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## I. Descriptive Summary

Provenance: Nova Southeastern University, Alvin Sherman Library, NSU Archives

Title: Records of Dean Robert A. Uchin, College of Dental Medicine (1996-2016)

Abstract: Administrative and personal records of Dr. Robert A. Uchin, Dean of the College of Dental Medicine at Nova Southeastern University

Extent: 5 boxes and 4 oversize items

## II. Biographical Sketch

Robert A. Uchin has been employed at Nova Southeastern University since 1996. He was initially appointed as the Associate Dean and Director of Extra-Mural Programs in the Health Professions Division, College of Dental Medicine. He was appointed Dean of the College of Dental Medicine in August 2001. He has been in active clinical practice in Fort Lauderdale since 1960. During that time he has held various faculty appointments as a Postgraduate Instructor, Clinical Associate Professions and Clinical Professor of Endodontics. He has served as an Endodontic Consultant for private corporations and on the Advisory Editorial Board of various professional publications.

Dr. Uchin received his graduate degree from Temple University, School of Dentistry in 1960. He is a member of the American Dental Association and Affiliate Societies, the American Association of Endodontists, the Southern Endodontic Study Group, and the Florida Association of Endodontics. He is a Fellow of the American and International Colleges of Dentists. He is a former Presidents of the American Association of Endodontists and the Florida Dental Association. He also served as Fifth District Representative of the American Dental Association OSHA Task Force and Vice Chairman of the Florida Dental Association Services, Inc.

Over the years, Dr. Uchin has been invited to lecture before the American Dental Association, American Association of Endodontists, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Florida Dental Associations, Hinman, Chicago Mid-Winter, Dallas, Greater New York and many other local county, district and international dental societies. He has also been a visiting lecturer at many universities throughout the United States and has lectured internationally through Europe and South America.

Dr. Uchin is politically active and has lobbied to members of the Congress of the United States for special needs care for minority groups, including children, the abused and homeless.

He has been an active member of the Board of the Performing Arts Foundation of Broward County, served on the Board of Governors of the Philharmonic Orchestra of Florida and been a founding chairman and member of the Board of Directors of various Savings and Loan Associations in South Florida.

## III. Scope and Content

General Correspondence, memos, continuing education, license renewals, certificates reports, and proposals are present in the administrative records of Dean Robert A. Uchin. Two yearbooks from his alma mater, Temple University, are also included along with several books from his personal collection and oversized framed artwork and certificates.

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In addition there are materials related to Dr. Uchin's personal hobbies of book and memorabilia collecting including files on signed first editions of books, materials on the World's Fair, and an appraisal of his Black Memorabilia collection.

IV. Access or Use Restrictions

Archival collections are closed to the public. Permission must be obtained from the current NSU Archivist and the Vice President for Information Services and University Librarian. Certain files are restricted to protect identities of former staff and/or students.

V. Contents List

Box 1

- Uchin Collection Finding Aid
- ADA Holding Company
- Biographical Sketch
- BioMet Continuing Education (1 of 4 folders)
- BioMet Continuing Education (2 of 4 folders)
- BioMet Continuing Education (3 of 4 folders)
- BioMet Continuing Education (4 of 4 folders)
- Black Memorabilia Appraisal
- Book Collecting (1 of 3 folders)
- Book Collecting (2 of 3 folders)
- Book Collecting (3 of 3 folders)
- Certificates
- College of Dental Medicine Directories
- Conferences
- Correspondence, Miscellaneous
- Date Planners
- Ephemera
- External Publications (1 of 2 folders)
- External Publications (2 of 2 folders)
- Florida Board of Dentistry - Competency-Based Remediation Manual

