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#### Coleman T. Holt Collection

Creator: Coleman T. Holt 1943-1945, n.d.

**Quantity:** 1 linear foot, 1 folder

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## **Biographical Note**

Born in Tennessee in 1922, Coleman T. Holt was no stranger to racism and segregation when he joined the U.S. Army in 1942. After testing, he was accepted into aviation cadet flight training at Tuskegee Army Airfield in Alabama. Due to segregation, Tuskegee Army Airfield was the only place African-American military pilots were trained during World War II (1939-1945).

Following basic, advanced, and transition flight training, Holt was selected to fly twin engine B-25 Mitchell medium bombers as part of the 477th Bombardment Group. The 477th Bombardment Group was still in training when the atomic bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki and Japan surrendered.

After leaving the military, Holt became a lawyer and activist in Chicago.

### **Scope and Content of the Collection**

The Coleman T. Holt Collection contains documents related to Holt's training at the Tuskegee Institute during World War II.

## **Arrangement**

The collection arrived in no discernable order. Museum & Library staff has arranged the collection in date order. The collection consists of one folder.

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## **Key Subjects**

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#### **Names**

Holt, Coleman T.

# **Subjects**

Tuskegee Institute.
United States -- Army Forces.

#### **Container List**

Dates	Title	Item ID #	Folder	Box
1943-1945, n.d.	Coleman T. Holt		1	
1943	Application for Aviation Cadet (Air Crew) Training	800208001		

800208002	Tuskegee Institute Division of Aeronautics Diploma	1945
800208003	Certificate for Meritorious Service Certificate	1945
800208004	Honorable Discharge Copy	1945
800208005	Army Air Forces Training Command Certificate of Proficiency	1945
800208006	Army Air Forces Certificate of Appreciation	n.d.
800208007	White House Thank You Letter	n.d.
800208008	The Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Fund Letter	n.d.