**Searching for Ecoterrorism: The Crucial Case of the Unabomber**

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Online Appendix

“Searching for Ecoterrorism” cites material from two archives: the Joseph A. Labadie Collection at the University of Michigan and the UNABOM Collection at Pennsylvania Western University. This Appendix describes these archives and explains how to access them.

***The Joseph A. Labadie Collection***

The Labadie Collection is housed in the Special Collections Research Center at the University of Michigan’s Hatcher Graduate Library. It is one of the largest collections of material related to “radical” political movements in the United States. The Ted Kaczynski Papers were donated to the Labadie Collection by Kaczynski himself, following a request from the archivist, Julie Herrada.[[1]](#footnote-1) The archive opened in 2000. The Kaczynski Papers consist of nearly 100 file boxes of material, including Kaczynski’s publications, journals, autobiographies, notes, drafts, unpublished essays, legal documents, and correspondence. A detailed finding aid is available online.[[2]](#footnote-2) I have cited material from the Kaczynski Papers according to the box and folder numbers, which are listed in the finding aid.

The Kaczynski Papers are under copyright. Researchers may be permitted to take scans of documents, but only for their personal use. Until Kaczynski’s death in June 2023, he retained the copyright; it is now held by an unknown heir, as determined by his last will and testament. Except for some interview tapes and transcripts (which I have not cited), researchers can access the Kaczynski Papers without special permission. Scans of up to two file folders per month can be ordered, free of charge, from the University of Michigan’s Special Collections Research Center.

***The UNABOM Collection***

The UNABOM Collection is housed at Pennsylvania Western University, California. This collection consists of six file boxes of material that were donated to the Pennsylvania Center for Investigative and Forensic Sciences in 2021 by James R. Fitzgerald, a forensic linguist and former FBI agent who played a pivotal role in the Unabomber case. The UNABOM Collection is divided into four document series: the “C-documents,” which were confiscated from Kaczynski’s cabin; the “T-documents,” which include other writings by Kaczynski; the “U-documents,” which were mailed by the Unabomber; and “Miscellaneous Materials,” including FBI reports and analyses. I have cited material from the UNABOM Collection according to the document series and document number (e.g., U-12).

The UNABOM Collection has been digitized and is available online through Pennsylvania Western University.[[3]](#footnote-3) The donor has confirmed that this digital archive includes all of the material in the physical archive.

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1. Julie Herrada, “Letters to the Unabomber: A Case Study and Some Reflections,” *Archival Issues* 28, no. 1 (2003/2004): 35-46. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. “Ted Kaczynski Papers, 1996-2014 (majority within 1996-2005),” University of Michigan Library Finding Aid, <https://findingaids.lib.umich.edu/catalog/umich-scl-kaczynski> (accessed December 20, 2023) [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. “UNABOM Collection,” Pennsylvania Western University Islandora Site, https://harbor.klnpa.org/california/islandora/object/cali%3A885 (accessed December 20, 2023). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)