 1946
- # 8 March 14, 1946
- # 10 June 6, 1946
- # 11 June 11, 1946
- # 12 June 26, 1946
- # 13 July 8, 1946
- # 14 July 11, 1946
- # 15 August 1, 1946
- # 16 August 18, 1946

FF	Round Robin Letters	1947
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- # 1 November 8, 1946
- # 2 January 28, 1947
- # 3 February 4, 1947
- # 4 February 21, 1947
- # 5 March 10, 1947
- # 6 March 27, 1947
- # 7 May 6, 1947
- # 8 June 17, 1947
- # 9 August 5, 1947
- # 10 September 17, 1947

BOX 3

Administration Series, Continued

FF	Directory of diplomates	1947
FF	Directory of diplomates	1950
FF	Graph of diplomates	1938—1955
FF	Directory of Medical Specialists, excerpt of ABA listing	1961
	(Also see Box 1 for the 1970 Directory in the Governance Handbook)	
FF	Table of certificates awarded	1938—1999
FF	Letterhead samples	ND
FF	Newsletter (Also see the WLM Library)	Scattered issues
FF	Residency Committee	1947—1948
FF	Residency Data	1954—1963
FF	Residency Review Comm. Handbook	ca. 1971
FF	Guide for Residency Programs in Anesthesiology	1971
FF	Original seal (Also see Photographs, Box #)	ND
FF	Adhesive seals	ND

BOX 4

Examinations Committee Series

FF	Application for examination	ND
FF	Examination	1939
FF	Examination	1940
FF	Examination	1941
FF	Examination	1942
FF	Examination	1943
FF	Examination	1945
FF	Examination	1946
FF	Correspondence and reports	1946
FF	Examination	1947
FF	Correspondence and reports	1947
FF	Examination	1948
FF	Correspondence and reports	1948
FF	Examination	1949
FF	Correspondence and reports	1949
FF	Examination	1952
FF	Report	1956
FF	"In-Training Examination Glossary of Clinical Judgment Keyword Phrases"	1979

BOX 5Examinations Committee Series, Continued

FF	“Content Outline” (Joint Council on In-Training Examinations)	Revised July, 1981	
FF	In-Training Examination Book A	1983	(1 copy)
FF	In-Training Examination Book B	1983	(2 copies)
FF	In-Training Examination Book A	1984	(2 copies)
FF	In-Training Examination Book B	1985	(2 copies)
FF	In-Training Examination Book A	1986	(2 copies)
FF	In-Training Examination Book B	1986	(3 copies)
FF	“Content Outline” (Joint Council on In-Training Examinations)	Revised, June 1987	
FF	In-Training Examination Book A	1987	(2 copies)
FF	In-Training Examination Book A	1988	(2 copies)
FF	“Content Outline” (Joint Council on In-Training Examinations)	Revised July, 1991	
FF	In-Training Examination Book A	1991	(2 copies)
FF	In-Training Examination Book A	1992	(2 copies)
FF	In-Training Examination Book A	1993	(2 copies)
FF	“Content Outline” (Joint Council on In-Training Examinations)	Revised January, 1996	(2 copies)
FF	Recertification Examination	March, 1996	(4 copies)
FF	“Content Outline”, Recertification Exam.	May, 2002	(2 copies)
FF	“Content Outline” (Joint Council on In-Training Examinations)	Reprinted May, 1998	(2 copies)

BOX 5, Continued

Examinations Committee Series, Continued

FF	“Content Outline” (Joint Council on In-Training Examinations)	Revised November, 2003	(2 copies)
FF	Guide to Board Certification in Anesthesiology, 2010 Application Cycle	ND	
FF	Lifelong Learning and Self-Assessment	ND	
	How to Submit LL-SA (CME) Activities ABA-ASA Lifelong Learning (LLL) Planning Group		
FF	Maintenance of Certification in Anesthesiology	ND	
	How to Complete a MOCA PPAI Attestation MOCA for Time-Limited Diplomates Certified in 2001		

BOX 6

Meetings Series (Also see comb-bound book in Box 7)

