The papers of Philip D. Porter were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in February of 1978 by his son, Philip Don Porter and were opened for research in April of 1986.

Philip D. Porter was born in Detroit, Michigan on November 13, 1906. He was an early member of the UAW-CIO Local 15, Fleetwood Fisher Body plant, became an organizer for the UAW, and later became a legislative representative for the UAW in Washington, D.C. and Lansing, Michigan and Assistant National Director of the UAW Unemployment Compensation Department. Mr. Porter later became owner of the AAA Bike Shop and was a past president and chairman of the Executive Board of the Michigan Bicycle Dealers Association. He died February 8, 1978.

The papers of Mr. Porter primarily deal with the concern of the UAW with unemployment compensation, especially in the state of Michigan and reflect Mr. Porter's responsibilities as both legislative representative of the UAW and his services as Assistant National Director of the UAW's Unemployment Compensation Department in the early 1940's. The papers also include legal documents relating to Mr. Porter's claim against the Fisher Body Corporation before the Michigan Unemployment Compensation Commission, 1941-1942.
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