Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann records, 1857-1928
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Creator: Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann.

Description: 37 linear ft.

Scope and content: Collection consists of correspondence and case records of the Charleston (S.C.) law firm of Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann, as well as correspondence and case records of some preceding and successive legal partnerships and private law practices of James Simons, John D. Cappelmann, J. Ancrum Simons, and others, including the firms of Simons & Siegling (partners Thomas Y. Simons and Rudolph Siegling), Simons & Siegling (partners James Simons and Rudolph Siegling), and Cappelmann & Cappelmann. This collection also includes the personal correspondence and papers of James Simons, Rudolph Siegling, and John D. Cappelmann, as well as papers of the Simons and Cappelmann families.

Note: Bound volumes associated with this collection, including cash books, ledgers, letterpress copybooks, receipt books, and other records, are cataloged separately as collection number 572.00. See separate finding aid for this collection.


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   Siegling, Rudolph, 1839-1894.
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Series Outline:
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BOX 7
478.03 Case and client records, arranged alphabetically by client or case name
NOTE: This series includes records of some previous law practices and partnerships that continued into the firm of Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann, and then into successive practices and partnerships.

478.03 (A)
(A) 01 Nathan Abrahams papers, 1888-1927: Mostly documents pertaining to the estate of Nathan Abrahams (1851-1925) of Charleston, including a copy of his will (1919), and the will (1927) of his sister Caroline Heim of New York. Also included are specifications for the renovation of a house at 476 King Street, Charleston, S.C.

(A) 02 Adger family legal papers, 1880-1907: Mostly correspondence (1883) regarding the sale of Billups Plantation (Clarendon County, S.C.), sold to Thomas Miles of Philadelphia (Pa.), formerly owned by James Adger & Company. Correspondents include Augustine T. Smythe, Thomas Miles, and B. Pressley Barron. There are also letters of John B. Adger answering inquiries about the Shrewsbury family; and a document (1907) concerning real estate belonging to the estate of Susan C. Adger (died 1905). Correspondence of 1880 consists of letters of A.T. Broyles in Anderson (S.C.) regarding Adger family properties in the Pendleton area including Ashtabula, Woodburn and Boscobel.

(A) 03 Ahrens family legal papers, 1876-1914: Mostly documents (1876-1889) pertaining to the estate of Gevert Ahrens of Georgetown (S.C.), who died in 1876. These include a detailed inventory and appraisement (1876) of his property. Other records include a copy of the will (1891) of Catherine Elizabeth Ahrens (nee Tiedemann); and letters (1881-1882) giving information about John Ahrens, who died in Placer County, California, in 1868. One group of documents (1909-1914), including correspondence and contracts, pertains to John Ahrens’ sale of land to the City of Charleston for the purpose of constructing “a sea wall and boulevard” from Chisolm’s Mill to White Point Garden and filling in “low lands.”

(A) 04 William Aiken estate records, 1888-1895: Estate and probate records of William Aiken (1806-1887) include correspondence, letters of administration, statements of receipts and disbursements, and an inventory and appraisement.

(A) 05 Aichel family legal papers, 1880-1910: Mostly documents pertaining to the estate of Oskar Aichel (1837-1895), and some litigation arising from its settlement, chiefly a suit against A.W. Eckel, the estate administrator, by Helena Aichel and other family members. Also included is related correspondence (1901-1908) by Oskar Aichel, Jr. of Portsmouth, N.H. and James Simons.

(A) 06 Albrecht family legal papers, 1890-1895: Documents pertain to the estate of Emil Albrecht (1841-1890), a Charleston baker, and include a copy of his will, and a letter regarding a claim against the estate by the deceased’s daughter-in-law.

(A) 07 Alston family legal papers, 1878-1918: This collection mainly consists of estate records and includes copies of the will of Fanny Buford Fraser Alston (1820-1897), the widow of John Ashe Alston (1816-1858), and the will (1918) of Helen Alston, and of her son John Ashe Alston, Jr. (1842-1882), with related correspondence. Correspondents include Rowland Alston (1853-1920) and Emma R. Alston, the widow of John Ashe Alston, Jr.

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(A) 08 Amme family legal papers, 1887-1906: Collection consists of estate records and correspondence, most of which pertain to the estate of Christian Amme (1830-1899) of Charleston, and the estate of capitalist Baron Johann Bernhard Von Glahn (1826-1899), who left a legacy to the Charleston Orphan House. Mrs. Amme, the widow of Diedrich A. Amme (1859-1937), made a claim against the Von Glahn estate. Also includes a copy of the will (1891) of Frederick August Aschenbeck.

(A) 09 Ancrum family legal papers, 1876-1900: Mostly papers relating to the legal affairs of Dr. John L. Ancrum (1839-1900), including legal documents (1880) pertaining to a lawsuit, John L. Ancrum v. F. Wehmann, a breach of contract case involving “the steam yacht Young America.” There are also documents in the case of Hugh Maguire v. the Northeastern Railroad Company, ex parte John L. Ancrum (1882); and correspondence that in part concerns bonds owed by the estate of Henry W. Kinsman (died 1892) to John L. Ancrum. Other documents include a copy of a 1794 indenture between James McAlister and Sarah Eliza Ancrum (and others); and three invoices (1876-1878) for Samuel Ancrum’s purchases of liquor, groceries, fabrics and other goods.

(A) 10 Ansel family legal papers, 1884-1905: Mostly documents relating to estate and financial matters of the Ansel family, including copies of the will of Frederick (or Friedrich) Ansel of Charleston and his wife Josephine Ansel, as well as related correspondents. Correspondents include Martin Frederick Ansel (1850-1945) and Josephine Ansel. (Note: according the records of the J.M. Connell Funeral Home, an F. Ansel died on Jan. 7, 1891, aged 60 years).

(A) 11 Avinger family legal papers, 1879-1904: One group of documents relate to James Francis Avinger (1834-1921) and Thomas J. Avinger (1838-1898), who were at one time business partners. These include letters (1883) of J.F. Avinger, a commission merchant of Liberty (S.C.), and notes about the partnership. J.F. Avinger’s letters mention George Washington Avinger (1840-1904), and there are a few letters relating to his affairs. Other documents (of possibly unrelated persons) include a separation agreement (1879) between Thomas J. Avinger and his wife Adeline; an affidavit and summons (1886) in the case of Allen Doughty v. Ransom E. Avinger (Ransom Edward-Mahoney Avinger, 1849-1902); and a letter (1904) of Caroline Virginia Avinger (1872-1956).

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(B) 01 Backes family legal papers, 1886-1892: Mostly legal documents and correspondents pertaining to the estate of John Peter Francis Backes (aka Francis Backes), “formerly of Charleston South Carolina” who died in Heidelburg (Germany) in 1866. His sole heir, his widow Augusta Mathilda Backes, died in 1881 and bequeathed her property to her sister Caroline Sprosser, who died in 1884. Correspondents include George Caulier, an estate administrator, and J.H.F. Koenig (or Koenig). Documents include the (unrelated?) will (1891) of William Backes, and estate accounts.

(B) 02 G.T. Baughman legal papers, 1893-1896: Mostly correspondence relating to efforts to obtain a pardon for G.T. Baughman, who was “convicted at Greenville, S.C., of counterfeiting.”
The papers include a petition to President Grover Cleveland and two letters from Baughman’s wife, Tena Brennecke Baughman (1859-1918) to Charleston attorney John D. Cappelmann.

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(B) 03 Beckroge family legal papers, 1892-1922: Papers include several letters to attorney John D. Cappelmann from Henry George Beckroge (1894-1944) concerning some family property; copies of the wills of Herman Beckroge (1867-1892) and John H. Beckroge (1863-1927); a petition of Anna G. Beckroge for the administration of the estate of Margaretha (Meta) Hilken (died 1894); and a document dissolving the business partnership of John H. Beckroge & Son.

(B) 04 Behlmer family legal papers, 1882-1917: Papers mainly consist of documents relating to the estates of Henry W. Behlmer (1856-1899) and Sophie Marie Brunjes (the aunt of Mrs. Sophie Behlmer Grovermann), and other members of the Behlmer family. Also included is an abstract of title (1882) to property on Franklin Street (Charleston, S.C.) to be purchased by George H.G. Behlmer (1858-1901). The abstract mentions a lawsuit against Margaret C. Lafar (1824-1862), and an attached note gives details about Mrs. Lafar’s children.

(B) 05 Behrmann family legal papers, 1893-1910: Mostly documents relating to the estate of Catherine Rahall Behrmann (died 1893), including a copy of a marriage settlement agreement, and a petition by her husband Henry Behrmann (1842-1911) for letters of administration. Other items include a document pertaining to the purchase of 22 Vernon Street (Charleston, S.C.) by Henry Behrmann.

(B) 06 Bequest family legal papers, 1885-1908: Mostly records pertaining to the estate of B.H. Bequest of Charleston, including bills, bank books, estate accounts, and a conveyance of a lot at the southwest corner of Pitt and King streets in Mount Pleasant, S.C., sold by the estate of Mrs. Theresa Gieschen. Other items include a bond and correspondence of August Bequest (1852-1923); and a mortgage (1885) on Spring Grove Plantation (St. Paul’s Parish, S.C.), mortgaged by August Bequest to James L. Platt. (Note: B.H. Bequest was the mayor of Mt. Pleasant from 1876 to 1879).

(B) 07 Binder family legal papers, 1879-1928: Papers consist of copies of the will of Lena (or Lina) Binder of Charleston; a certificate from the U.S. Consulate in Brunswick (Germany) concerning Heinrich Christian Georg Ludwig Binder; and proofs of death of Louis Binder (1829-1878) relating to an insurance policy.

(B) 08 Bischoff family legal papers, 1873-1923. **SEE ONLINE RECORD**

(B) 09 Ella R. Bock estate records, 1901-1903: Records consist of copies of the will of Ella R. Bock, legal notes on the estate, a letter (1901) of Ella R. Bock, and a statement of her last wishes.

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(B) 10 Alfred Bourges letters, 1880-1881. **SEE ONLINE RECORD**
(B) 11 Buck family estate records, 1887-1902: Records consist of copies of the wills of Meta Wiebcke Buck (1834-1891) and Henry C. Buck (1866-1912), and a legal opinion concerning the estate of the former.

(B) 12 Bullwinkel family legal papers, 1883-1923: Correspondence, legal documents, and other records pertaining to the financial, legal, and estate affairs of various members of the Bullwinkel family (also spelled Bulwinkel, Bulwinkle, etc.) of Charleston (S.C.). Persons represented include John A. Bulwinkle, H.B. Bulwinkle, Cecilia Bulwinkle, John H. Bulwinkle, and John D. Bulwinkle. One group of documents relates to a lawsuit arising from the settlement of the estate of Gevert (or George) Bulwinkel or Bullwinkel (1848-1897).

(B) 13 Busch family legal papers, 1857-1895: Documents include the will (1857) of Stephen (or Steffen) Busch, Sr. (1825-1857), and legal documents (1888) relating to the case of Stephen Busch, Jr. (1857-1889) v. Henry M. Busch, Adeline Claussen et al.

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(C) 01 Cain family legal papers, 1887-1901: Mostly correspondence and legal documents pertaining to lawsuits arising out of the settlement of the estate of William Pinckney Cain (1843-1895), a grocer of St. Matthews (in Calhoun County, S.C.). There are also letters (1887) of N.H. Guyton (Georgetown, S.C.) and J. Calhoun Cain (Moncks Corner, S.C.) concerning Brick House Plantation “near Strawberry depot.” (SEE ALSO Guyton Family Legal Papers, 478.11)

(C) 02 Claussen family legal papers, 1881-1920: Papers chiefly consist of correspondence, and financial, legal, and estate records pertaining to various members of the Claussen family. Persons represented include Dora Hesse Claussen (1878-1937), F.W. Claussen, John D.W. Claussen (1872-1926), Wilhelmina Claussen, John Casper Claussen (1831-1895), and John H. Claussen.

(C) 03 Doris W. Claussen estate records, 1906-1909: Records include correspondence, tax receipts, and an inventory of “the household goods and chattels estate of Mrs. D.W. Claussen, 316 Meeting Street.” There are also plats and other records pertaining to the sale of estate properties at 314, 125, and 127 Meeting Street (Charleston, S.C.), and property situated at the southeast corner of Meeting and Calhoun streets. (Claussen, Doris W., 1835-1906)

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(C) 04 J.C.H. Claussen legal papers, 1871-1903: Papers of John Christian Henry Claussen (1823-1910) include correspondence as well as legal, business, and estate records. Legal documents chiefly pertain to the cases of Catherine Campsen v. J.C.H. Claussen, and George H. Lindstedt (1829-1897) v. J.C.H. Claussen, and include a copy of the will of John (or Johann) Campsen (died 1871). Miscellaneous records include a builder’s estimate (1894) for the construction of a dwelling house and other structures. This collection consists of about 75 items (in four folders).