- FF First Annual ABA Diplomates Dinner June 11, 1940
- FF Advisory Board for Medical Specialties, Annual Meetings and Conference,
February 10, 1946
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, October 9-14, 1946
- FF Advisory Board for Medical Specialties, Annual Meetings and Conference,
February 9, 1947
- FF ABA Meeting agenda and abstracts, April 9-12, 1947
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, October 5-11, 1947
- FF ABA Board of Governors Meeting minutes, December 4, 1947
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, April 11-14, 1948
- FF ABA Annual Meeting minutes, October 10-13, 1948
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, April 10-14, 1949
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, Oct. 16-19, 1949
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, October 1-7, 1971
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, March 17-23, 1972
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, January 13-15, 1975
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, April 4-11, 1975
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, September 21-26, 1975
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, January 23-25, 1976
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, April 2-5, 1976

BOX 7

Meetings Series, Continued

- FF ABA Meeting minutes, October 23-29, 1976
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, January 23-25, 1977
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, April 15-18, 1977
- FF ABA Meeting minutes, October 2-7, 1977
- FF ABA-ASA Executive Council Meeting, August 14, 2003

History Series

- FF Historical Sketches 1982, 2000
- FF Miscellaneous articles about ABA Various dates
- FF ABA-ASA Relationship ND
(Includes undated Constitution and Bylaws of the ASA Examining Board Committee on Fellowship.)
- FF ABA-ASA Relationship 1935—1954
- FF Comb-bound book of historical notes on meetings and other events 1938—1966
(Do Not Use)
- FF Photocopy of historical notes 1938—1966
(Use this for all photocopying)
- FF History of the ABA, 1938—1977, compiled by Dr. David M. Little, Jr. Copy 1, Sections A--F ND
- FF History compiled by David Little Copy 1, Sections G-Z ND

BOX 8

History Series

FF	History compiled by David Little Copy 2 (Incomplete)	ND
FF	History compiled by David Little, Miscellaneous drafts	ND

Photographs Series

FF	ABA Seals	
FF	Thomas D. Buchanan tribute	
FF	John S. Lundy certificate	
FF	First Annual Diplomates Dinner	1940
FF	Directors group portrait	1953
FF	Directors group portrait	1955
FF	Directors group portrait	1956
FF	Directors group portrait	1959
FF	Directors group portrait	1961
FF	Directors group portrait	1965
FF	Directors group portrait	1968
FF	Directors group portrait	1969
FF	Directors group portrait	1972
FF	Directors group portrait	1974
FF	Directors group portrait	1975
FF	Directors group portrait	1978
FF	Francis P. Hughes Tribute Dinner	April 18, 2009
FF	Francis P. Hughes Tribute Book	April 18, 2009

BOX 9

Oversize

FF Samples of Certificates

Chronology of ABA Events

Compiled from information in the Meetings Series and the History Series.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
March 23, 1938	Incorporating Meeting of ABA	?
May 24, 1938	Directors' meeting	New York, NY
June 7, 1938	"Conference"	Philadelphia, PA
Sept. 25, 1938	ABA Meeting	New York, NY
Oct. 21, 1938	ABA Meeting	New York, NY
Nov. 27, 1938	Meeting of Representatives of ABS, ABA and NANA	?
Dec. 8, 1938	?	?
May 13-14, 1939	?	?
July 21, 1939	?	?
October 24, 1939	?	?
Feb. 1940	Advisory Board meeting	?
June 9, 1940	?	?
Feb. 16, 1941	Advisory Board meeting	?
Feb. 24, 1941	?	?
March 29-30, 1941	Special Meeting ABA	?
May 31-June 1, 1941	?	?
June 6-7, 1942	?	Atlantic City, NJ
June 6, 1943	"Annual Meeting"	Chicago, IL
June 9, 1944	?	Chicago, IL
Feb. 11, 1945	Advisory Board meeting	?
June 13-16, 1945	?	New York, NY

