Collection: Silk & Sandstone Publication Research Files Accession Number: 2017.024

**Finding Aid** 

**Date Range:** 1855-1984

**Bulk Date:** 1977-1983

Creator: Dr. Flavia Alaya

**Containers:** 1 flip top document box

**Storage Location:** PCHS Library and Archives

Aid Created By: Adam Varoqua, Intern

## **Biographical Information:**

Dr. Flavia Alaya is a Professor Emerita of Ramapo College where she taught Literature and Cultural History. She has previously taught in many other Higher Education institutions such as the University of North Carolina, Hunter College (CUNY), New York University, The New School University, Seton Hall University, and Rowan University.

She graduated with a BA in Literature and Political Science form Barnard College and went on to earn her MA and PhD in Cultural History from Columbia University. She also earned a certificate in Urban & Regional Historic Preservation from UNESCO/ICCROM.

In her professional career she has earned Fulbright & Italian Government Awards, a National Endowment for the Humanities Award, Paterson, NJ: Heritage Citizenship Award and Good Graces Awards, and a Trust for Mutual Understanding which was a team award for a study project in Uzbekistan that she was a part of.

Her publications include Silk and Sandstone: The Story of Catholina Lambert and His Castle, The Allen House: A History, Gaetano Federici: The Artists as Historian, and many other written works.

At the time of this writing, she is a member of the New Jersey Historic Sites Council, Chair of the City of Bridgeton Historic District Commission, a Co-founder of The Center for Historic American Building Arts: Bridgeton, and the Vice President of Friends of Hinchliffe Stadium: Paterson, NJ and the New Sweden Colonial Farmstead, Bridgeton.

She compiled historical documents and research materials in the late 1970s to early 1980s for her manuscript *Silk and Sandstone* which detailed the life of Catholina Lambert and his family, as well as the Castle that he built.

## **Scope and Content:**

The Silk and Sandstone Publication research files is an archival collection which focuses on the genealogical information and history of Catholina Lambert and his family. This collection consists of notes, copies of the Silk & Sandstone manuscript during various drafts, letters of correspondence, copies of legal documents and newspapers, government records, and PCHS pamphlets.

## **Series:**

This collection is organized into folders containing items of the same subject. The collection has already been divided into folders. This collection is composed of materials coming from the Passaic County Historical Society.

For further inquiry into the Lambert family, researchers should check the Lambert Photograph Collection (2015.027), Lordville Photograph Collection (1998.18.7.2.), Lambert Research Files (2015.025) and the Dexter and Lambert Business Papers (2015.026).