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Descriptive Summary

Repository

Library Company of Philadelphia 1314 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107-5698

Call Number

McA MSS 018

Creator

McAllister, John A. (John Allister), 1822-1896

Title

Philadelphia Court Records

Inclusive Dates

1802-1862

Quantity

.63 linear feet (2 boxes)

Language of Materials

Materials are in English.

Abstract

This collection consists of legal records, mostly documenting cases heard in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, and includes Arbitration Records (1828-1829), Insolvency Petitions (1821-1822), and Miscellaneous Records (1802-1862). Primarily official legal forms, most of the documents hold little in the way of narrative about the suits cited, and were most likely kept for the value of their signatures.

Administrative Information

Restrictions to Access

The collection is open to researchers. It is on deposit at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, and should be accessed through the Society's reading room at 1300 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA. Visit their website, http://www.hsp.org/, for reading room hours.

Acquisition Information

Gift of John A. McAllister; forms part of the McAllister Collection.

Processing Information

The Philadelphia Court Records were formerly interfiled within the large and chronologically-arranged McAllister Manuscript Collection. The papers were reunited, arranged, and described as a single collection in 2005, under grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the William Penn Foundation. The collection was processed by Louise Beardwood and Sandra Markham. Any views, findings, conclusions or recommendations expressed in this finding aid do not necessarily represent those of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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