

## **Personal Interview Part 2: James Torczyner**

### **Interview Transcript**

So we were only about 30 or 40 protesters when we started, but we ended up with over a thousand, and we ended up on the front page of the New York Times, in part because we had handcuffed ourselves to the railing of the Soviet Consulate there, but nobody had a key to unlock it at the time, and trying to get out of those handcuffs caused such a commotion that it attracted a big crowd that was not necessarily Soviet Jewry supporters, but they got into it. And during the day, as the radio covered it, and as more people came, it began to take on a life of its own.