(C) 05 Cohen family legal papers, 1890-1907: Correspondence and legal documents chiefly pertaining to the estates of Asher David Cohen (1838-1904) and his wife Miriam Hart Cohen (1840-1918) of Charleston, S.C.
(C) 06 Emma Colberg estate papers, 1915-1927: Estate records chiefly consist of copies of the will of Emma Colberg (died 1915), and correspondence of her executor, John D. Cappelmann, whose letter of October 17, 1927, mentions that her will dictated that a sum of money be sent to the German ambassador “for the benefit of women who have lost their husbands or male supports in the war” (World War I). There is a photograph of Emma Colberg in the photograph series (478.20).

(C) 07 John Conroy papers, 1885-1909: Mostly business correspondence of 1885, many letters bearing the letterhead of “John Conroy & Co., Coal Dealers and Stevedores.” Correspondents include James F. Redding of Charleston, S.C. One letter of 1909 concerns property at #30 Hasell Street and on Anson Street, owned by John Conroy (1829-1885), and includes some information on the Conroy family.

(C) 08 Cooper v. Cooper case records, 1905-1907: Correspondence and legal documents pertaining to the case of Robert Muldrow Cooper et al. v. Francis Pelot Cooper et al., a lawsuit arising out of the settlement of the estate of George William Cooper (1817-1875) of Sumter County, S.C. Records include copies of G. W. Cooper’s will and genealogical information on the Cooper family.

BOX 12
(C) 09 Cox family legal papers, 1897-1919: One group of letters and legal documents chiefly pertains to the estate of Bernard Lionel Cox (1872-1910), a farmer of Ethel (near Meggett, S.C.). Correspondents include I. G. Lanier of Fort Fremont, S.C., and Bernard Cox’s widow Mamie Estelle Gay Cox (1878-1958), whose letters also concern her financial and property matters (including the sale or rental of her plantation “on Toogoodoo”), and those of her son Ira Clinton Cox (1896-1954) of Meggett. Another group of documents relate to the estates of George W. Cox and Thomas C. Cox, who owned land in St. Thomas Parish, S.C., near Cainhoy. Other correspondence concerns the financial affairs of W. H. Cox of Yonges Island, S.C. Some of these individuals may be unrelated. This collection consists of approximately 125 items (in two folders).

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(D) 01 Danehy v. Danehy case records, 1889: Records consist of notes on the Danehy family of Charleston, S.C., and a transcript of legal documents of 1884 pertaining to the case of Mary Danehy v. Patrick Danehy et al.

(D) 02 Dingle family legal papers, 1883-1901: Papers include a copy of the will of Heloise M. Dingle, and a legal document pertaining to a case (Charleston County Court of Common Pleas) involving the estates of William Searle and Gabriel Wesley Dingle (1826-1893). The latter owned land in Sumter, S.C. Other persons mentioned include Agatha Dingle.

(D) 03 Doar family legal papers, 1884-1907: One group of papers consists of letters (1888-1907) of David Doar (1850-1928) and Samuel Cordes Doar (1853-1937), Santee River rice planters, to the law firm of Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann, concerning their debts and difficulties with
their crops. Other correspondence and papers concern the case of John W. Doar v. Thomas W. Westbury (executor of Louisa Ann Doar), Esther Ann Osteen et al., a lawsuit concerning the estate of Thomas Doar (1795-1857), a Christ Church Parish planter, and his wife Louisa Ann DuBois Doar (1800-1883). Also included are copies of the will of Marquis (or Marcus?) L. Doar (1825-1902).

(D) 04 Doscher family legal papers, 1881-1903: Includes copies of the wills of John H. Doscher and Ernst H. Doscher (1859-1903); a bond (1896) between William C. Doscher and Wilson, and other papers relating to the financial affairs of William C. Doscher; and a copy (1887) of a German legal document relating to Christopher Doscher.

(D) 05 Dressel family legal papers, 1891-1911: Mostly papers pertaining to the estate of George Dressel (1837-1900). Also includes a petition relating to the estate of Elise (or Elizabeth) Dressel.

(D) 06 Ducker family legal papers, 1880-1921: Correspondence and legal documents chiefly pertaining to the legal and estate affairs of various members of the Ducker family including Rosina Sahlmann Ducker (1842-1920), C. G. Ducker, William J. Ducker, and Maude Peters Ducker. There are also papers concerning John H. Ducker’s plantation on the Santee River called Blackwood.

(D) 07 Dunn family legal papers, 1890-1896: Correspondence and legal documents pertaining to various members of the Dunn family. Most concern the case of Rosa M. Whiting, Charles Dunn et al. v. John P. Dunn et al. Some persons of the name Dunn may be unrelated.

(D) 08 Dunnemann family legal papers, 1871-1919: Mostly correspondence relating to the legal and financial affairs of various members of the Dunnemann family including J. H. Dunnemann and Emilie Dunnemann.

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(E) 01 R. C. Easterling estate records, 1906: Mostly correspondence relating to “a lot of land” in Georgetown (S.C.) “belonging to the estate of the late Rebecca C. Easterling,” which was purchased from the heirs of Thomas Chapman (died 1817). Also includes notes on the Chapman family.

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(E) 02 Eckel family legal papers, 1886-1912: Mostly correspondence pertaining to the legal affairs of Charleston pharmacist August W. Eckel (1837-1903), including the sale of his property on Sullivan’s Island to the United States government “for batteries to defend this harbor.” Correspondents include Captain F. V. Abbot of the U.S. Corps of Engineers. Other items include a draft of the will of Anna Francesca Eckel.

(E) 03 Elfe family legal papers, 1882-1895: Papers include receipts and a letter of William T. Elfe of Charleston, S.C.; an abstract of title to property on Archdale Street in Charleston.
belonging to Albert Elfe; and letters (1895) from Mrs. Henrietta N. Elfe Wilson in New Jersey regarding her “late father’s property.”

(E) 04 George Englebert estate records, 1892-1893: Papers include a document granting power of attorney to a German consular agent by the heirs of George Engelbert of Charleston. The document lists the names and ages of his nieces and nephews in Germany. Also included is a statement by the sexton of the Middletown Cemetery in Ohio certifying the burial of Anna Engelbert (died 1893). The name is sometimes spelled Engelbert or Englebrecht.

(E) 05 William Enston Home records, 1884-1888: Correspondence and documents chiefly concern the sale of properties in the city of Charleston by the trustees of the William Enston Home. Includes an abstract of title to 173 King Street, and an extract from the minutes of a trustee meeting relating to these properties.

(E) 06 Lillie D. Ellis and Anna F. Norris v. Eveline B. Nix et al. case records, 1909-1918: Correspondence and legal documents concerning a lawsuit involving the estate of Anna Dora Mayer Fleming (1834-1909) of Charleston. One of the principal correspondents is Mrs. Lillie D. Fleming Ellis (1856-1927) of Hampton, S.C., the daughter of Anna D. Fleming. Other correspondents include John D. Nix and James T. Nix of New Orleans, Louisiana. Included are copies of the will of Anna D. Fleming.

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(F) 01 Feldman family legal papers, 1870-1922: Correspondence and legal documents chiefly relate to the business and estate affairs of Benjamin Feldman (died 1895), a Charleston merchant, and partner in the firm of B. Feldman & Co., with Robert Teskey; his wife Julia Feldman (nee Teskey, died 1898); and George Arthur Feldman (died 1918), the adopted son of Benjamin Feldman who was “born Scanlan.” Papers include copies of the wills of these three individuals and inventories of their estates. George A. Feldman bequeathed all his property to his mother Belinda J. Scanlan of Thornbury (Ontario, Canada). George A. Feldman estate papers also include correspondence of his sister Dora A. Armstrong of Thornbury (Canada), some of which concerns George A. Feldman’s adoption by Benjamin Feldman. George A. Feldman is buried at Magnolia Cemetery in Charleston as George Arthur Scanlan. This collection consists of approximately 75 items (in three folders). There is a photograph of “R. Teskey” in the photograph series (478.20).

(F) 02 Ferguson family legal papers, 1882-1905: Papers relating to various individuals by the name of Ferguson, who are not necessarily related. Includes letters (1882-1883) regarding Clarissa Ferguson, the widow of William Ferguson of Charleston; a conveyance (1883) of land in Cawcaw Swamp, a tract belonging to the estate of James Ferguson (1784-1874) of Berkeley County, S.C.; a letter (1892) concerning Mrs. Jane Ferguson, who died in 1872; and a letter (1905) concerning John Ferguson, an alumnus of the Harvard University law school.

(F) 03 Fincken family legal papers, 1879-1909: Papers include copies of the will of Albert Fincken; a draft of the will of Ida Marie Fincken (1859-1916); estate records of Anna M. C.
Fincken of Charleston, including an estate inventory; correspondence of J. A. Fincken of Beaufort, S.C.; and a memorial to Edward Henry Fincken (1859-1909).

(F) 04 Freer family legal papers, 1876-1918: Papers include an insurance claim on the life of E. Marion Freer (1819-1876) of Summerville, S.C.; a copy of the will of John J. Freer; a letter of James Hamilton Freer (1831-1900); and a letter from attorney John D. Cappelmann to Mrs. Mary Alice Campbell of Newport (Tenn.) concerning her possible connection to the John J. Freer family. Some of these individuals may be unrelated.

BOX 14
(F) 05 Franke family legal papers, 1865-1915. SEE ONLINE RECORD

BOX 15
(F) 05 Franke family legal papers, 1865-1915. (continued)

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(G) 01 Gadsden family legal papers, 1881-1911: Papers include notes and transcripts of legal documents concerning Gadsden family property in Charleston and Summerville, S.C.; and letters concerning the family of Thomas Fisher Gadsden (1839-1891) and Mary Trapier Gadsden (1840-1909).

(G) 02 Gahagan family legal papers, 1899: Three letters to the firm of Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann concern the estate of James Bernard Gahagan (1830-1898) and his plantations “on Ashepoo, Fraser Township.” One letter lists the birth dates of nine Gahagan family members.

(G) 03 William A. Gammell papers, 1882-1901: Correspondence and legal documents chiefly pertain to the settlement of the estate of William A. Gammell (1843-1889) of Summerville, S.C. and Charleston, S.C. Correspondence includes some letters (1882-1888) from William A. Gammell to the law firm of Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann pertaining to his business and financial affairs. Later correspondents include his widow, Marie H. Ancrum Gammell (1843-1901), L. W. Landershine of Atlanta and Savannah, Ga., Dr. John Lawrence Ancrum (1839-1900), and D. G. Purse of Savannah. Legal documents include an opinion on the will of William A. Gammell.

BOX 16
(G) 03 William A. Gammell papers, 1882-1901. (continued)

(G) 04 Gantt family legal papers, 1881-1896: Papers include letters of Richard Stone Gantt (1827-1913), a merchant of Wellford, S.C. concerning his property and financial affairs, and a conveyance (1896) of property on Montague Street in Charleston, S.C., conveyed by Richard S. Gantt to his daughters Ella Paine and Eliza Brodie LeMaistre. Also included is a letter (1881) to attorney James Simons from James L. Gantt in Summerville, S.C. regarding some property in Flat Rock, N.C.
(G) 05 Garden family legal papers, 1880-1902: Mostly correspondence and legal documents pertaining to Cecilia Garden of Summerville, S.C., and the guardianship of her children. Papers include a master’s report in the case of Cecelia Garden v. Ann L. Garden et al. Two (possibly unrelated) letters of 1902 concern the legal change of name of Alester Garden Gibbes (1813-1843) to Alester Garden.

(G) 06 Geilfuss family legal papers, 1886-1912: Correspondence and legal documents chiefly relating to the settlement of the estate of August H. F. Geilfuss (1830-1901). Includes a copy of his will and an inventory of the estate of August Geilfuss (“sometime known as August Heinrich Freidrich Geilfuss”), who was a Charleston baker. There are also papers pertaining to the estate of his wife Augusta (1843-1904, “sometime known as Augusta Rebecca Henriette Geilfuss”), including an estate inventory. This collection consists of approximately 90 items (in two folders).

BOX 17
(G) 07 Gerdes family legal papers, 1879-1919: Papers consist of legal documents pertaining to the case of Johanna S. Gerdes v. H. Klatte & Brothers; and two copies of the will of Anna Geerdes (or Gerdes) of Charleston, widow of Henry Gerdes.