Dec. 15, 1945	"a short meeting of the Board"	New York, NY
Feb. 10, 1946	Advisory Board for Medical Specialties, Annual Meetings and Conference	Chicago, IL
Oct. 2-9, 1946	Advisory Board meeting	Chicago, IL
Oct. 9-14, 1946	"Ninth official meeting"	Boston, MA
Feb. 8-9, 1947	Advisory Board for Medical Specialties, Annual Meetings and Conference	Chicago, IL
April 9-12, 1947	ABA Meeting	Los Angeles, CA
Oct. 5-11, 1947	ABA Meeting	Cleveland, OH
Dec. 4, 1947	Board of Governors meeting	New York, NY
April 11-14, 1948	ABA Meeting	New York, NY
Oct. 10-13, 1948	ABA Annual Meeting	Philadelphia, PA
April 10-14, 1949	ABA Meeting	Washington, D.C.
Oct. 16-19, 1949	ABA Meeting	Denver, CO
April 23-37, 1950	?	Philadelphia, PA
June 11, 1950	"Special Meeting"	Salt Lake City, UT
Oct. 8-10, 1950	?	Chicago, IL
April 4-7, 1951	?	Coronado, CA
Oct. 12-17, 1951	?	Memphis, TN
March 23-26, 1952	?	White Sulphur Springs, WV
Sept. 28-Oct. 1, 1952	?	Swampscott, MA
April 12-16, 1953	?	Phoenix, AZ
July 10, 1953	ABA Executive Committee meeting	?
Sept. 27-Oct. 1, 1953	?	St. Paul, MN
Mar, 28-Apr. 1, 1954	?	New Orleans, LA
Sept. 19, 1954	Meeting of the Special Committee on Policies of Advisory Board	?

Sept. 26-30, 1954	?	Seattle, WA
Feb. 1955	Advisory Board Meeting	?
Oct. 23-27, 1955	?	New York, NY
Feb, 1956	Advisory Board Meeting	?
March 19-23, 1956	?	Miami Beach, FL
Oct. 21, 1956	?	Coronado, CA
Feb. 10, 1957	Advisory Board Meeting	?
March 24-29, 1957	?	Asheville, NC
Oct. 27-29, 1957	?	Washington, DC
March 23, 1958	?	Chicago, IL
Sept. 28-Oct. ?, 1958	?	San Francisco, CA
Feb, 6-8, 1959	Advisory Board Meeting and Congress on Medical Education and Licensure	?
April 5-?, 1959	?	Phoenix, AZ
Dec. 8, 1959	"Special Meeting"	New York, NY
Feb. 6, 1960	Advisory Board Meeting	?
April 24-29, 1960	?	Miami Beach, FL
Oct. 5, 1960	"Second meeting of c. 50"	New York, NY
Oct. 16-21, 1960	?	Salt Lake City, UT
April 16-?, 1961	?	Kansas City, MO
June, 1961	Advisory Board Meeting	?
Oct. 1-5, 1961	?	Portland, OR
Nov. 4, 1961	?	?
Dec. 28, 1961	?	?
Feb. 2-3, 1962	Advisory Board Meeting	?
April 1-?, 1962	?	Washington, D.C.

Nov. 3-9, 1962	?	Galveston, TX
April 21-?, 1963	?	Scottsdale, AZ
Oct. 6-?, 1963	?	Philadelphia, PA
Feb. 1964	Advisory Board Meeting	?
April 19-?, 1964	?	Palm Beach, FL
Oct. 19-?, 1964	?	Kansas City, MO
April 25-?, 1965	?	San Francisco, CA
Sept. 21-?, 1965	?	Hartford, CT
Feb. 4-5, 1966	Advisory Board Meeting	?
Mar. 27-Apr. 1, 1966	?	Miami Beach, FL
Sept. ?, 1966	?	?
April ?, 1968	?	Scottsdale, AZ
Oct. ?, 1969	?	Boston, MA
Oct. 1-7, 1971	ABA Meeting	Hartford, CT
March 17-23, 1972	ABA Meeting	San Francisco, CA
Oct. ?, 1972	?	Houston, TX
Jan. 13-15, 1975	ABA Meeting	Tampa, FL
April ?, 1974	?	Scottsdale, AZ
April 4-11, 1975	ABA Meeting	Atlanta, GA
Sept. 21-26, 1975	ABA Meeting	San Francisco, CA
Jan. 23-25, 1976	ABA Meeting	Dorado Beach, PR
April 2-5, 1976	ABA Meeting	New Orleans, LA
Oct. 22-25, 1976	ABA Meeting	Tarpon Springs, FL
Jan. 23-25, 1977	ABA Meeting	Palm Springs, CA
April 15-18, 1977	ABA Meeting	Scottsdale, AZ

Oct. 2-7, 1977	ABA Meeting	San Diego, CA
April ?, 1978	?	Clearwater, FL?
Aug. 14, 2003	ABA-ASA Executive Council Meeting	Rosemont, IL