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**New York State Office of Mental Retardation and  
Developmental Disabilities Office of Counsel Legal Files  
B2457**

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## Overview of the Records

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<b>Repository:</b>	New York State Archives
<b>Summary:</b>	The records in this series are legal files from the Counsel's office which provide advice to the agency on the legal implications of programs, policies, and operations. The series includes, but is not limited to, all legal documents that pertain to the agency, proposed legislation, and correspondence.
<b>Creator:</b>	New York (State). Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities. Office of Counsel
<b>Title:</b>	Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Office of Counsel legal files
<b>Quantity:</b>	145 cubic feet
<b>Inclusive Date:</b>	1973-2006
<b>Series:</b>	B2457

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## Arrangement

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B2457-20: Alphabetical

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## Administrative History

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Under the provisions of Chapter 978 of the Laws of 1977, the Department of Mental Hygiene was reorganized into three autonomous offices: the Office of Mental Health, the Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, and the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse.

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## Scope and Content Note

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## Related Information

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### Related Material

12045Series 12045, New York State Office of Mental Health Office of Counsel Legal Files, contains related records.

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## Other Finding Aids

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### Available at Repository

B2457-12, B2457-20: Container list is available at the repository.

B2457-14: Folder list is available at the repository.

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## Use of Records

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### Access Restrictions

Restricted in part in accordance with Section 33.13, Mental Hygiene Law, relating to confidentiality of clinical records. Access to restricted records permitted under certain

conditions upon application to and approval by the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities.

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## Administrative Information

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### Acquisition Information

This series was transferred under records disposition number 12045.

B2457-12: This accretion includes records from transfer lists 920036A, 920036, 930014, 930005, 950030, and 000010.

B2457-14: This accretion includes records from transfer list 070012.

B2457-16: This accretion includes records from transfer lists 070015 and 070016.

B2457-20: This accretion includes records from transfer list 070018.

### Processing Information

Records in accretion B2457-12 were originally accessioned as accretion 12045-12. They were re-accessioned under series number B2457 to avoid confusion between records transferred by the Office of Mental Health and those transferred by the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities.

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## Access Terms

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- Legal files
- Mental illness
- Litigation
- Counseling
- Malpractice
- New York (State)
- Mental health
- Developmentally disabled
- New York (State). Office for People with Developmental Disabilities
- New York (State). Department of Mental Hygiene