The papers of AFA-Dallas were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in 1980 and were opened for research in 1993.

In 1945 a group of United Airline stewardesses formed the first independent union for flight attendants—the Air Line Stewardesses Association. Several similar groups followed their lead through the 1940s, most of which were affiliated with the Air Line Pilots Association (ALPA). The Stewards and Stewardesses Division broke off from ALPA in 1973 and began calling itself the Association of Flight Attendants, a union which in 1981 represented approximately 22,000 members.

The AFA-Dallas papers contain negotiations notes, agreements, budgets, flight attendant pairing schedules, and other material relating mostly to the international union from the 1950s to 1980.

Six manuscript boxes of grievance files were transferred for processing with the Air Line Pilots Association collection.

Important subjects covered in the collection are:

- AFA negotiations
- AFA contracts
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