(G) 08 Gibbes family legal papers, 1882-1901. **SEE ONLINE RECORD**

(G) 09 Gibbon family legal papers, 1888-ca. 1909: Paper include a copy of a letter (1843) to John Gibbon concerning title to property on Hasell Street in Charleston; a newspaper notice (1888) of the “estate sale” of a house at 52 Hasell Street; a lawyer’s memorandum concerning a conversation with George E. Gibbon about the estate of John Gibbon; and legal notes relating to the will and estate of George Gibbon (1793-1868).

(G) 10 Gilbert family estate records, 1897-1904: Records consist of copies of the wills of Stephen Capers Gilbert (1838-1903) and his wife Mary T. Walker Gilbert (1843-1909) of Charleston, and a related letter.

(G) 11 Glover family legal papers, 1879-1925: Papers include copies of the wills (1905) of Clarence J. Glover of Meggetts, S.C., and his wife Laura F. Glover; and legal documents in the case of James Bowman Glover (1851-1918) et al. v. Catherine Clara Paul Glover (died 1942), a lawsuit involving the estate of John O. Glover (1820-1866). Some individuals by the name of Glover represented in this collection may be unrelated. A letter (March 31, 1885) from James S. Glover in Walterboro, S.C. concerns a plantation called Oakland, or Riverside.

(G) 12 Gorse family legal papers, 1884-1899: Most documents pertain to the estate of George Ernst August Gorse (died 1894), a “citizen of Charleston County” who died intestate in Germany. There are also two documents relating to Peter N. Gorse.

(G) 13 Alphon Grant estate records, 1881: Records include copies of the will of Alphon Grant (died 1881) of Charleston, and legal documents in the case of Malvena (or Malvina) Mills, executrix, v. Ann Grant and Frances Grant (Alphon Grant’s mother and wife).
(G) 14 Margaret Gravell legal papers, 1900-1901: Correspondence relating to the legal affairs of the family of Miss Margaret Gravell, a dealer in hair goods and toiletries in Charleston, S.C. Letters chiefly concern some property in Ireland apparently owned by Mrs. Kate C. Gravell and Charles O’Dell Gravell. (Note: Margaret Paula Gravell, 1854-1937, is buried at Magnolia Cemetery in Charleston. She was the daughter of George Gravell and Catherine Constance Gearon.)

(G) 15 Gregorie family legal papers, 1876-1901: Papers include an indenture (1897) between H. H. Gregorie and Benjamin Simons leasing Green Point Plantation (Beaufort County, S.C.) to the latter; a bill (1901) for expenses for the burial of Henry Hutson Gregorie (1836-1900); a letter (1877) from Samuel V. Gregorie (1849-1899) at Woodland Plantation (“near Mt. Pleasant”) concerning a debt owed by his father F. Gregorie; and a deed of partition (1885) relating to the estate of Peter B. Matthewes (died 1861), one of whose heirs was Sarah E. Gregorie.

(G) 16 Grimke family legal papers, 1892-1897: Papers mainly consist of documents and correspondence pertaining to the estate of Mary Augusta Secunda Grimke (1826-1895) including a statement of her last wishes (1893); estate accounts; a letter of Edward Montague Grimke (1832-1896); a notarized deed concerning the disbursement of her estate; and correspondence of Augusta B. Hanckel, M. S. Hanckel, and M. A. Hanckel. There are also papers relating to Julia B. Grimke, and a note from J. Grimke Drayton to the law firm of Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann.

BOX 18
478.03 (H)

(H) 01 Habenicht family legal papers, 1883-1916: Papers include correspondence and other documents relating to August Habenicht and his wife Meta C. Habenicht (nee Dunne), who was seeking a divorce; a deed of assignment of A. W. Habenicht; and two letters (1883) relating to financial affairs of Capt. George F. Habenicht.

(H) 02 Ignatius Hankiewicz legal papers, 1894-1895: Mostly correspondence pertaining to the legal and business affairs of Ignatius Hankiewicz (also spelled Handkiewitz), including claims about fire losses.

(H) 03 Harken family legal papers, 1880-1902: One group of documents pertains to the estate of John H. Harken, Jr. (died 1894). Also included is a statement of taxes due by Jacob H. Harken; and legal documents in the case of Annie Harken v. Joanna D. Harken, “a person of unsound mind.” Some of these individuals may be unrelated.

(H) 04 Haskell family legal papers, 1887-1904: Some correspondence and a report concern the purchase of several plantation properties in Dorchester County, S.C. including Clay Hill, Tongueville, and Bonneaus, owned by various persons including Mrs. James Heyward Haskell, Jennings W. Perry, and Harry Foster of Summerville, S.C. Another group of letters (1904) from William Elnathan Haskell, Jr. (1869-1936) in Jacksonboro, S.C. to attorney James Simons concerns the threshing of a rice crop. Also included is a bank book (1887) of Alexander Cheves Haskell (1839-1910).
(H) 05 Herman Hastedt estate papers, 1890-1894: Papers include copies of the will of Herman Hastedt (1820-1893), a native of Germany and a resident of Charleston, S.C.; an inventory of his estate; and a related power of attorney.

(H) 06 Heape family legal papers, 1869-1924: Mostly correspondence and financial and legal documents pertaining to the estates of James E. Heape (1807-1880) and his wife Mary Dupont Heape (1820-1882), and Ida D. (Heape) Brown, including tax receipts, promissory notes, and an appraisement of the personal property of James E. Heape. The principal correspondent is William D. Heape of Florence, S.C. A copy of a letter dated Jan. 21, 1924, is a plea to the governor of South Carolina for clemency for the murderer of John Madison Heape (died 1923) of Ladson, S.C.

(H) 07 Heinsohn family legal papers, 1890-1892: Several letters (1890) concern Frank Heinsohn's business difficulties. A statement by Gerhard Riecke announces a meeting of Frank Heinsohn's creditors. Papers also include copies of the will (1892) of John Henry Heinsohn, a native of Germany and a resident of Charleston, S.C.

(H) 08 Hencken family legal papers, 1889-1920: Papers include a statement (1917) by Charles F. Hencken (1855-1918) concerning the estate of his late father, John M. Hencken (1818-1865), “who died on Johnston’s Island…Ohio…while in the service of the Confederate Army, being a prisoner of war.” Also included is a power of attorney pertaining to the estate of Albert Hencken of Charleston (died 1888); letters of Julia D. Hencken (1858-1930) in Walhalla, S.C.; and legal documents regarding the estate of Carsten F. Hencken (died 1896).

(H) 09 Henne family legal papers, 1902: Mostly correspondence of August Henne in Brooklyn, New York concerning the will of his father August Henne, Sr. (died 1902), and property he owned in Summerville, S.C.

(H) 10 Christiana C. Heriot estate records, 1880-1883: Records include copies of the will of Christiana C. Heriot (1827-1887); notes on her heirs; and her statement concerning the disposition of her real property in Mount Pleasant and Charleston, S.C.

(H) 11 Hesse family legal papers, 1887-1920: One group of letters (1896-1897) pertains to the legal affairs of John Herman Hesse (1849-1923) of Charleston with W. F. Lakin of the Consolidated Store Service Company of Boston, Massachusetts concerning a patent infringement on a “store service apparatus.” Another group of documents relates to the estate of Ernest Julius Hesse (1841-1901), and includes bills and correspondence. Papers relating to the affairs of Mrs. Dorothea (Cappelmann) Hesse (1848-1914) include a copy of her will, a title to real property in Walhalla, S.C., and documents pertaining to the case of Dora H. Claussen and D. C. Hesse v. J. F. Pieper et al. Also included are copies of the wills of C. Henry Hesse and J. Hermann Hesse.

(H) 12 Hirt family legal papers, 1886-1897: Mostly records (1886-1889) pertaining to the estate of Ernst (or Ernest) Richart Hirt, a soldier in the United States Army who left a widow in South Carolina, Mrs. Josephine E. (Doten) Hirt (1837-1910). Estate records include letters, letters of
administration, and notes on the Hirt family. One later letter, dated 1897, which may be unrelated, concerns the financial affairs of a “Miss Hirt” in Charlotte, N.C.

**BOX 19**

(H) 13 Hollo family estate records, 1890-1921: Records include correspondence and copies of the wills of Christiana C. Hollo, Johanna W. Hollo (1830-1921), and Charles Hollo.

(H) 14 Hollweg family legal papers, 1889-1910: Most papers relate to the estate of John H. W. Hollweg (sometimes spelled Holweg) and his widow Christine Hollweg Lubecke. Includes correspondence and a copy of the will of Christine H. Lubecke (1860-1906).

(H) 15 Holmes family legal papers, 1886-1919: One group of documents pertains to William Wigg Hazzard Holmes (1862-1913) and his guardianship of his minor siblings. Other items include a copy of the will of Mary E. (Holmes) Halbert; notes on the family of John L. Holmes (1805-1859) and Rebecca Holmes (1804-1862); and letters and legal documents concerning the estate of James H. Fordham. Some of these persons may be unrelated.

(H) 16 Hopke family legal papers, 1882-1908: Papers of J. G. August Hopke (1877-1947) include legal documents relating to the case of Mrs. Etta Hopke v. J. G. August Hopke et al.; and records concerning Hopke’s purchase of property (located on the north side of Calhoun Street in Charleston between Coming and St. Philips streets), including an abstract of title and a plat. There are also papers relating to the legal affairs of Rudolph Hopke.

(H) 17 Horlbeck family legal papers, 1879-1912. **SEE ONLINE RECORD**

(H) 18 Hughes family legal papers, 1891-1915: Papers pertaining to several members of the Hughes family. Includes correspondence and estate records of George C. Hughes (died 1896), an artesian well contractor of Charleston, his son and business partner W. E. Hughes, and O. E. Hughes. Also includes notes on the Edings and Hughes families, and copies of the wills of George C. Hughes, Edward Matthews Hughes (of Orangeburg, S.C.), and William E. Hughes. Some correspondence of 1894-1896 concerns a plantation on or near Yonges Island, S.C. called Bella Vista, and a related lawsuit that involves members of the Chillingworth, Jenkins, and Whaley families. Also included is a letter (April 25, 1901) of Mrs. M. J. Jenkins regarding Bella Vista Plantation.

(H) 19 Floranthe R. Horsey estate papers, ca. 1881: Records include legal documents in a case relating to the estate of Mrs. Floranthe R. Horsey; notes on the Horsey family; and a copy of her will.

(H) 20 Huiet family legal papers, 1895-1923: Mostly correspondence and documents relating to the estate of Elizabeth H. Huiet (1845-1925), including several copies of her will. Other items include letters of Caleb B. Huiet (1872-1916), a Charleston broker; and a letter from the law firm of Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann concerning a conveyance in trust of land and other property by John Huet to Mrs. S. A. Huet and her lineal descendants, naming her daughter Ida Statira Vaughn (died 1895) and others.
BOX 20
(H) 21 Hurkamp family legal papers, ca. 1870-1905: Papers consist of an undated copy of the will of John Hurkamp (1809-1872) of Charleston; and a title abstract to property on Logan Street in Charleston belonging to Johanna Maria Hurkamp (1812-1890).

478.03 (I)

(I) 01 Inwood family legal papers, 1879-1894. SEE ONLINE RECORD

478.03 (J)

(J) 01 Henry North Jackson family legal papers, 1885-1915: Papers include information on the children and heirs of Henry North Jackson (died 1898) of Charleston, including members of the Doar family; a letter (1895) from a solicitor in London, England, notifying Jackson of his share in the estate of Jeremiah Watts; a letter regarding Lillie Ashmead Jackson’s share of that estate: a petition of Mary Hester Jackson Buist for guardianship; letters of Laney Meyers Jackson and Catherine Jackson (widow of Henry North Jackson); and a copy of the will (1888) of Sarah Watts of Charleston, who is possibly unrelated to other individuals represented in this collection.

(J) 02 Mary S. S. Jackson estate papers, 1880: Papers consist of notes on the Seyle family and related individuals; an affidavit or deposition of John H. Seyle which mentions Mary S. S. Jackson (1802-1877), the daughter of Samuel Seyle; and a legal document in the case of Charles D. Bateman, (executor of Mrs. Mary S. S. Jackson) et al. v. Samuel E. Burgess et al.

(J) 03 Jacobsen family legal papers, 1888: Papers consist of four notarized, sworn statements by Rosalie Rosenberg Jacobsen [or Jacobson?], Rudolph Jacobsen, Bennett Jacobsen, and Louis Cohen; and a corroborating certificate by the South Carolina secretary of state. The affidavits mainly have to do with Bennett Jacobsen, a native of Germany and a resident of Orangeburg County (now Calhoun County), who changed his name from Bernhardt Jacob [Feibusch].

