

The Correspondence of Franklin D. Roosevelt with Felix Frankfurter

Felix Frankfurter was a Harvard Law Professor and an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court. He began corresponding with Franklin Roosevelt in 1921, in the wake of FDR's defeat as the Democratic Party's Vice-Presidential candidate, alongside Presidential nominee James M. Cox. After Roosevelt's election in 1932, Frankfurter became an important informal advisor to the President, and in 1939 he was appointed to the Supreme Court. He served until 1962, and died in 1965. These reels of microfilm contain mainly Frankfurter's correspondence with Roosevelt, along with various enclosures, such as newspaper clippings and other letters. Taken together, they provide considerable insight into both Roosevelt's relationship with a key advisor and into the life of a man who was an important historical figure in his own right.

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