

**Guide and Finding Aid for
James M. Bartow Papers, 1969-1986**



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Abstract

Contains the papers of James "Jim" Bartow who is a 1971 graduate of the Duke University Physician Assistant Program. He was also the first physician assistant to be hired full-time to work on staff at the AAPA. He helped organize AAPA's State Chapters. Types of materials include correspondence, brochures, publications, certificates, and plaques ranging from his days as a PA student to his position at the American Academy of Physician Assistants.

Descriptive Summary

Repository

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12000 Findley Road
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Creator

Bartow, James "Jim" M.

Title

James M. Bartow Papers, 1969-1986

Call Number

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Extent

1 box,
5 items,
.8 linear feet

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

No restrictions.

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Biographical Note

A 1971 graduate of the Duke University Physician Assistant Program, Bartow was the first physician assistant to be hired full-time to work on staff at the American Academy of Physician Assistant (AAPA). He was hired in 1977 - three years after the AAPA opened its national office in Washington, DC. – as the organization’s convention manager. A year later, Bartow was promoted to General Manager. In this role, he helped organize AAPA “State Chapters.” He presented seminars to newly elected state chapter officers on how to develop meetings for their local memberships. The AAPA annual meeting grew from 325 attendees and 30 exhibits to 1500 attendees and 140 exhibits before Bartow departed in 1984 to become an independent consultant for managing other associations’ medical meetings.

Collection Overview

Organized into the following series: Papers, 1969-1986.

Online Catalog Headings

These and related materials may be found under the following headings in online catalogs.

American Academy of Physician Assistants

Physician Assistants--USA

Physician Assistants—History

Physicians’ assistants--Certification

Collection Series

Series I: Papers, 1969-1986

Series II: Artifacts

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Papers, 1969-1986.

Contains correspondence, brochures, publications, certificates, and artifacts dealing with James “Jim” Bartow’s time as a PA student and as secretary and staff member of the American Academy of Physician Assistants.

Box 1

Brochures, Publications, and Certificates, 1977-1986

Correspondence, 1973-2974

Duke PA Program Acceptance Letter, 1969

Eugene A. Stead PA Student Society Certificate, 1970

Series II: Artifacts

Box 2

Plaques for being AAPA Secretary, 1974-1976