(J) 04 Jahnz family legal papers, 1892-1926: Papers consist of correspondence, estate records, and miscellaneous documents pertaining to Emil Herman Jahnz (1849-1920), Julius Herman Jahnz (1865-1928), and other members of the Jahnz family. Estate records include copies of the wills of Emil H. Jahnz, Julius H. Jahnz, and Edmund H. Jahnz. Some papers pertain to a business bequeathed to Emil and Julius Jahnz by C. D. Franke. This collection consists of approximately 60 items (in two folders).

(J) 05 Jervey family legal papers, 1885-1916: Papers include a letter of E. P. Jervey to John D. Cappelmann concerning financial matters; a copy of the birth certificate (1913) of Catherine Glover Adeline Moody Jervey; and letters concerning her guardianship.

478.03 (K)

(K) 01 Kelly family legal papers, 1895-1898: Papers include a copy of the will of Margaret M. M. Kelly (the widow of Michael Kelly); a petition to the South Carolina Court of Common Pleas in Charleston County concerning the guardianship of her children; and related correspondence.
(K) 02 Kennedy family estate papers, 1880-1905: Papers consist of copies of the wills of Evelina M. Kennedy, her husband William D. Kennedy (1832-1895), and Eleanor A. Spencer of Charleston. The will of Eleanor A. Spencer mentions her daughter Julia M. Kennedy and grandson Edwin Kennedy. There is also a letter (1887) from Edward Kennedy in Ireland, who was related to a Mrs. McKeegan, giving some of his family history. Some of the persons by the name of Kennedy represented in this collection may be unrelated.

(K) 03 James E. Kerr legal papers, 1907-1908: Correspondence and legal documents relating to litigation about property in Summerville, S.C., sold by Caroline Willis to the Summerville Brick Company. Other documents pertain to the case of the Summerville Brick Company v. Mary Reed Kerr (1868-1952) and James Edwin Kerr (1867-1928).

BOX 21
(K) 04 Klatte family legal papers, 1881-1899: Papers include a receipt for the purchase of bar and lunch room supplies; an application for a passport for Hermann Klatte (1834-1916); and a copy of his will. In addition, there are documents in the case of Klatte v. Phillips (1887).

(K) 05 Knobeloch family legal papers, 1881-1897: Papers include copies of the wills of William Knobeloch, Sr. (died 1880) and John Knobeloch; letters to Capt. William Knobeloch (1843-1890) from attorney William M. Thomas; and legal documents in the cases of Jacob Knobeloch v. Fredericka Ostendorff, John Knobeloch v. William Knobeloch, Jr., Jacob Knobeloch v. The Germania Savings Bank, and Eliza G. Knobeloch v. Jacob Knobeloch.

478.03 (L)

(L) 01 Lampe family legal papers, 1900-1909: Papers include copies of the will of Christina Marie Elizabeth Lampe; and notes on the Lampe family.

(L) 02 Lanier family legal papers, 1891-1916: Papers include a letter to Mr. Ishum Frank Lanier (1852-1919) concerning a debt owed to him by Dr. B. M. Lebby; and a copy of the will of Ishum F. Lanier of Charleston.

(L) 03 Lawrence family legal papers, 1907-1910: Papers chiefly consist of correspondence and legal documents pertaining to the estate of Miss Mary S. Lawrence (died 1904) of Georgia, and her half-brother, Joseph S. Lawrence (1848-1899) of Charleston, S.C. Legal documents concern the case of J. M. Lawrence et al. v. Charlotte Lawrence et al., and include statements by individuals who knew Miss Mary Lawrence, a resident of Halcyondale, Georgia.

(L) 04 LeBleux family legal papers, 1888-1899: Papers consist of a letter of Louis F. LeBleux, a civil engineer, concerning some land in Lincolnville, S.C.; and copies of the will and codicil of Christina P. LeBleux (1834-1902), which mentions her relations in the Chartrand and Barbot families.

(L) 05 Lilienthal family legal papers, 1887-1924.  SEE ONLINE RECORD
(L) 06 Lopez family estate papers, 1891-1914: Records consist of copies of the will of Joseph P. Lopez (1851-1927), “originally Joseph P. Lusksich” (or Luskssich), a native of Austria and a resident of Charleston; and a petition to the probate court concerning the estate of his wife Jennie (or Janie) A. Lopez (“born Pundt”).

BOX 22
(L) 07 Edward Lotz legal papers, 1889-1911: This collection of correspondence and legal documents (in four folders) mainly concerns the business and legal affairs of Edward Lotz, Sr. (1848-1909), a lumber dealer and shingle manufacturer of Summerville, S.C. Some letters concern the purchase of timber and land. Other records include a statement regarding Lotz’s ownership of the sloop C. C. Pinckney; and legal documents in the case of Isadore Lewis v. Edward Lotz. A few documents dated 1911 relate to the case of E. L. Lloyd v. Margaret Lotz, Martin Lotz, George W. Lotz, Edward Lotz, Jr. et al.

(L) 08 Lowndes family legal papers, 1880-1881: Papers include a copy of the will of Rawlins Lowndes (1801-1877) of Staatsburgh, New York; notes on his family; and a related power of attorney.

(L) 09 Lucas family legal papers, 1880-1909: Correspondence and legal documents pertaining to the legal, business, and estate affairs of several members of the Lucas family. Papers of Erna M. Lucas (nee Wieters; later Erma McDonald) include copies of her will; an indenture between Erna M. Lucas and her husband Alexander H. Lucas concerning a legal separation and custody of their children; and letters of Alexander Hume Lucas (1877-1932). Also included in this collection are letters of Jonathan (or John) F. Lucas of Walterboro, S.C. and William Lucas (1845-1914). One of William Lucas’s letters originates from the Wedge Plantation on the South Santee River. There are also papers pertaining to Lucas Richardson & Company (a partnership between William H. Richardson and William N. Lucas).

BOX 23
(L) 10 Luden family legal papers, 1877-1925: Papers include a copy of the will of Johanne C. Luden (1836-1928), widow of J. J. W. Luden (1841-1919) of Charleston, S.C.; a federal estate tax return for J. J. W. Luden; articles of partnership for a company called J. J. W. Luden; and a copy of the will of John Henry Luden (1846-1923), a Charleston grocer.

478.03 (M)

(M) 01 McCants family legal papers, 1887-1900: Papers include copies of the will of Lockwood Allison McCants (1834-1888); a bond between Thomas Gadsden McCants (1867-1934) and John C. Wieters; a lien on crops at Spring Hill Plantation in Berkeley County, S.C.; and legal and property records pertaining to Snee Farm Plantation, bequeathed to Lockwood A. McCants by his father William McCants (died 1858).

(M) 02 McCarey family legal papers, 1880-1899: Mostly correspondence pertaining to the legal, property and estate affairs of J. P. McCarey [John Patrick McCarey, 1869-1912?] of Walhalla, S.C., James McCarey, and J. F. McCarey [J. F. McCarey, 1867-1901?]. Correspondents include John D. Cappelmann, H. D. A. Biemann (1856-1898) of Walhalla, James McCarey, and James F.
McCarey. Also included is a bill (1889) for the estate of James McCarey for a “metallic coffin.”

One group of documents pertains to the case of McCarey v. McCarey, and involves members of
the McAlister, McKeegan, and Kennedy families, and includes copies of the wills of Charles
McAlister (died ca. 1887) of Oconee County, S.C. and John McKeegan (1802-1881) of
Charleston, and some genealogical information.

(M) 03 McCay family legal papers, 1868-1921: Mostly correspondence concerning the legal,
estate, and property affairs of Thomas A. McCay (1847-1905) of St. Stephens Parish, S.C.
Correspondents include Thomas A. McCay, William Lucas, and Alexander Hume Lucas. Papers
include copies of the will of Charles Greenland McCay (1809-1879), father of Thomas A.
McCay and the owner of Sugar Loaf Plantation (Berkeley County, S.C.); and legal documents
concerning the estate and children of Augustus William McCay (1846-1904). Includes legal
documents, receipts, and other papers (1868-1888) pertaining to the case of Thomas A. McCay
et al. v. Francis McCay et al., a lawsuit involving the estate of C. G. McCay.

(M) 04 McNally v. Lynch case records, 1894-1896: Correspondence and legal documents,
including depositions, answers, decrees, and a master’s report, in the case of James McNally
(administrator of the estates of Elizabeth Smith and Mary Compton) v. Catherine Lynch, John
McNally, et al. The lawsuit concerns the estate of Joshua Smith of Baltimore (Md.), and the
papers include much genealogical information. Joshua Smith was the husband of Harriet (or
Elizabeth?) Stevenson (formerly Harriet Roberts; died 1877) and died intestate in New York City
in 1868. He owned property in Charleston, S.C. Other family names mentioned in the papers
include Burdick, Hill, Craig, and McEuen (or McEwen).

(M) 05 McPherson family legal papers, 1886: Legal documents and notes pertaining to the estate
of Susan McPherson of Charleston, wife of Peter McPherson. Papers include a copy of the will
of her daughter Martha M. McPherson of Darlington County, S.C.; notes on the McPherson and
related families; a statement by Mary Susan Gayle, the daughter of Mary Schneider (or Shieder);
and a title abstract of a lot on the south side of Cannon Street in Charleston.

(M) 06 McSwiney family legal papers, 1890-1923: Papers consist of an application for life
insurance by Francis Daniel McSwiney (1896-1948) of Charleston for the benefit of his wife;
and transcripts of legal notes and property records pertaining to the case of Catherine Walsh v.
Timothy McSwiney et al., which involves property on Palmetto Street (lot no. 4) in Charleston.
The transcripts include much information on the McSwiney family.

BOX 24
(M) 07 Magwood family legal papers, 1881-1925: One group of documents relates to the sale of
a plantation on Capers Island (Charleston County, S.C.), purchased by Robert Magwood for
Francis J. Dawson, trustee. These include an abstract of title, a conveyance, and notes on the
Magwood family and related families. Other papers include letters of R. Magwood and a legal
document in the case of Robert Magwood, executor, v. Mamie Richardson et al., which involves
the will of James A. Truesdell (Truesdale?).

(M) 08 John C. Mallonee legal papers, 1881-1891: Chiefly correspondence and legal documents
relating to the business and legal affairs of John C. Mallonee of Charleston, S.C. Correspondents

(M) 09 Mappus family legal papers, 1883-1919: Miscellaneous papers pertaining to members of the Mappus family of Charleston, S.C. These include a letter (1883) to John J. Mappus (1837-1905) concerning a legal guardianship; a bond of William Mappus to the Charleston Independent Turners Association; a letter of condolence (1917) to William Mappus concerning the death of his son John; a tax return of William Mappus; and a petition for parole by Theodore W. Mappus (convicted of a violation of prohibition laws).

(M) 10 Marjenhoff family legal papers, 1887-1914: One group of letters and documents (1887-1888) pertains to a dispute between Otto George Marjenhoff (1845-1906), a Charleston baker, and Philip Gerlach, a carpenter contracted to work for Marjenhoff. Other papers concern the estate of Mrs. Wilhelmina Gesina Marjenhoff, and include information on her children. There are also documents in the case of Elizabeth Funny v. Mrs. F. W. Marjenhoff.

(M) 11 Manoel Marks estate records, 1885-1894: These records chiefly consist of accounts and receipted bills pertaining to the estate of Manoel (Manuel?) Marks (died 1887), a Charleston ship carpenter and sloop owner. One 1889 bill for purchases of fabric at Kerrison’s store made to the estate of M. Marks is for “Miss C. Marks.”

(M) 12 Martin family legal papers, 1857-1915: The earliest document, a deed recorded in 1857, is a conveyance of a lot on Market Street in Charleston sold by Milbury Serena Martin (1809-1877) to George Finegan. Other documents relate to some property in Adams Run, S.C., belonging to the estate of Sarah Jane Martin, and include a copy of the will of J. B. Martin. There is also a letter and notes concerning the heirs of Lewis V. Martin of Berkeley County, S.C., and notes about the family of Nicholas Martin. One series of letters (1915) concerns W. W. Martin, a Yonges Island farmer forced to give up farming for financial reasons. Some of these individuals may be unrelated.

(M) 13 Sarah J. Mather estate papers, 1909-1910: Correspondence and legal documents relating to the estate of Sarah J. Mather (died 1909) of Charleston, S.C., and a dispute over the settlement of her estate property, mainly a piano. Papers include an affidavit by her nephew John J. Thompson, and an estate inventory.

(M) 14 Meitzler family estate papers, 1895: Correspondence and legal documents pertaining to the estates of Jacob Meitzler (died 1879) and his wife Caroline Meitzler (1824-1894). Papers include a copy of the will of Jacob Meitzler of Charleston; letters of Mrs. C. W. Armstrong of Bamberg, S.C.; and letters of administration for the estate of Caroline Meitzler of Barnwell County, S.C., granted to C. W. Armstrong.

