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The Jewish Theological Seminary in New York is often off the radar screen for many genealogists but the library is home to almost half a million volumes including manuscripts, rare books and archives. The archives are a treasure yet to be explored by so many of us and yet it is a rich repository of records of Jewish communities, institutions and prominent individuals in the US and Europe  

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[http://www.jtsa.edu/The_Library.xml](http://www.jtsa.edu/The_Library.xml)  
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[http://www.jtsa.edu/The_Library/Collections/Archives.xml](http://www.jtsa.edu/The_Library/Collections/Archives.xml)
Finding aids to the Library’s special collection can be found at:  
http://www.jtsa.edu/The_Library/Collections/Guide_to_the_JTS_Archives.xml

The Special Collections include correspondence and notes about the Jewish community in France from 1700's until after WWII. http://www.jtsa.edu/prebuilt/archives/jtsarchives/france_commmunity.shtml

Also included in the Special Collections are transcriptions of notes, memos and correspondence between the State Department and offices in Vienna, St. Petersburg, Warsaw and Bucharest from 1863-1906 that concern the legal position and persecution of Jews. http://www.jtsa.edu/prebuilt/archives/jtsarchives/usa_gov.shtml

*Ketubot – marriage contracts*

http://www.jtsa.edu/The_Library/Collections/Ketubbot.xml

http://jnul.huji.ac.il/dl/ketubbot/

*Mohel Buchs*

There are some searchable transcriptions of mohel books on-line (not from JTS) http://www.dutchjewry.org/phpr/circumcisions/kisch/circumcisions_izak_hartog_kisch_list.php

There is also a website with facsimiles of mohel books for sale https://www.abebooks.com/book-search/title/mohel/page-1/