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## Overview of the Records

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<b>Repository:</b>	New York State Archives
<b>Summary:</b>	This series consists of archival copies of the publicly accessible website of the Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor, which is responsible for investigating criminal activity and ensuring the fairness of marine terminal hiring and employment practices.
<b>Creator:</b>	Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor
<b>Title:</b>	Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor archived websites
<b>Quantity:</b>	3 website(s)
<b>Inclusive Date:</b>	2012, 2016, 2019
<b>Series:</b>	B2347

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## Administrative History

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A 1951-1953 investigation undertaken by the New York Crime Commission with the assistance of the New Jersey Law Enforcement Council uncovered pervasive corruption, extortion, racketeering, and organized criminal activity on the waterfront of New York Harbor. The State of New York and the State of New Jersey responded by establishing (N.Y. L. 1953, Ch. 882; N.J. L. 1953, Ch. 202), with the consent of the federal government (P.L. 83-252), the Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor. The commission is responsible for investigating and combating criminal activity and ensuring fair hiring and employment practices on the docks. It registers and licenses individuals seeking to work on marine terminals, operates employment information centers, and investigates suspected criminal conduct.

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## Scope and Content Note

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This series consists of archival copies of the publicly accessible website of the Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor.

B2347-12: This accretion consists of a copy of the commission's Web site produced on February 2, 2012. It contains information about the commission's history and mission, annual reports (2008-2011), and biographies of commissioners and directors. Also included are news releases and articles (2002-2012) documenting actions taken by the commission, law enforcement agencies, and state and federal courts against waterfront employees and union officials who associated with known organized crime figures or engaged in theft, drug trafficking, extortion, and other criminal acts.

B2347-16: This accretion consists of a copy of the commission's Web site that was produced on December 6, 2016. Most of the information included in this copy is also present in the February 12, 2012 copy of the site, but this copy contains additional annual reports (2008-2013) news releases and articles (2002-2016) documenting actions taken against waterfront employees and union officials who associated with known organized crime figures or engaged in criminal activity. Other items of note include proposed amendments (2013-2016) to regulations governing the hiring and employment of waterfront workers and announcements (2013-2017) concerning public meetings and related matters.

B2347-19: This accretion consists of a copy of the commission's website that was produced on October 5, 2019, during the third term of office of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo (2011- ). Most of the information contained within this copy is also present in previous copies of the site, but this copy includes updated information about the commission's leadership and additional news releases (2002-2019) concerning actions taken against waterfront employees who associated with known organized crime figures or committed criminal acts.

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## Use of Records

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### Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of this material.

### Items Online

Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor archived websites, 2012, 2016, 2019

[Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor site \(2012, 2016\)](#)

[Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor site \(2019\)](#)

## Administrative Information

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### Custodial History

The New York State Archives used Web archiving software to copy these websites in order to preserve the information they contain.

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## Access Terms

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- Organized crime--New York (State)
- Labor unions--New York (State)
- New York (N.Y.)
- Racketeering--New York (State)