

Kepple (who served between Barker's terms) giving him advice on making political appointments. The remaining items are documents that include receipts from Jacob Vogdes for alcoholic beverages and meals, from Zachariah Poulson for advertising city business in his newspaper, from Daniel Clymer for rent on a house. A folder of Miscellaneous legal filings holds five minor documents and financial receipts relating to cases in which Barker was involved as sheriff.

Series II, James Nelson Barker Papers are random letters and documents dating from 1807 to 1832, and are arranged in two subseries: Correspondence and Documents. Among the former are a letter from John Fanning Watson (1779-1860) that probably accompanied a copy of his *Annals of Philadelphia*, a letter from Joseph Delaplaine (1777-1824) that did accompany sections from his work-in-progress, *Repository of the Lives and Portraits of Distinguished Americans*, and two letters from the actor and manager William B. Wood (1779-1861) regarding theatrical concerns. A printed invitation from President James Madison, inviting Barker to dinner, is simply addressed to "Mr. Barker." Its identification with James Barker is established through the letter written a few weeks later by a Philadelphian, Jacob Vogdes, to Barker in Washington, which mentions the attention paid to Barker by his father's "old friends the president and his Lady."

Documents contains a printed circular letter from Barker as mayor describing the rules for nightly patrols, receipts for three serials subscriptions and a book, for a desk purchased from Mathew Carey, and for purchases from a druggist. Other documents include a testimonial as to the character of Thomas Cooper, a single bank check, and two invoices from Robert Bogle (1744-1848), an African American caterer, for attending to the funeral of Barker's three-year-old daughter Ellen, who died in 1822, and his son who died in 1824.