



# SOUTH CAROLINA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## **Kennerty family papers, 1905-1997 (bulk 1960-1995) SCHS# 0628.00**

**Description:** 3.75 linear ft. (2 boxes + one flat file)

**Biographical/Historical Note:** Rosina Marie Sotille Kennerty (1898-1986) was the daughter of Nicholas Sotille (1868-1928) and Marie Sotille (1877-1905). She married William Charles Kennerty (1882-1930), who purchased Ashley Hall Plantation near Charleston around 1919. After his death, the Ashley Hall property was divided among his wife, his daughter Rosina, and his son William C. Kennerty, Jr. Rosina Marie Kennerty (1926-2014), a teacher, married educator Harold B. Seignious (1928-1989).

**Scope and content:** Collection contains records, 1980-1997, relating to the settlement of the estate of Rosina Marie Sotille Kennerty (1898-1986); property records, 1959-1996, pertaining to Ashley Hall Plantation; and miscellaneous papers of the Kennerty and Seignious families. Ashley Hall property records include correspondence, legal documents, plats, an appraisal, and other documents relating to the sale of portions of the property and the construction of a house there in the 1970s. Family papers include biographical information on Rosina Marie Sotille Kennerty and members of the Sotille and Kennerty families; a Seignious family chart; newspaper clippings, some relating to Ashley Hall; school yearbooks, including one for the W. B. Goodwin Elementary School (1968-1969), where Harold B. Seignious was principal; and papers relating to Harold B. Seignious' career in education. Oversize documents include plats, a diploma, and blueprint plans (1977-1978) for a house to be constructed at Ashley Hall.

Note that oversize items are in the flat file drawers in vault, Range 3E.

Photographs removed to the Visual Material Collection.

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**Search terms:**

Kennerty, Rossina Sotille -- Estate  
Seignious, Harold Bignon, 1928-1989  
Seignious, Rosina Marie Kennerty, 1926-2014  
Seignious family  
Sotille family  
Dwellings -- South Carolina -- Charleston County  
Educators -- South Carolina -- Charleston County  
School yearbooks -- South Carolina -- Charleston County

Ashley Hall Plantation (S.C.)

**Container list:**

BOX 1

1-12 Estate records of Rosina Marie Sottile Kennerty, including her will (1980).

BOX 2

- 1 Property inventory, 1983, Rosina S. Kennerty.
- 2 Biographical information on Rosina S. Kennerty.
- 3 Sottile Brothers papers, 1905-1916.
- 4 Biographical information on Sottile family members, including Nicholas Sottile and Frank Joseph Sottile.
- 5 Seignious family chart.
- 6 Inventory of the property of Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Seignious.
- 7 Will, 1972, of H. B. Seignious.
- 8 Miscellaneous family papers.
- 9 Newspaper clippings.
- 10 Annual, 1968-69, for W. B. Goodwin Elementary School.
- 11 "The Pelican" – school yearbook for St. Andrews Parish High School, 1942-43.
- 12 Seignious family papers
- 13 "The Gold and Black" – school yearbook for Andrews High School, Andrews, S.C., 1952.
- 14 Ashley Hall property records, 1959-1976.
- 15 Ashley Hall property records, 1976 (relating to beltway).
- 16 Ashley Hall property records, 1977-1981.
- 17 Ashley Hall property records, 1985-1996.
- 18 Scrapbook, 1953-1961, kept by Rosa M. Kennerty Seignious.

OVERSIZE Material

Pharmacist's license, 1905, for George W. Seignious.

Diploma, College of Charleston, for Harold B. Seignious.

Plats of Ashley Hall Plantation, 1959-1996.

Landscaping plan for H. B. Seignious.

Architectural plans for "A New Residence for Mr. and Mrs. Harold Seignious," George C. Lee, architect.