(M) 15 Melchers family legal papers, 1885-1905: One group of documents pertains to a lawsuit, Charles G. Smetzer et al. v. Mrs. Lena Melchers (1854-1930) et al., which has to do with the estate of Alexander Melchers (1831-1885), a Charleston baker, and includes copies of his will,
and notes on the Melchers family. Other papers include a copy of the marriage certificate (1899) of John H. A. Semke and Louise J. E. Melchers (1865-1924); business letters (1880s) of Theodore Melchers; and a copy of the will of Franz Melchers (1826-1899).

(M) 16 Meldau family legal papers, 1887-1916: Papers consist of letters from C. Frederick W. Meldau of Charleston to attorney John D. Cappelmann; notes on the family of George F. Meldau; and transcripts of legal documents in the case of George Fredrick Meldau (1850-1935) v. Adeline C. W. Meldau et al., including a copy of the will of George F. Meldau [Sr.?].

BOX 25
(M) 17 Meyer family legal papers, 1882-1926: Miscellaneous documents relating to various members of the Meyer family. Some of these individuals may be unrelated. Papers include copies of the wills of Claus W. Meyer (1849-1891) of Charleston (a native of Germany), his wife Anna Catharina Meyer, and C. Laney Meyer (1827-1895); a passport application of Henry E. W. Meyer; and notes on the family of Diedrich Meyer and Julia Meyer.

(M) 18 Michaelis family legal papers, ca. 1880-1902: Documents chiefly pertain to C. Otto Michaelis (died 1898) of Charleston, and include a copy of his will, a bill of sale for the contents of a drug store (sold by Joseph M. Rantin), letters to C. O. Michaelis from Captain F. V. Abbot, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, concerning the purchase of Michaelis’s property in Moultrieville on Sullivan’s Island, S.C., and correspondence of William Michaelis (brother of C. O. Michaelis) in Hanover, Germany, concerning his brother’s estate.

(M) 19 Mohlenhoff family legal papers, 1882-1910: Most documents pertain to John Henry Mohlenhoff (1838-1910) of Charleston, and include a passport application, and a copy of his will. One document concerns the estate of J. H. L. Mohlenhoff (1876-1909).

(M) 20 Muller family legal papers, 1882-1920: One group of documents pertain to the estate of Christian William (or Wilhelm) Franz Muller (1858-1917) of Charleston, a native of Germany, including a copy of his will. Another group relates to the case of Rosalie F. Muller v. Hermann Ludwig Muller et al., which has to do with the estate of Werner Muller (died 1870) of Charleston. Other papers include copies of the will of Frederick Muller (1844-1929), and Otto Muller, a musician. Some of these individuals may be unrelated.

(M) 21 Munds family legal papers, 1893: Correspondence concerns the estate of James Theus Munds (Mund?), who was born in 1829 and died in 1863, and includes much information on this family, which moved from South Carolina (Columbia area) to Wilmington, N.C. Persons mentioned include Ann E. (Munds) Vaughn, Sarah H. (Munds) Smith, and James Dickson Munds (1855-1893), a “prominent druggist” of Wilmington, N.C.

(M) 22 Murphy family legal papers, 1879-1922: Most of these papers pertain to the estate of Peter Francis Murphy (1851-1890), and include a copy of his will and documents in lawsuits and other legal proceedings arising from the settlement of the estate, one of which involved his widow Mary Josephine (Josephine?) Murphy (1861-1934), a person “of unsound mind.” Two documents (1892) relate to Bluefield Plantation in St. Johns Berkeley Parish, S.C., belonging to the estate of Peter F. Murphy. One group of letters dated 1879 concerns the estate of Mrs.
Elizabeth Murphy of Fairfield County, S.C. Correspondents include Mrs. L. O. Kruse and Henry N. O’Bear. Other correspondence includes letters of Sarah V. Murphy of Mount Tabor, S.C. Some persons by the name of Murphy may be unrelated.

(M) 23 Myers family legal papers, 1880-1909: One group of documents relates to Laura A. Myers v. Josephine C. Myers et al., a case involving the estate of William R. Myers of Orangeburg County, S.C., who died intestate in 1900. Two letters dated 1907 and 1909 also appear to pertain to the same family. In addition, there is an 1880 copy of the will (1859) of Grace Peixotta Myers (died 1880) of Charleston, who may be unrelated to others by that name in these papers. The will names some slaves.

478.03 (N)

(N) 01 Nanta family legal papers, 1888-1895: Mostly correspondence (1894) relating to the estate of William A. Nanta (also called Abe Nanta), a native of Holland who married Margaretha Schumacher in Charleston, S.C. in 1890. In 1894 Nanta apparently died in a hospital in Baltimore, Maryland, and the administration of his estate was turned over to [Class Vocke], the Netherlands consul. A letter dated 1888 concerns criminal charges against “Abe Nanta” who was also known by the name Nouta or Nauta.

(N) 02 Nelson family legal papers, 1881-1912: Several documents pertain to the estate of Elizabeth (Nelson) Williamson (died 1892), and include a plat of lots in Marshfield Plantation, St. Andrews Parish, S.C. Other items include articles of agreement between E. L. Nelson and Fraser Whaley for a partnership in a general store in Jacksonboro, S.C.; a letter from Patrick Henry Nelson (1856-1914) in Camden, S.C., regarding the sale of his property called Marston near Stateburg, S.C.; and a complaint in a lawsuit, Laura E. Nelson v. the Atlantic Gulf & Pacific Company, a case involving the estate of Philip Nelson, who died in Charleston in 1911. Persons by the name of Nelson may be unrelated.

(N) 03 Nix family legal papers, 1879-1902: Papers include a contract to sell a farm in Mount Pleasant, S.C., owned by John Nix, to William Sayre, with an itemized inventory of livestock and equipment; letters (1895) regarding the estate of John Nix; letters to attorney John D. Cappelmann from Robert W. Nix of the Nix Brothers Company (truck farmers); and letters of W. H. Nix.

(N) 04 Nohrden family legal papers, 1886-1899: These papers chiefly relate to the estate of Carsten Nohrden of Charleston, S.C., who died in 1861, and whose wife Adeline F. Nohrden later remarried (to William M. Murphy). Papers include notes on the Nohrden family, and a copy of Carsten Nohrden’s will.

(N) 05 Nolte family legal papers, 1885-1924: Miscellaneous papers relating to various persons named Nolte, some of whom may be unrelated. Papers include an agreement between H. Nolte and D. Stehmyer with the Long Island Improvement & Construction Company concerning the establishment of a store and the construction of a railroad on the Isle of Palms, S.C.; legal documents in the case of Gustav John Nolte, Jr. v. Walter L. and Katherine Marschink; and accounts (1899-1901) relating to the estate of August Nolte (1862-1899) of Charleston, S.C.
BOX 26
478.03 (O)

(O) 01 Ellen A. O’Brien estate papers, 1896: Papers include a letter from Ellen Amelia O’Brien (1859-1919) in Summerville, S.C., asking a friend to inform attorney James Simons her wishes concerning her will; and copies of the will.

(O) 02 Betty G. Ojemann legal papers, 1888-1904: Mostly letters from Mrs. Betty Gesina Ojemann in Bremen, Germany, to her attorneys, concerning her financial and property affairs in Charleston, S.C. Also included are copies of her will. She was the widow of John C. Ojemann of Charleston (1824-1874).

(O) 03 Oliver family legal papers, 1879-1914: Miscellaneous documents relating to various persons named Oliver, some of whom may be unrelated. A group of letters (1891) concern Mr. A. Oliver’s employment at a factory (abbatoir) in Charleston and its operations. Other items include bills (1879-1880) of W. M. Oliver from G. C. Smetzer, a Charleston dealer in shoe leather and related goods; a copy of the will (1914) of Mary E. Oliver, widow of Benjamin H. Oliver of Charleston; papers relating to H. Oliver; and notes on the family of James H. Oliver and Harriet J. Oliver.

(O) 04 Helena M. Opdebeeck legal papers, 1890-1903: Correspondence and other documents pertaining to the legal and estate affairs of Helena M. Opdebeeck (1863-1903). She was the widow of Adolph Tiefenthal (1831-1889) and later married F. Opdebeeck, Jr. Papers include notes on her family (Hemme) and a copy of her will.

(O) 05 Ortmann family estate papers, 1891-1912: Papers include documents relating to the estate of Heinrich Ortmann (died 1896) of Charleston, including letters and a copy of his will. Other correspondence concerns F. W. Ortmann’s interest in his father’s estate.

(O) 06 Otten family legal papers, 1880-1906: Papers include a letter (1906) regarding the estate of Cord Otten (1822-1859), whose widow Catherine E. Otten (1825-1899) later married John L. Ahrens; a copy of the will of Christine Otten, widow of Diedrick Otten, with a related legal document; and a complaint in the case of Cord H. Otten v. Peter Sparke. There are also three pages of notes concerning John Frederick Heimsath which refer to his “god-father” Cord Otten. Heimsath (or Heimsoth) entered the Charleston Orphan House in 1849, and his name is spelled Heinsoth in their records. His mother was Rebecca Ehlers Heimsoth, who died in 1849.

478.03 (P)

(P) 01 Peecksen family legal papers, 1895-1926: Papers relating to Henry Reelf Peecksen (1866-1925) include copies of his will; an agreement by a contractor to build a store on King Street in Charleston, S.C., with specifications; and a bill for a mortician’s services (1925). Papers relating to John Nicholas Peeckson (1859-1941) include letters concerning his legal and financial affairs.

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(P) 02 Percival family legal documents, 1882-1904: A number of documents in this collection pertain to the Percival Manufacturing Company (later renamed the Defiance Manufacturing Company), a building materials company established by Edward William Percival (1850-1917), Otis C. Beckmann, and John D. Cappelmann. These records include a copy of a charter and minutes of a meeting of the board of directors. Other papers include letters concerning the legal and financial affairs of Edward W. Percival. There is also a summons in the case of Gertrude D. Percival v. Benjamin F. Simmons et al., with related notes on the family of Barbara Harriett Johnson Percival (1855-1895).

(P) 03 Perry family legal papers, 1892-1901: Miscellaneous documents relating to individuals named Perry, some of whom may be unrelated. They include legal documents regarding the estate of Jennings Waring Perry (1846-1886); and letters concerning the estate of Mrs. Eugenia Field Perry of St. Bartholomew Parish, Colleton District, along with a copy of her 1858 will bequeathing plantations in Colleton District (Hazelwood, or Hazlewood, and Oakland) and a number of slaves. She was the widow of William Perry (1797-1854), the son of Peter and Ann Perry. Her will names her nephew Charles A. Myers, and another heir, Isabella Rowan Girardeau.

(P) 04 Pfäehler family legal papers, 1905: Papers include letters about an inheritance due to Otto R. Pfäehler (1859-1921), Adele Pfäehler Behncken, William Ferdinand Pfäehler (born 1868), and Charlotte Pfäehler Chambers; and extracts from the records of a Lutheran church in Charleston, S.C., relating to these individuals. The name is also spelled Pfahler.

(P) 05 Pinckney family legal papers, 1888-1913: Miscellaneous papers pertaining to various members of the Pinckney family. Collection includes correspondence (1895-1898) relating to the legal affairs of Charles Cotesworth Pinckney (1839-1909); and letters and a deposition (1897-1902) to Samuel Gourdin Pinckney (1843-1902). Other items include an inventory of furniture at Runnymede Plantation belonging to the estate of C. C. Pinckney; and a conveyance, Thomas Pinckney and other, to Edward Rutledge Pinckney (1869-1954), of Pinckney Island and related properties.

(P) 06 Pitcher family legal papers, 1898-1905: Papers pertaining to Samuel Zephania Pitcher (1828-1905) include copies of his will, a memorial resolution, and an obituary. The remainder concern a lot in Magnolia Cemetery in Charleston, S.C. belonging to Mrs. M. A. Graser, and include two letters to Pitcher family members.

(P) 07 Plenge family legal papers, 1884-1912: One group of documents (1910-1912) pertains to the estate of Charles Carl Plenge (1847-1910) and includes estate accounts, a petition for letters of administration, and other legal documents. Other items include letters (1896) concerning a debt owed to Richard Plenge, and a deed of assignment (1884) to Charles C. Plenge.

(P) 08 Poppenheim family legal papers, 1882-1908: Correspondence of 1882-1883 concerns the family of John Lewis Poppenheim (1831-1898), including members of the Nesbit and Tate families, and the estate of John Frederick Poppenheim (1806-1875). Related papers of a slightly later date concern the case of Christopher Pritchard Poppenheim (1839-1907) v. John Lewis Poppenheim et al. Another group of documents pertains to the legal, business, and estate affairs
of C. P. Poppenheim, including a copy of his will. Other items include copies of the wills of Mary Elinor Bouknight Poppenheim (1837-1915) and Aphra Ann P. Poppenheim (1806-1881); and letters to attorney James Simons from Mary B. Poppenheim.

