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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Law and Lawyers
Date:	1775-1978
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0060.S01.01.Law
Creator:	Warshaw, Isadore, 1900-1969
Extent:	1.45 Cubic feet (consisting of 3 boxes, 3 folders, 2 oversize folders.)
Language:	English .
Summary:	A New York bookseller, Warshaw assembled this collection over nearly fifty years. The <i>Warshaw Collection of Business Americana: Law and Lawyers</i> forms part of the Warshaw Collection of Business Americana, Subseries 1.1: Subject Categories. The Subject Categories subseries is divided into 470 subject categories based on those created by Mr. Warshaw. These subject categories include topical subjects, types or forms of material, people, organizations, historical events, and other categories. An overview to the entire Warshaw collection is available here: Warshaw Collection of Business Americana

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Law and Lawyers is a portion of the Business Ephemera Series of the Warshaw Collection of Business Americana, Accession AC0060 purchased from Isadore Warshaw in 1967. Warshaw continued to accumulate similar material until his death, which was donated in 1971 by his widow, Augusta. For a period after acquisition, related materials from other sources (of mixed provenance) were added to the collection so there may be content produced or published after Warshaw's death in 1969. This practice has since ceased.

Materials in the Archives Center

Archives Center Collection of Business Americana (AC0404)

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- [Series 1: Business Ephemera](#)
- [Series 2: Other Collection Divisions](#)
- [Series 3: Isadore Warshaw Personal Papers](#)
- [Series 4: Photographic Reference Material](#)

Processing Information

Oversize material is unprocessed.

Processing Information

In 2016, with funding provided by the Smithsonian Institution's Collections Care and Preservation Fund, the Archives Center at the National Museum of American History implemented the use of minimal level processing standards to increase information about and facilitate access to more of our collections. A large portion of stored material from the original acquisition received minimal level processing, which resulted in additions to this Subject category. This effort included basic arrangement and replacement of non-archival housing for long-term stability, but staples and other fasteners have not all been removed. Revisions to the encoded finding aid were made to reflect the added content in context to the previously processed material.

Minimal level processing and enhancement of the machine-readable finding aid completed by Nicole Blechynden, September 2017.

Preferred Citation

Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Law and Lawyers, Archives Center, National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution

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Scope and Contents

This subject category - Law and Lawyers - includes law firms and attorney operational records in the form of bills, receipts, business cards, printed advertisements, correspondence and invoices from lawyers. Additionally, the subseries includes printed acts from the New York State Assembly in 1861, and materials related to law clubs and associations, images, and publishers, printers, and publications.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Types of Materials:

Business ephemera
Ephemera

Occupations:

Lawyers

Container Listing

Business Records, Marketing Material, and Legal Documents, 1775-1926

Subseries 1: Attorneys, 1792-1955

Scope and Contents: This subseries includes bills, receipts, business cards, printed advertisements, correspondence and invoices from lawyers. Their services include personal legal work such as a last will and testament, and a client's probate proceedings, business law having to do with shares of stock in the Lake Shore and Southern Michigan Railway Corporation, an undated speech made by a judge, Joseph M. Blake, about a slander suit against a "state reporter," Ives versus Hazard, a 1911 letter by a Mr. Campbell about teaching "New York practice" at the Harvard Law School, a 1907 circular advertisement by C. B. Cralle and Company advertising their services in collecting "claims for bounty, pay and allowances for soldiers or widows for enlistments after 1861, announcement of a law firm formed by Dudley and Michener, previously the "Commissioner of Pensions" and "the late Attorney General of Indiana."

Arrangement: Materials in this series are arranged in alphabetical order by the name of the lawyer or law firm.

Box 1, Folder 1	Abbott Brothers - Atwell, 1869-1889
Box 1, Folder 2	Bakewell - Blake, 1835-1901
Box 1, Folder 3	Boies - Butler, 1867-1910
Box 1, Folder 4	Campbell - Dunne, 1872-1933
Box 1, Folder 5	Franklin - French, 1856-1916, undated
Box 1, Folder 6	Gage - Hyland, 1836-1918
Box 1, Folder 7	James - Kraemer, 1878-1918
Box 1, Folder 8	Langbein Brothers - Miller, 1866-1892
Box 1, Folder 9	Monfort - Nolte, 1857-1903
Box 1, Folder 10	O'Connell-Phillips, 1868-1912
Box 1, Folder 11	Rice-Roosevelt, 1854-1955
Box 1, Folder 12	Sanborn-Swif, 1851- 1904
Box 1, Folder 13	Taggard -Tyler, 1857-1886
Box 1, Folder 14	Veeder - Worster, 1844-1911
Box 1, Folder 15	Power of Attorney, 1872-1881

Box 1, Folder 16 Law Schools, 1896-1916

Subseries 2: Government and Courts, 1816-1978, undated

Scope and Contents: This subseries includes printed acts from the New York State Assembly in 1861 describing acts of the Assembly, for example the authorization on March 1 "extending of streets, and the building of docks and landing places in the city of Brooklyn," stating that "the people of the State of New York, represented in State and Assembly do enact as follows ... Section 1 The common Council of the City of Brooklyn are hereby authorized to..." A very small amount of material is included from the Common Council of the City of New York from 1883, and from the Wisconsin Legislature in 1906. There are official documents and correspondence from various courts in New York State, including the Surrogate Court, Albany (1877), the Court of Chancery, State of New York from 1838, with many items related to the New York Supreme Court, ranging from 1836 to 1900. Materials related to New Jersey Courts, including an indictment and guilty plea for assault and battery which shows an itemized bill from the "Cumberland Oyer and Terminer" for all the expenses related to this case., e.g. entering and filing the indictment, crier's fees, and Justice and Constable fees on the arrest. These expenses are split among the Clerk, Court, Sheriff and "Als."

