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# Finding Aid - Myron Kuzych fonds (MsC-97)

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# **Myron Kuzych fonds**

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## **Summary information**

**Repository:** Simon Fraser University Special Collections and Rare Books

**Title:** Myron Kuzych fonds

**Reference code:** MsC-97

**Date:** 1943-1980 (date of creation)

**Physical description:** 1.8 m of textual records

Language: English

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

#### Note

Myron Kuzych was a Vancouver boilermaker who was expelled from his union and thus lost his job in 1943, after criticizing the closed shop principle (when an employer agrees to hire union members only). His case, financed by industrialists in BC and Canada, made it up to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in London in June, 1951, where he ultimately lost. This case is important for BC and Canadian labour law because of the argument for an open shop and because it established that someone with a complaint with an organization must go through all the appeals provided by that organization before proceeding to court.

## Scope and content

Fonds consists of records related to Myron Kuzych's case against Bill White, then leader of the Marine Workers and Boilermakers Union. Records include correspondence, notes, newspaper clippings, scrapbooks, transcripts and legal documents from the union, the BC Supreme Court, the Court of Appeal, the Supreme Court of Canada, and the Privy Council.

#### **Notes**

#### Title notes

• Source of title proper: Title based on contents of fonds.

#### **Restrictions on access**

This fonds has not been processed. Restrictions on access may apply; please consult staff for more information.

#### Finding aids

Print inventory available.

#### **Related material**

Related materials can be found in the Marine Workers and Boilermakers Industrial Union, Local No. 1 fonds at University of British Columbia Rare Books and Special Collections.

#### Other notes

<u>Publication status</u>: published<u>Status description</u>: Published

# **Access points**

- Kuzych, Myron (subject)
- White, Bill (subject)
- Textual records (documentary form)
- Labour (subject)