BOX 27
(P) 09 Poznanski family legal papers, 1883-1901: These papers chiefly consist of correspondence concerning legal, estate, and property affairs of various members of the Poznanski family. Most letters are from Joseph Poznanski, a “professor of music” in New York City. His letter of April 17, 1893 includes information about his children’s birth dates. Other correspondents include Emma Poznanski (London, England) and William M. Poznanski. There is also a copy of the will (1898) of William Montefiore Poznanski.

(P) 10 Pregnall family legal papers, 1881-1914: Papers include an invoice to the Charleston Floating Dry Dock, receipted by William Stuart Pregnall (1849-1914); a loan application of Samuel James Pregnall (1847-1913); and an indenture (1893) between Samuel J. Pregnall, Henry Pregnall, and others pertaining to the conveyance of property in Charleston, S.C. Also, there are documents (1893-1906) concerning Bull’s Island in Christ Church Parish, S.C., and related documents.

(P) 11 Price family legal papers, 1898-1912: Some documents relating to the estate of James Price (1821-1908) of Houston, Texas, including a copy of his will, a letter from P. Toomer providing information about his children and heirs, and a legal document concerning a lot in Magnolia Cemetery “conveyed to James Price” in 1858. Other items include an agreement between Thomas J. Price of Charleston and Dr. Benjamin Simons. Some individuals by the name of Price may be unrelated.

(P) 12 Probst family legal papers, 1885-1916: Papers include a letter from John F. Probst (1824-1900) and copies of his will; letters to John D. Cappelmann from Luther Kolb Probst (1857-1920); and letters concerning the estate of the father of Gottfried Probst.

(P) 13 Puckhaber family legal papers, 1894-1926: Correspondence and other documents relating to the legal and business affairs of various members of the Puckhaber family. Some papers concern proofs of death of William H. Puckhaber (1860-1899). Other items include minutes of meetings of Puckhaber Brothers Company (Charleston, S.C.), and notes on the Bullwinkel and Stender families.

478.03 (Q)

(Q) 01 Quinlivan family legal papers, 1889-1896: One group of documents pertains to a lawsuit, Margaret Quinlivan v. Morris Quinlivan et al., a case involving the estate of Thomas Quinlivan (died 1894) of Charleston. There are also letters of Thomas F. Quinlivan in New York City; and legal agreements pertaining to the estate of Catherine Chreitzberg Ferguson, including a copy of her will. There is also a document regarding the estate of Manoel Marks (and his only child Carrie Marks) for whom Thomas Quinlivan was the sole executor.

478.03 (R)
(R) 01 Read family legal papers, 1899-1912: This collection of correspondence chiefly consists of letters of James Withers Read (died 1915?), a person confined at the Florida Hospital for the Insane for some period. His letters ask for legal assistance in being released and in a property matter. Other items include a request for a title examination of Belle Rive Plantation (formerly Smerdon) in Georgetown County, S.C., and a related letter, which mentions the estate of John Mann Taylor of Georgetown, S.C. There are also two letters of M. L. Read in Hendersonville, N.C. regarding some family gravestones.

(R) 02 Redell family legal papers, 1893-1924: Most of these papers are copies of Charleston County probate court records pertaining to the estate of Fredericke Emile Redell (1865-1924), a “person of unsound mind,” including affidavits concerning the financial affairs of his wife. Two additional documents relate to the court martial and dishonorable discharge of Charles Redell of the U.S. Army Hospital Corps in New York. Some persons by the name of Redell may be unrelated.

(R) 03 Reenstjerna family legal papers, 1892-1924: Most documents pertain to Catherine Rebecca Reenstjerna (nee Wieters; 1849-1933), including copies of her will, tax receipts, and correspondence and legal documents in a lawsuit, James Clendenning v. C. R. Reenstjerna. Other items include a “statement of title” to the Heath Plantation in St. Thomas and St. Denis Parish (Charleston County, S.C.); and correspondence (1920s) relating to Otto F. Reenstjerna (1879-1929) and Mrs. Beulah Louise (Mueller) Reenstjerna (1884-1966). Some letters of 1921-1922 concern Mrs. Otto F. Reenstjerna’s interest in the estate of Mary Plender of Philadelphia (Pa.).

(R) 04 Henrietta Aiken Rhett legal papers, 1888-1911: Most of these papers consist of letters of Mrs. Henrietta Aiken Rhett (1836-1918) to her attorney James Simons, mainly concerning financial and legal affairs. A related legal document pertains to the case of Harriett Aiken Rhett v. Stefano Clemente Giaretti et al. Henrietta Aiken Rhett was the widow of Andrew Burnet Rhett (1831-1879).

BOX 28
(R) 05 Henry B. Richardson legal papers, 1881-1892: Chiefly letters of Henry Burchill Richardson (1848-1917) at Fulton, S.C., to attorney James Simons, relating to legal and property affairs, specifically lands named Accabee and Stromboli. Other correspondents include Richard I. Manning and attorney T. Pinckney Lowndes.


(R) 07 Riecke family legal papers, 1881-1910: One group of documents pertains to Anthony W. Riecke (1842-1907) and a lawsuit, A. W. Riecke v. William Hartz. A. W. Riecke was the committee of his brother John C. A. Riecke, a “person of unsound mind.” There are also letters of and concerning George [C.] Riecke, who died in San Francisco (California) in 1893. Other
papers relate to the legal and business affairs of Gerhard Riecke (1837-1910) of Charleston. Papers also include a Riecke family chart, and information on a relative, Wilhelm (or William) Ufferhardt (died 1887).

(R) 08 Riels family legal papers, 1882-1894: Papers include copies of the wills of Johann (or John) Peter Riels (1823-1899) and Jacob Riels of Charleston, S.C.; a legal document in the case of Sophia Riels and August Geilfuss (executrix and executor for Amanda Scharlock) v. Georgianna F. Loudon et al.; and documents relating to the estate of Jacob Riels (died 1882).

(R) 09 Riggs family legal papers, 1882-1908: One group of documents pertains to property of Julia E. Riggs, located at 68 Queen Street in Charleston, S.C. The remaining papers are legal documents in the case of Ella B. Riggs et al. v. Susan Addison et al., which has to do with the estate of James English (1792-1856), the father of Laura A. Horlbeck, Adeline E. Addison, and Caroline Shingler.

(R) 10 John F. Ritter estate papers, 1893-1894: Papers include a copy of the will of John F. Ritter (1823-1893) of Oconee County, S.C.; letters pertaining to his estate; and legal documents in the case of Otto F. Schumacher (executor of John F. Ritter’s will) v. F. C. Ritter et al.

(R) 11 Rivers family legal papers, 1890: Papers consist of correspondence and notes concerning the heirs of Mrs. Eliza Royall Rivers (1796-1865), wife of William Hollinshead (or Hollingshead?) Rivers (born 1795). Includes letters of one of her sons, Capers Michel Rivers, a Walterboro physician. Her daughter Maria Theresa Rivers married Lewis W. Sibley.

(R) 12 C. H. Ruffio estate papers, 1889-1890: Papers include a copy of the will of Charles Henry Ruffio of Charleston, S.C.; bills and invoices; and a release by Mrs. Josephine Cercopely, Joseph Wade Cercopely (1869-1929), and Catherine Clark, bearing their marks.

478.03 (S)

(S) 01 R. G. Salomon legal papers, 1890: Papers consist of a letter and documents relating to the business affairs of R. G. Salomon of Newark (N.J.). Papers include a bond and mortgage, Alexander Oliver to R. G. Salomon, and a letter to a city alderman of Charleston, S.C. concerning Salomon’s desire to obtain the right from the city council to “remove the bodies of all dead animals” from the city limits. Also includes a letter of D. Schoenstein, “agent of R. G. Salomon.”

(S) 02 Sauls family legal papers, 1895-1906: Papers include copies of the wills of Benjamin Sauls and Caleb Sauls of Colleton County, S.C., and related correspondence.

(S) 03 Salvo family legal papers, 1883-1916: Papers include letters (1883-1884) concerning the estates of Matthew Salvo and a [Mr.] Gambatti. One of these letters is from Peter A. Salvo to “Mrs. Gambate.” Letters of 1915 and 1916 concern the employment of Mr. E. L. Salvo.

(S) 04 Scheppegrell family legal papers, 1883-1894: Papers include letters from H. Scheppegrell in New Orleans, La., to attorney John D. Cappelmann concerning financial and property matters.
There is also a letter by W. Scheppregrell to “Julius” explaining some business difficulties in Charleston, S.C.; and an abstract of title to property on Line Street in Charleston “purchased by C. J. Scheppregrell.”

(S) 05 Schmonsees family legal papers, 1884-1915: Papers include estate records of Henrich [H.] Schmonsees of Charleston, S.C., who died intestate in 1883; an assignment (1893) John Schmonsees (grocer) to Henry B. Schroder; and documents pertaining to the estate of Claus H. Schmonsees (1856-1902) and the guardianship of his children.

BOX 29
(S) 06 Schultz family legal papers, 1887-1925: Papers include notes (1891) the title of F. C. Schultz to property in Colleton County, S.C., tracing its ownership from the 1830s into the 1880s, identified as “lands near Summerville, S.C.” There are also letters (1894) from F. C. Schultz concerning “my homestead, which was taken from me.” Other items in this collection include copies of the wills of Adolph H. Schultz and Arnold L. Schultz (1861-1925) of Charleston, S.C. Some of these persons may be unrelated.

(S) 07 Schwacke family legal papers, 1887-1899: Papers include a copy of the will of Augustus Henry Schwacke (1834-1890) of Charleston, S.C.; articles of co-partnership between Mrs. Emma Matilda Schwacke, Charles A. Schwacke, and Augustus H. Schwacke; and a letter from Charles A. Schwacke to attorney John D. Cappelmann.

(S) 08 Schwartz family legal papers, 1895: All these papers pertain to the marriage of William Diedrich Schwartz and Mattie Ella Jacobs of Beaufort, S.C., and include the text of the marriage ceremony, a certificate of marriage, and a letter from W. D. Schwartz to Charleston attorney John D. Cappelmann.

(S) 09 Seebeck family legal papers, 1880-1910: Papers include legal documents (1880s) relating to a lawsuit, Boyd Brothers v. Herman Seebeck; correspondence concerning artificial limbs provided for August Frederick Seebeck, a boy who “lost both his feet”; and correspondence (1907-1910) pertaining to J. H. C. Seebeck, a person confined in a psychiatric asylum in Pennsylvania.

(S) 10 Seedorf family legal papers, 1890-1893: Correspondence, notes, and legal documents pertaining to the estate of Heinrich Christoph Seedorf, a resident of Germany who owned property in Charleston, S.C. Includes information on his children, most of whom resided in Germany.

(S) 11 Seignious family legal papers, 1885-1893: Papers include letters of William B. Seignious and Charles Washington Seignious (1810-1893); letters and a legal document relating to the case of the Receivers of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company v. W. B. Seignious; a copy of the will of Charles Washington Seignious; and notes on the Seignious family.

(S) 12 Semken family legal papers, 1879-1912: Papers include death certificates for John D. Semken (died 1860) and Henry Semken (died 1859); conveyances of property in Charleston,
S.C., conveyed by Anna M. Semken to Beta A. Semken and other family members; and legal documents regarding the estate of Anna M. A. Semken (1838-1894).

(S) 13  Shuler family legal papers, 1884-1906: Papers include letters of F. C. Shuler in Jacksonville, Florida; correspondence and legal documents in the case of Brown R. Shuler v. Peter F. Sparkman et al.; a letter and notes on the Shuler family; and letters of Catherine Shuler. The name is sometimes spelled Schuler, and not all these individuals are necessarily related.

(S) 14  Sigwald family legal papers, 1888-1923: Papers include correspondence and legal documents pertaining to the estate of Christopher Baker Sigwald (1827-1889); a copy of the will of Rebecca Sigwald of Charleston; and correspondence regarding the estates of George J. Sigwald (1854-1891) and Henry W. Sigwald (1824-1889).

(S) 15  Sires family legal papers, 1887-1908: Mostly correspondence (1887-1890) of Clara B. Sires (1857-1934), which includes her letters to attorney John D. Cappelmann, mostly relating to her efforts to obtain a divorce, and letters to her from her estranged husband, Albert Sires (1851-1892). After her husband’s death, Clara B. Sires remarried to Clarence Waldo Bynum. One additional document concerns a claim against the estate of Ella D. Riker by Mary J. Sires.