State of New York Assembly

Box 1, Folder 17	Bills, 1861 January 2-17
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Box 2, Folder 3	New York Courts, 1816-1927
Box 2, Folder 4	Governmental bodies, New York and Wisconsin, 1883, 1906
Box 2, Folder 5	New York Courts, Supreme Court, 1856-1900
Box 2, Folder 6	New Jersey Courts, 1859, 1873, undated
Box 2, Folder 7	Massachusetts Courts, 1877-1878
Box 2, Folder 8	Philadelphia Courts, 1840-1885
Box 2, Folder 9	Courts Illinois, Connecticut, Ohio, New Hampshire, Illinois
Box 2, Folder 10	United States Courts, 1881-1898

Subseries 3: Businesses, Images, and Clubs and Associations, 1796-1930

Scope and Contents: This subseries includes correspondence on letterhead stationery, certificates, a handbill, and advertisements about various businesses related to law and lawyers such as a notary public, a detective, and a collection office. Pen and ink portraits of men associated with the law, such as lawyers and judges and images of a courthouse, a hearing room, and "Justice" are included. The images are all undated. Letterhead correspondence related to various clubs and associations, meeting notices, dues reminders, handbills, are in this series, including the program for the Centennial Celebration of the Organization of the Federal Judiciary Commemorative Literary Exercises held at the Metropolitan Opera House (New York, New York) in 1890.

Box 2, Folder 11 Notary public, law and collection office, commercial adjusters, State Detective, 1796-1886

Box 2, Folder 12 Courthouses, judges, hearing Room, "Justice", images, 1885, undated

Box 2, Folder 13 Portraits A-M, undated

Box 2, Folder 14 Portraits N-Z, undated

Box 2, Folder 15 Clubs and Associations, 1883-1930

Subseries 4: Publishers, Printers, and Publications, 1868-1964

Scope and Contents: This subseries includes correspondence on letterhead stationery, fliers, invoices, advertisements, a price list, catalogues, and pamphlets from publishers in all areas of the United States. One pamphlet reports on each stage of the 1884 trial of a libel suit brought by Bernard Tice of Mount Vernon, New York against Frank and Anne Dromgoole, editor and "proprietor" of "The Recorder," published in Mount Kisco, New York, suing for damages of \$10,000. "The Recorder" published an account of Mr. Tice's (a coroner of Westchester County, New York) behavior at an inquest at G.M. Brundage's Hotel in Mount Kisco where "...Mr. Tice was sober enough to walk and talk but "the writing of the deposition of the witnesses had to be done by the jury foreman." Another pamphlet records comments made by members of the bar of Philadelphia on the death of Arthur Biddle in 1897. Another one details a case in the Court of Common Pleas "selling in equity" for the city and county of Philadelphia between Florence Fitzpatrick, plaintiff, and George W. Chiles, Defendant, about a dispute over rental property in downtown Philadelphia in 1866.

Publishers

Box 2, Folder 16 Advocate - Ihling, 1877 - 1906

Box 2, Folder 17 Incorporating - Zeigler, 1868 - 1910, undated

Box 2, Folder 18 Lawyers' Cooperative Publishing Company, undated

Box 2, Folder 19 Printers, 1890s

Box 2, Folder 20 Publications, 1853 - 1964

Box 2, Folder 21 Articles, 1784 - 1904; undated

Pamphlets	
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Box 3, Folder 4	Pamphlets, 1818, 1849
Box 3, Folder 5	Catalogue, 1875
Box 3, Folder 6	Catalogue of law books, 1887
Box 3, Folder 7	Biographical Sketches Chapter entitled "Lawyer", 1938
Box 3, Folder 8	Pamphlets, 1855, 1877
Box 3, Folder 9	Pamphlet, 1918
Box 3, Folder 10	The History of the Lawyer's Club, 1921
Box 3, Folder 11	Foreign Materials, Canadian and English, 1818-1886, undated
Box ADD45, Folder 2	New Law Dictionary, 1782 Notes: London. In enclosure.
Box SUPP 16, Folder 16	Business Records and Legal Documents, 1775-1926 Notes: Includes correspondence, case opinions, news clippings, contracts, statements, and court documents.
Box ADD45, Folder 1	Justice Court Records, Albany County, NY, 1847 April-1850 April Notes: Benjamin Palmer, Justice.
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