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Biographical Sketch

Dr. Ruth Weiner serves as Chairman of the Department of Physical Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences at Florida International University. In this capacity, she is responsible for counseling students, initiating new programs, organizing the science curriculum and designing new laboratories.

Formerly an assistant professor of chemistry at Temple Buell College in Denver, Colorado, Dr. Weiner has been in education since 1962. From 1964-67, she served as a research associate in the Department of Biochemistry at the University of Colorado Medical School. In 1963, she was awarded an Atomic Energy Commission Postdoctoral Fellowship for study at Johns Hopkins University, where she had received her doctorate in physical chemistry in 1962. From 1962-63, Dr. Weiner was assistant professor of chemistry at the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy in Baltimore. In 1963, she was made a member of Sigma Xi, the national scientific honorary.

A board member of the Colorado Open Space Council for six years, Dr. Weiner helped write the Colorado Clean Air Act of 1970 and has won numerous awards for her work on pollution. In 1971, she was awarded the Conservation Award from the Rocky Mountain Center on the Environment, and in 1970 she was runner-up for the Colorado Woman of the Year Award. In 1969, she received the City and County of Denver Clean Air Award.

Dr. Weiner is also the author of numerous articles on air pollution, and produced a half hour film on automobile exhaust emissions for Colorado State University. She served as a board member of the Colorado Open Space Council since 1965, and was chairman of the Colorado Citizens for Clean Air from 1969-71. During 1969-70, she also chaired the Air Pollution Advisory Committee for the Colorado Department of Health.

Dr. Weiner's professional affiliations include the American Chemical Society, American Association for the Advancement of Science, Air Pollution Control Association and the Faraday Society.

She received her B.S. and M.S. degrees from the University of Illinois.