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## Collection Overview

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## Administrative Information

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## Descriptive Entry

This accession documents the work of Museum Specialist Robert W. Purdy. Materials include correspondence and records documenting collections management, exhibitions, websites, specimen loans, media productions and related activities of the Department of Paleobiology. Some materials are in electronic format.

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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:

Museum exhibits  
Paleobiology  
Paleontologists  
Sharks

### Types of Materials:

Black-and-white photographs  
Electronic records  
Floppy disks  
Manuscripts

Names:

Purdy, Robert W.

## Container Listing

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Box 1 of 4	Chelonia Couperi
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Box 4

Correspondence concerning specimens (donations, acquisitions, loans, casts, transfers, and importation, identifications); main projects (Lee Creek Mine, the Black Mingo group, and Sharks In Question); and small topics (Fossil Fair, the TV documentary on Megalodon, collections management, and requests to review books)

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