(S) 16  Small family legal papers, 1881-1894.  

BOX 30
(S) 17  John H. Smith estate papers, 1904-1906: Chiefly correspondence pertaining to the settlement of the estate of John H. Smith (died 1904), formerly a resident of Charleston, S.C., who died while serving as an officer on a steamship. Papers include letters from an agent of the Central Vermont Railway Company and a judge in New London, Connecticut; a release that mentions Smith’s children, Bertha M. Smith and John H. Smith, Jr. (1882-1930); and sworn statement by Bertha M. Smith and John H. Smith, Jr. concerning their mother, Malvina (Cook) Smith (1849-1902), widow of Peter F. Dunning, and father, John H. Smith, a native of New York. A tintype photograph (ca. 1879) of John H. Smith, Sr. has been removed to the SCHS Visual Material Collection.

(S) 18  William Wragg Smith estate papers, 1902-1905: Chiefly correspondence of Arthur L. J. Smith with the law firm of Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann regarding land belonging to the estate of William Wragg Smith (1808-1875) known as Ashley Barony (or Wragg Barony), mainly timber rights to the property.

(S) 19  Solomons family legal papers, 1887-1888: Papers include estate records of Joseph R. Solomons (died 1887), much of which concern property in Moultrieville on Sullivan’s Island, S.C. There is also an undated document pertaining to several lawsuits including that of Levy J. Solomons and Ann (his wife) v. Catherine Hyams et al.

(S) 20  Stall family legal papers, 1888-1912: Papers include copies of the will of John R. Stall (died 1878) of St. George Parish and his wife Sarah Stall (died 1883), and some related correspondence; a letter (1897) of W. A. Stall, a building contractor of Summerville, S.C.; and contracts of J. R. Stall, also a builder.
(S) 21  A. G. Stapel legal papers, 1898-1901: Papers consist of letters of Adolph Gerhard Stapel (1863-1953) of Atlanta, Ga., to Charleston attorney John D. Cappelmann, mainly concerning financial matters and the rental and sale of his property near Walhalla, S.C.

(S) 22  Steffens family legal papers, 1885-1919: Papers include copies of the will of George W. Steffens (1828-1899) of Charleston, S.C. and John Henry Steffens (1845-1919), also of Charleston; and letters concerning lawsuits, Remley v. Steffens, and Steffens v. Abramson.

(S) 23  Steinmeyer family legal papers, 1885-1919: Papers include an undated document concerning a lawsuit, John H. Steinmeyer and A. J. Barton (executors of Henry Clark) v. Mary Jane Cammer et al.; a conveyance (1885) of property on Calhoun Street in Charleston, S.C., sold by John F. Steinmeyer and others to John H. F. Lubs; a copy of the will of George E. Steinmeyer (1844-1872); and a Steimeyer family chart.

(S) 24  Steincke family legal papers, 1888-1912: Papers include receipts relating to the burial of D. F. Steincke (1828-1888); and documents pertaining to Mrs. A. C. Elise Steincke (1833-1915) and the sale of a Charleston bakery business, F. Steincke & Company, to her grandson John F. Donald.

(S) 25  Henry Steitz legal papers, 1883-1910: Papers include multiple copies of the will of Henry Steitz (1831-1910) of Charleston and Summerville, S.C., with related correspondence; and legal documents relating to the dissolution of a business co-partnership between Henry Steitz and Caspar Bart (C. Bart & Company).

(S) 26  Stelling family legal papers, 1878-1902: Papers include articles of co-partnership (1888) between A. F. Stelling and E. H. Wuhrmann in a wholesale liquor business in Charleston, S.C.; papers (1879-1883) relating to the estate of E. H. Stelling of Charleston; notes on the Stelling family; correspondence; and legal documents (1890s) in the cases of Theodore E. Stelling v. Edward J. H. Stelling et al., and Therese C. Stelling v. Marion Stelling et al.

(S) 27  Stender family legal papers, 1910-1911: Papers include guardianship petitions by F. W. Stender, Herbert Roland Stender, and Louis A. Stender, grandchildren of Henry Steitz (1831-1910); notes on the Stender family; and a legal document in the case of Annie Stender v. The Army Cycle Manufacturing Company.

(S) 28  Stramm family legal papers, 1895-1921: Papers include legal documents relating to the estate of Annie M. C. Stramm (nee Sohl; 1873-1897) and her mother Anna Sophie Neumann; and copies of the will of Christina Stramm (1843-1923), widow of John Stramm of Charleston, S.C.

(S) 29  Street family legal papers, 1900-1915.  

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BOX 31
478.03 (T)
(T) 01  J. S. Terry legal papers, 1870-1898: These papers chiefly consist of correspondence concerning the legal and business affairs of Joseph Spencer Terry (1834-1892), a Charleston merchant. Some letters pertain to a lawsuit, Simms v. Terry & Company.

(T) 02  Teskey family legal papers, 1899-1920: Papers include copies of the will of Robert Amos Teskey (1846-1920), a Charleston merchant; a legal decree (1899) in the case of John D. Cappelmann v. F. D. C. Kracke et al., a lawsuit pertaining to the estates of Benjamin Feldman and Robert Teskey; a marriage certificate, issued in Ontario, Canada, for Christopher Scanlan and Belinda Teskey; a statement of Mrs. Belinda J. Scanlan and Dorothea Teskey, which contains some family history; and letters of Robert Teskey and others. There is a photograph of “R. Teskey” in the photograph series (478.20).

(T) 03  Thiele family legal papers, 1887-1900: Papers include copies of the will of Hedwig Thiele (1836-1917) and Diedrich Spincken (1843-1895) of Charleston, S.C.; and an indenture between Hedwig Thiele, Meta Thiele, and Adeline Thiele, and Diedrich Spincken, concerning the estate of John H. Thiele (1833-1886).

(T) 04  Thomas family legal papers, 1889-1915: Papers include copies of the will of Stephen Thomas (1865-1915), a Charleston jeweler; a memorial for him; and letters of A. S. Thomas of Ridgeville, S.C., some of which concern his dealings with S. Thomas & Company in Charleston. Individuals by the name of Thomas may be unrelated.

(T) 05  Thompson family legal papers, 1877-1916: One group of documents pertains to the estate of Mrs. Jane M. Thompson (1808-1877) and includes estate accounts and inventories. Another group of documents concerns a lawsuit, Adeline C. Lewis v. Sarah Jane Clifford et al., a case involving the estate of John G. Thompson (died 1888), and includes a copy of the will of Anastasia Thompson Bail (1844-1918), and estate accounts. There is also correspondence of Adeline Catherine Thompson Lewis (1835-1928), mostly with attorney James Simons, concerning properties in Charleston, S.C., including property on “Laurence Street”; copies of her will, and a codicil. Collection also includes letters of other individuals by the name of Thompson, some of whom may be unrelated.

(T) 06  Tiedemann family legal papers, 1867-1887: Papers include promissory notes of John N. Tiedemann and his widow Anna Tiedemann, all of which are issued to H. C. Rochau; a conveyance (1873) of property in Charleston, S.C., sold by Cephas Whittemore to John N. Tiedemann; and a promissory note (1887) from “Captain Mitchel” to Mr. J. H. Tiedemann.

(T) 07  Toomer family legal papers, 1872-1915: Papers include trust estate accounts of Miss Eleanor C. Toomer, and a related letter concerning the lawsuit of Toomer v. Wragg; transcripts of legal documents in the case of Richard T. Morrison, trustee of Mary Ann Toomer v. Joshua Toomer; and letters of H. L. Toomer and other individuals named Toomer, some of whom may be unrelated. Collection also includes documents in the case of T. W. Bacot v. Joshua Toomer et al., involving the estate of Mrs. Ann Legare; and a bond on Bee Hive and Hermitage plantations in Christ Church Parish, S.C.
(T) 08 Towles family legal papers, 1886-1907: Papers include letters of Daniel H. Towles (1861-1915) of Adams Run, S.C.; a legal document concerning the business co-partnership of Henry A. Towles and Henry Lancaster; a notice relating to a foreclosure against D. H. Towles & Son; and a letter of William C. Geraty relating to the dissolution of the firm of Gerary & Towles, and his bankruptcy.

(T) 09 Townsend family legal papers, 1882-1897: Mostly correspondence (1882-1883) concerning a lawsuit, Jones & Townsend v. P. P. Toale. Two letters of 1897 concern Bugby Plantation (owned by Mrs. Sosnowski). Papers also include notes on the Townsend family.

(T) 10 Trenholm family legal papers, 1875-1909. SEE ONLINE RECORD

BOX 32

478.03 (U)
(U) 01 Ufferhardt family legal papers, 1881-1895: Papers chiefly concern the estate of Wilhelm (or William) Ufferhardt (died 1887) and include a copy of his will and that of his wife Catherine Ufferhardt (died 1888). Documents mention several related persons including William Hartz and Henry Campsen.

478.03 (V)

(V) 01 Volkens family legal papers, 1891-1901: Papers chiefly pertain to the estate of Johann Volkens, a Charleston fisherman who perished at sea in 1901. Includes a letter written by his brother Henry Volkens of Sumter, S.C., and an application (1892) by Johann Volkens for the use of certain state “lands under water” in Berkeley County, S.C., for the cultivation of shellfish.

(V) 02 Von Hollen family legal papers, 1881-1907: The bulk of this collection consists of letters of Robert B. Loudon in San Rafael, California, concerning the “Scharlock estate,” the estate of Frederick Von Hollen, and other matters; and letters of George F. Von Hollen (1852-1924), writing from California and later from Summerville, S.C. Papers also include notes on the estate of John Von Hollen (died 1886); and a letter of recommendation (1907) for John Von Hollen, Jr. (born 1871).

478.03 (W)

(W) 01 Wagener family legal papers, 1882-1915: Correspondence and legal documents relating to the business, legal, and estate affairs of various members of the Wagener family of South Carolina. Correspondents include George Andreas Wagener (1846-1908), Henry A. Wagener, John Andreas Wagener, Jr. (1857-1935), Mrs. Charlotte C. Wagener, and Frederick Wilhelm Wagener (1832-1921). Several letters dated 1915 concern Karl A. Wagener of Cades, S.C. (possibly unrelated to the Charleston Wagener family). These papers also include copies of the wills of Frederick W. Wagener, Johanne Sophie Kranz Wagener (1833-1912), George A. Wagener, and Johann A. Wagener, Jr.; and memorials of General Johann Andreas Wagener (1816-1876) and Frederick W. Wagener. One series of documents (1889-1892) pertain to the F. W. Wagener & Company of Charleston; and another series, relating to the Southern Investment

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(W) 02 Wanner family legal papers, 1890-1901: Papers chiefly consist of letters of and about Gottlob Wanner (1842-1902), an agriculturalist who was the proprietor of the Vine Hill Vinyards near Walhalla, S.C. and later the vineyard manager for the Southern Homestead and Fruit Growing Company of Tallapoosa, Ga. Gottlob Wanner’s letters are addressed to his friend John D. Cappelmann, a Charleston attorney. Many letters of 1899 and beyond concern the death of Richard Wanner (1874-1899), the son of Gottlob Wanner, and a conductor on the Charleston Consolidated Railway. Papers also include documents in a lawsuit relating to Richard Wanner’s death. (Note: There are additional letters of Gottlob Wanner in the personal correspondence of John D. Cappelmann.)

(W) 03 Waring family legal papers, 1890-1926: Mostly legal documents and notes pertaining to a lawsuit or lawsuits involving the estate of Morton Waring (1809-1875), husband of Ann H. Rhodes. The notes include genealogical information on the Waring family. Papers also include letters, mostly correspondence of Eliza L. Waring of Charleston, S.C.

(W) 04 Watermann family legal papers, 1891: Papers consist of legal documents pertaining to the estate of Jurgen Christian Watermann (died 1882) of Hanover, Germany. The “parties interested in the estate” include Mrs. Caroline Bollman (nee Watermann) and Ferdinand Watermann of Charleston, S.C.

(W) 05 H. F. Weber legal papers, 1893-1895: Papers consist of correspondence relating to the assignment of Henry F. Weber “lately doing business at No. 80 King Street” in Charleston, S.C., and some ensuing litigation. Correspondence includes numerous collection letters sent out by the assignee and the agent of creditors.

(W) 06 Wehmann family legal papers, 1891-1901: Papers include a copy of the will of Fritz Wehmann (died 1896) of Charleston, S.C.; and a document relating to the sale of a grocery business to his sons E. Edward Wehmann and [Fritz] Wehmann.

