

EDWARD SADLOWSKI COLLECTION

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(predominantly 1973-74)

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The papers of Edward Sadlowski were placed in the Archives of Labor History and Urban Affairs in March 1976.

Edward Eugene Sadlowski was born in 1938 in Chicago, Illinois. He left school in the eleventh grade and, after serving in the U.S. Army, became a steelworker at age 18 in 1956. He then became a member of the United Steelworkers of America.

Sadlowski was elected shop steward of his plant in 1960 and grievance representative in 1962. The following year he was elected president of Local 65, the youngest person in the union to hold that office. In 1967 he was re-elected to that position.

In 1973, Sadlowski was a candidate for the position of director of District 31, the largest USWA district. His opponent, Samuel C. Evett, won the February 13, 1973, election. Violations were discovered, however, and the election was protested. An investigation by the United States Department of Labor and a federal court fight involving the election followed. Evett agreed to a new election in July of 1974. This election was held November 12 through November 15, 1974. Sadlowski won.

The papers in this collection primarily concern the 1973 campaigns and election, the investigations and litigations which followed, and the 1974 campaigns and election.

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19. International Union Elections Manual (USWA), 3 editions (7)
20. Labor Management Reporting and Disclosure Act, As Amended (1965, 1971, (4).
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24. 1960 National Convention and Election Handbook
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