

# Guide to the Mirjan R. Damaška Papers on Yugoslavia, Serbia, and Montenegro

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 1950

**CREATOR:** Damaška, Mirjan R., 1931-

**TITLE:** Mirjan R. Damaška papers on Yugoslavia, Serbia, and Montenegro

**DATES:** 1990-2000

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.25 linear feet (1 box)

**LANGUAGE:** The material is in English and Croatian.

**SUMMARY:** The papers comprise correspondence, printed material, and a report compiled by Mirjan Damaška and other lawyers to suggest improvements in a draft treaty prepared by the Croatian government to convert the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia into a Confederation. Correspondence and printed material pertaining to the role of mediation to prevent war in the breakup of Yugoslavia and an appeal to end the war in Croatia are included.

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gfit of Mirjan R. Damaška, 2009.

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## Biographical / Historical

Mirjan R. Damaška received his LL.B. at the University of Zagreb, Croatia, and his Dr. Jur. at the University of Ljubljana, Slovenia, in 1960. He began his teaching career at the University of Zagreb Law School. In 1971, he left Croatia to accept a position at the University of Pennsylvania Law School. Damaška joined the Yale Law School faculty in 1976 and is Sterling Professor Emeritus of Law and Professorial Lecturer in Law. He has served as advisor to the Croatian government in its relations with the International War Crimes Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, and the International Court of Justice in The Hague since 1995.

Biographical information found on Yale Law School website.

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## Arrangement

The material is arranged as received from the donor.

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b. 1, f. 1	Alliance of Yugoslav States, draft treaty and commentary The draft treaty, entitled "Treaty of the Alliance of Yugoslav States (or) The Alliance of South Eastern European States (Proposal)" was prepared by the Croatian government which sought advice on improvements in the draft from the Yale Law School.	1990-1991
b. 1, f. 2	Correspondence regarding articles to prevent war in the breakup of Yugoslavia Includes correspondence with President Jimmy Carter's Atlanta Center on Mediation.	1990-1993, 2000, undated
b. 1, f. 3	Correspondence regarding an open letter, "An Appeal for Peace in Croatia," <i>New York Times</i>	1991 September-October
b. 1, f. 4	Croatia v. the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia Includes bound writings by Damaška and others compiled by the American Croatian Society regarding United States recognition of Croatia.	1991-1992

## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Geographic Names**

Croatia  
Croatia -- Politics and government -- 1990-  
Serbia and Montenegro  
Yugoslavia

### **Genres / Formats**

Treaties

### **Names**

Damaška, Mirjan R., 1931-