Box 2

- Florida Board of Dentistry - Remediation: And Educational Initiative

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- Genealogy
- History of Early American Dental Equipment (dvd)
- HPD Scrub Chart
- InNOVAtions - final draft report 2010
- Laptop
- Lawsuits
- Licenses
- Marlene Uchin
- Memberships, Awards, Continuing Education
- Monetary Donations
- Newspapers
- Nova Southeastern Employment
- Oversize Prints
- Photographs
- Revolt of the Molars (art description) (see oversize items)
- Ryan White Grant
- Stan Hack Photobook (dental figurines)
- Temple University Memorabilia
- Temple University Yearbook 1955
- Temple University Yearbook 1957
- World's Fair Collecting (1 of 3 folders)
- World's Fair Collecting (2 of 3 folders)
- World's Fair Collecting (3 of 3 folders)

Box 3

- Valor Award, American Diabetes Association (glass, fragile)
- Covenant House Mission Statement, Robert A. Uchin, Florida Board of Directors, 1988-1994 (glass, fragile)
- Florida Association of Endodontists, Robert Uchin, Founder (glass, fragile)
- NSU Executive of the Year, 2013 (glass, fragile)
- Florida's Voice on Developmental Disabilities, 2007, Advocate of Distinction (marble, fragile)
- American College of Dentists – Fellowship in the College Award (wood)
- Broward County Dental Association, President of the Year Award, 1981-1982 (wood and metal)

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- Rotary International Award (wood and metal)
- Florida's Voice of the Retarded Award, 2000 (plastic)
- Florida Dental Association Lifetime Service Award, 2000 (wood and metal)
- NSU External Funding Recognition Award, 2013, (wood and metal)
- American Association of Endodontists Edgar D. Coolidge Award, 1990, (wood and metal)
- Norman Rockwell print (wood and laminate)
- American Dental Association Award (wood and plastic)

Box 4

- *The Smoking Gods* by Francis Robicsek. University of Oklahoma Press. 1978. (first edition)
- *A Stroll Through Modernista Barcelona* by Lluís Permanyer and Melba Levick. Ediciones Polígrafa. 1999.
- *Bildgeschichte der Zahnheilkunde / Pictorial History of Dentistry* by Curt Proskauer and Fritz H. Witt. Verlag M. DuMont Schauberg Koln. 1962.
- *The Art of Caring: A Look at Life through Photography* by Cynthia Goodman. Ruder Finn Press. 2009.
- *All-Japan Dentists' Art Exhibition: in commemoration of the 71<sup>st</sup> FDI Tokyo Congress* translated by Masuo Morisaki. Toppan Printing Co. Ltd. 1983.
- *Dentistry: An Illustrated History* by Malvin E. Ring. Abradale Press. 1992. (signed)
- *The Dentist in Art* by J. J. Pindborg and L. Marvitz. George Proffer Ltd. 1961.
- *Colorful Guizhou* compiled by the Information Office Guizhou Provincial Government. People's Publishing House of Guizhou Province. 2002.
- *Educating the Dentist of the Future: The Pennsylvania Experiment* by D. Walter Cohen, Patricia P. Cormier and Joanne L. Cohen. University of Pennsylvania Press. 1985.
- Wooden waiter frog statue
- 2009 NSU Women's Golf National Championship award (fragile, glass)
- 3i glass paper weight with tooth etched inside (fragile, glass)

Box 5

- Painted wood icon of Jesus (wood)
- Florida Dental Association President's Award, 1991-1992 (wood and metal)

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- American Board of Endodontics Diplomate, 1967 (wood and laminate)
- International College of Dentists, Fellow award, 1974 (wood and laminate)
- Florida State Board of Dental Examiners License Certificate, 1959 (wood and laminate)
- American Association of Endodontists Certificate of Appreciation, 1991-1992 (framed – wood, glass, paper)
- 2 Egyptian style painted metal plates (metal and paint)

Oversize Items

- Broward Performing Arts Foundation Board award to Dr. and Mrs. Robert A. Uchin, 1988 (framed, metal, glass, paper and photos)
- Revolt of the Molars – art print (framed, wood, glass and paper)
- Universitas Templana doctorate certificate (framed, wood, glass and paper)
- 46 Reunion Annual de la Academia de Estomalogia del Peru, 1981. Decorated Peruvian metal plate (metal)