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Finding Aid for

**Jacalyn Shelley Papers, 2002 - 2007**

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**Summary Information**

Creator: Jacalyn Shelley  
Title: Jacalyn Shelley Papers  
Inclusive dates: 2002 - 2007  
Bulk dates: 2002 - 2003  
Abstract: Master of Arts in History. Thesis on the ordination of women in the Episcopal church; supporting research consisting of oral history transcriptions of interviews with seven Episcopal women priests from the Diocese of New Jersey.  
Size: 1 box, 0.25 linear feet,  
Storage: Onsite storage  
Repository: The Burke Library  
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## Administrative Information

- Provenance: Jacalyn Shelley donated these papers to the Archives of Women in Theological Scholarship in July 2007.
- Access: Archival papers are available to registered readers for consultation by appointment only. Please contact archives staff by phone, fax or email [archives@uts.columbia.edu](mailto:archives@uts.columbia.edu) as far in advance as possible.
- Access Restrictions: The collection is unrestricted with the exception of the special conditions of release existing for the transcripts. Please consult the Release forms attached to transcripts
- Preferred Citation: item description, folder title, box #, Folder #, Jacalyn Shelley Papers, Archives of Women in Theological Scholarship, The Burke Library (Columbia University Libraries) at Union Theological Seminary, New York

## Biography

Jacalyn Shelley is an Episcopalian layperson based in New Jersey who has significant service in the Church as a Vestry member, Warden and Diocesan Convention deputy.

## Collection Scope and Content Note

The papers contain Jacalyn Shelley's thesis for Master of Arts in History on the subject of the ordination of women in the Episcopal Church. Her preliminary research, in the form of oral history transcripts of her interviews with seven Episcopal Women priests from the Diocese of New Jersey, is also included. Some transcript folders contain correspondence or annotations to the transcripts. Release forms are attached to the transcripts. Please note the one form which requests that the individual not be named in any publication. These papers provide insight into the experience of the first generation of women priests in Diocese of New Jersey.

## Processing

When the Burke Library acquired the papers, any folded materials were flattened and staples and metal clips were removed. All materials were placed in acid-free folders and boxes.

## Contents List

Box	Folder	
1	1	Donation Letter from Jacalyn Shelly, July 2007
1	2	Interview Transcript: Rev. Frances Catherine. B. Bickerton, 2003
1	3	Interview Transcript: [Name withheld], 2002
1	4	Interview Transcript: Rev. Louise L. Kingston, 2002
1	5	Interview Transcript: Rev. Susan B. Norris, 2002
1	6	Interview Transcript: Rev. Rose Sasso-Crandall, 2002
1	7	Interview Transcript: Rev. Dr. Virginia Sheay, 2002
1	8	Interview Transcript: Rev. Jean R. Smith, 2002
1	9	Changing Gender Roles in Late Twentieth Century America: Ordination of Women in the Protestant Episcopal Church, by J. Shelley, MA Thesis, Monmouth University, NJ, Apr 26, 2003