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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Air and Space Museum Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Flight Safety Foundation Collection [Lederer]
<b>Date:</b>	1925-1965
<b>Identifier:</b>	NASM.XXXX.0410
<b>Creator:</b>	Lederer, Jerome, 1902-
<b>Extent:</b>	9.72 Cubic feet ((8 records center boxes))
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Jerome Lederer?, gift, unknown, XXXX-0410, unknown

### Restrictions

No restrictions on access

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## Biographical / Historical

The Flight Safety Foundation (FSF), founded in 1945, is dedicated to improving safety in aviation. The FSF advises airlines on accident investigation, airport safety, operational precautions, and safety in weather forecasting. Jerome F. Lederer (1902-?) was an aeronautical engineer with degrees from New York University (BS, 1924; MS, 1925). After working for the United States Air Mail Service (Aeronautical Engineer 1926-27; Director of Aeronautical Technology 1927-29), Aeronautical Insurance Underwriters (Chief Engineer 1929-40), and the Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) (Director, Safety Bureau 1940-42; Airline War Training Institute 1942-44), he joined FSF as Technical Director 1948-67). Following his tenure at FSF, Lederer moved to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) (Director of Manned Space Flight Safety 1967-70; Director of Safety 1970-72) and the Institute for Safety and Systems Management, University of Southern California (Adjunct Professor 1974- ).

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## Scope and Contents

This collection consists of FSF material from Lederer's tenure as FSF. The material consists of safety pamphlets, accident investigation reports, correspondence, and memos published or received by FSF, as well as papers, letters, pamphlets, and bulletins addressed to or used by Lederer. The collection also includes CAB Safety Bulletins, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, NASA, and Department of Commerce

technical and scientific reports. There is a series of safety posters made by American Airlines dating back to the 1950's.

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## General

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

- Aeronautics
- Aeronautics -- Safety measures
- Aeronautics, Commercial -- United States
- Aircraft accidents

Types of Materials:

- Correspondence
- Pamphlets
- Posters
- Reports

Names:

- Flight Safety Foundation
- Lederer, Jerome, 1902-