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## Brooklyn Navy Yard Development Corporation Archives Guide to the Bill Turner papers September 2 1945 MC/61

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### Title

Bill Turner papers

### Date

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### Description

This collection contains 1 letter written on board the USS Iowa detailing the Japanese surrender.

### Admin Notes

This collection was transferred to the Archives by Bill Turner in May 2010. It was deemed a loan at the time, it is not known if then became a donation. It was processed by Elizabeth Mc Gorty, Archivist/Records Manager in 2018. This collection has a collection documentation file and a finding aid.

### Creator

Turner, Norman

September 2 1945

### Quantity

1 folder

### Language Of Materials

English.

### Call Number

MC/61

### Scope And Content

This collection contains one letter typed on board the USS Iowa in Tokyo Bay on the morning of September 2, 1945, describing the signing ceremony of the Japanese surrender as the events took place. The letter was written by Lieutenant Norman I. Turner, a 24-year old Navy Officer aboard the Iowa, to his twin brother, Lieutenant Donald C. Turner, an Air Force navigator. Their father, Marine Major Arthur H. Turner, was then serving as Judge Advocate on the permanent general court martial in BLDG 14 in the Brooklyn Navy Yard. Both the USS Iowa (BB-61) and the USS Missouri (BB-63) were built and commissioned at the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

### System Of Arrangement

This collection contains 1 item.

### Administrative Information

**Related Lots:** 2018.002

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## Collection Contents

**Collection: Bill Turner papers, MC/61** (1 record)

Letter from USS Iowa Describing the Japanese Surrender Aboard USS Missouri, 16076