(W) 07 Welch family legal papers, 1881-1912: Miscellaneous papers relating to several individuals by the name of Welch (some of whom may be unrelated) include a copy of the will (1896) of William Welch, a Charleston machinist; a letter (1912) of J. D. Welch, proprietor of Welch’s Stock Yard; a funeral notice for Mrs. Margaret Caroline Welch (nee Kennecke); and a letter (1905) concerning an estate which mentions J. S. Welch and Silas S. Welch.

(W) 08 Theodor Wenzel legal papers, 1886-1897: Papers chiefly consist of correspondence of or about Theodor Wenzel (died 1896) of Charleston, S.C. A letter of 1886 to Carl Melchers concerns the cultivation of some land near Walhalla, S.C. Other letters concern organs and pianos. Papers also include a complaint in the case of Julia R. Wenzel, executrix of Theodor Wenzel, v. the German American Trust and Savings Bank.
(W) 09 Westbury family legal papers, 1884-1914: Papers include letters of Thomas William Westbury (1852-1910) of Conway, S.C., whose name is sometimes spelled Westberry. Many of his letters relate to the case of Thomas W. Westbury v. John W. Doar, a lawsuit concerning the estate of Thomas Doar (died 1858), the grandfather of Westbury. Other documents relate to the bankruptcy of the firm of Bryant & Westbury, a business co-partnership of J. H. Bryant and A. J. Westbury in Reevesville, S.C.

(W) 10 Weston family legal papers, 1887-1917: Miscellaneous papers relating to various individuals named Weston, some of whom may be unrelated. Papers include notes on the family of Samuel Weston (died 1882); notes on the family of Lydia Cardoza Weston; notes on the family of Anthony and Maria Weston; and a document in the case of Furman Weston v. John Thorne et al., a lawsuit concerning property in Charleston bequeathed to Mary Furman, a “free woman of color” by John Weston (died 1880). Includes two letters (1917) of Harriett B. Weston to John D. Cappelmann.

(W) 11 Wharton family legal papers, 1884: Two documents pertain to Mrs. Louisa C. Wharton, including an agreement between her and Alexander Winkler concerning the sale of her property on Council Street in Charleston, S.C.; and notes on her children and relations. Another page of notes, which may be unrelated, concerns Mrs. Jane K. Wharton and her estate. According to these notes, Jane K. Wharton died in Brunswick, Ga., in 1873.

(W) 12 White family legal papers, ca. 1879-1884: One group of documents dated 1880 pertains to the case of Isabella J. Ash v. James Evans White, a lawsuit regarding the estate of Jane M. White (1801-1862). Some related papers, probably dating to the 1870s, pertain to the case of James Evans White v. Isabella J. Goddard et al. These papers also include a legal opinion (1884) on the will of John White (who may be unrelated to other individuals by that name), which was proved in December 1845.

(W) 13 Wichmann family legal papers, 1882-1920: Papers pertain to several individuals named Wichmann, or Wichman, some of whom may be unrelated. Papers include copies of the wills of Richard Harvin Wichmann (1861-1922) and Margaret Wichmann; letters of August Wichmann (1846-1917) of Big House Plantation (Beaufort County, S.C.) relating to a property controversy with Frederick Schelegelmilch.

BOX 34
(W) 14 Wieters family legal papers, 1875-1928. SEE ONLINE RECORD

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(W) 14 Wieters family legal papers, 1875-1928 (continued).

(W) 15 Wildhagen family legal papers, 1883-1904: Papers include a copy of the will of Adolph F. Wildhagen; notes on the Wildhagen family; legal documents in the case of Theodore A. Wildhagen v. Adolph C. Wildhagen (1878-1939); and correspondence.

(W) 16 Williams family legal papers, 1884-1897: These papers relate to two individuals named Williams who may be unrelated. They include two letters concerning property of Oliver Perry.
Williams (1855-1901) located near Walterboro, S.C.; and two letters of G. W. Shingler of Roadville (Berkeley County, S.C.) concerning property formerly belonging to West Williams (this may be West Capers Williams, 1792-1868).

(W) 17 Williamson family estate papers, 1885-1899: Three documents, including a conveyance of property on Wolfe Street in Charleston, S.C., and notes on the Williamson family, pertain to the estate of John Williamson of Charleston and his wife Elizabeth Williamson, both of whom died intestate in 1885. A fourth document consists of notes regarding the estate and heirs of Elizabeth Williamson (died 1892), who may be an unrelated individual.

(W) 18 George Willis estate papers, 1901-1905: Papers include copies of the will of George Willis (died 1903) of Dorchester County, S.C., and legal documents chiefly pertaining to some property in Summerville, S.C.

(W) 19 Wilson family legal papers, 1891-1909: Miscellaneous documents and notes pertaining to various individuals named Wilson, some of whom may be unrelated. Papers include genealogical notes on the family of Samuel Wilson and his wife Mary Mazyck Wilson (1795-1831); notes on the family of Mrs. Sophia F. S. Wilson (1800-1873) and relations; notes on Mary E. Wilson (nee Condy); and copies of the wills of Ann Joseph Wilson and Samuel H. Wilson (1846-1909).

(W) 20 Wiltshire family estate papers, 1906-1925: Papers include copies of the wills of Truman George Wiltshire (1857-1924) and his wife Emily J. Wiltshire; letters of T. G. Wiltshire; and letters and financial records relating to the administration of the estate of Emily J. Wiltshire by her daughter Mrs. Winifred Louise Pennington (1896-1936).

(W) 21 Witt family estate papers, 1887-1897: Papers include a copy of the will of Henry Witt and his wife Anna A. Witt (formerly Mrs. J. H. Hartmann); and legal documents relating to the estate of John H. Hartmann (died 1870) of Charleston, S.C.

(W) 22 Wohlken family estate papers, 1881: Papers include copies of the will of Metta (or Meta?) M. Wohlken (1830-1890) of Charleston, S.C., and of Henry Wohlken (1829-1903); and notes on the will of Meta M. Wohlken (“formerly Meta M. Myers”).

(W) 23 Wragg family legal papers, 1872-1910: Several documents relate to the estate of Caroline A. Wragg. Other items include a copy of an 1805 indenture between William Loughton Smith and Charlotte Wragg (a marriage settlement); a conveyance pertaining to property bequeathed by Samuel Wragg (1850-1883); and letters and receipts of William T. Wragg (1807-1885). There are also letters of Mary A. Wragg and Eleanor T. Wragg.

(W) 24 Wuhrmann family legal papers, 1877-1918: Most documents relate to the estate of John Henning Wuhrmann (died 1904) of Charleston, S.C., including a letter to Edward Bergmann in Ohio, and copies of the will of John H. Wuhrmann. Names of relatives mentioned include those of Lullman and Munchaussen. A letter of 1918 includes a “list of the nephews and nieces of Mr. Wuhrman.”

BOX 36
(W) 25 Wulbern family legal papers, 1877-1914: Papers include copies of the wills of Carsten Wulbern (1836-1903) and John Wulbern (1835-1917); articles of co-partnership between C. Wulbern, John Wulbern, and Ashley C. Tobias, and others; and notes on the Wulbern family.

(W) 26 Joanna P. Wyld estate papers, 1915-1917: Papers include copies of the will of Joanna Portia Wyld (1852-1917); notes on her family; and a statement of release pertaining to her estate.

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(Z) 01 Zerbst family legal papers, 1887-1911: Correspondence and legal documents pertaining to the legal, business, and estate affairs of various members of the Zerbst family of Charleston, S.C. Papers include copies of the wills of Fritz H. Zerbst, Dorothea Zerbst, Louis Henry Zerbst, Henry C. C. Zerbst, and Julius Zerbst. Some documents concern the estates of John D. Zerbst and [William] Bohlen.

BOX 37
478.04 Case and client records, arranged topically (businesses, churches, organizations, etc.)

04 (B) Case and client records pertaining to businesses:

(B) 01 Bluestein Brothers legal papers, 1911-1919: Papers consist of correspondence chiefly concerning the financial and property affairs of Bluestein Brothers, a Charleston clothing store. Correspondents include John D. Cappelmann and H. H. Ficken.

(B) 02 Records relating to the Carolina Farmer and Stockman Company, 1918: Mostly correspondence of Wilson Godfrey Harvey (1866-1932), a stockholder, and J. Rutledge McGhee, the vice-president and publisher of a journal devoted to South Carolina agriculture.


(B) 04 Fernoline Chemical Company legal papers, 1887-1893: Correspondence and legal documents relating to the property and legal affairs of the Fernoline Chemical Company of New York and Charleston, S.C.

(B) 05 German American Trust and Savings Bank legal papers, 1893-1896. Papers consist of correspondence, minutes of meetings, a draft of a bill of incorporation, and other documents. A newspaper clipping concerns the “German American Trust and Savings Bank litigation.”

(B) 06 Germania Savings Bank legal papers, 1880-1909: Correspondence and legal documents relating to the legal affairs of the Germania Savings Bank of Charleston, S.C. Papers include an abstract of title to property on Wentworth Street and a copy (n.d.) of the bank’s by-laws.
(B) 07 William G. Jatho Company legal papers, 1904-1908: Correspondence and legal documents relating to the legal and financial affairs of the William G. Jatho Company of Charleston, S.C.

(B) 08 Miles & Jordan legal papers, 1908: Correspondence and legal documents relating to the property and legal affairs of Miles & Jordan (Jeremiah J. Miles and John M. Jordan), a pharmacy business of Charleston, S.C.

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(B) 09 Miscellaneous business records, 1883-1915: Correspondence and other documents pertaining to various South Carolina businesses including the Winnsboro Granite Company, The Coffee Importing Association (Charleston, S.C.), the Sterling Manufacturing Company, Stephen Thomas & Company, the Parker Lumber Company, the Dudman Drug & Chemical Company, the Palmetto Brewing Company, Lucas & Richardson, and the St. John Hotel. This collection consists of approximately 40 items in two folders.

(B) 10 Records of the Palmetto Soap Manufacturing Company, 1891-1899: Records of this Charleston firm include correspondence, a draft of by-laws, a list of shareholders, and minutes of meetings. The Board of Corporators includes John D. Cappelmann and C. A. Amme.

(B) 11 Miscellaneous records relating to railroads, 1881-1919: Records include correspondence of W. Huger FitzSimons of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company; legal documents and other records relating to the Berkeley County Railway and Lumber Company; and correspondence (1880s) of C. S. Gadsden of the Charleston & Savannah Railway Company.


(B) 13 Wacker Drug Company records, 1909-1914: Records include sworn statements from several individuals attesting that they never purchased “grain alcohol” from this Charleston company; letters from an IRS agent concerning a tax matter; and a stockholders’ minute book.

478.04 (C) Case and client records relating to churches:

(C) 01 Records relating to the Ebenezer A.M.E. Church, 1914-1919: Records consist of correspondence, financial records, and other papers relating to a mortgage taken out by the Ebenezer A.M.E. Church of Charleston, S.C. Correspondents include Augustine T. Smythe and Rev. Albert F. B. Horry (1879-1932).

(C) 02 First Church of Christ Scientist records, 1899-1925: Records include a grant of incorporation from the state of South Carolina (1899); minutes of a meeting (1925) of the First Church of Christ Scientist of Charleston, S.C.; and a document relating to the purchase of property on Elizabeth Street.
(C) 03 Reformed Methodist Union Episcopal Church legal records, 1903-1924: Correspondence, legal documents, and other records pertaining to the legal and financial affairs of the Reformed Methodist Union Episcopal Church of Charleston, S.C. Many documents relate to litigation arising from a “schism” in the church, and include an injunction bond, a temporary restraining order, affidavits, an appeal, and a draft of a legal opinion. Defendants in the lawsuit brought by the church include J. A. Ellison, W. C. Kershaw, T. C. Colclough, W. E. Richardson, Robert Black, and Alfred Simons. Correspondence includes letters of Bishop E. Russell Middleton, some concerning the estate of “the late Rev. John Brown,” and others relating to payments due to attorney John D. Cappelmann for his legal services. Letters of 1905 from E. R. Middleton (Pinewood, S.C.) and J. A. Ellison (Lincolnville, S.C.) concern a debt owed to the “Johnson estate.” (Note: See related papers in 478.05 (B) 04)

(C) 04 St. Philip’s Church legal records, (1860s?) 1882-1925: Correspondence and legal documents relating to the property and legal affairs of St. Philip’s Protestant Episcopal Church in Charleston, S.C. Correspondents include J. E. Phillips, Charles Richardson Miles, T. W. Bacot, and A. W. Eckel. Documents include an abstract of title to glebe lands, and a lease of “glebe lot no. 18” to Mary A. Winkler. One group of documents, which may date to the 1860s, concerns a lawsuit, Elias Horlbeck v. St. Philip’s Church. Also included is a copy of a 1797 indenture pertaining to the partition of lands, with related plats.

(C) 05 Wentworth Street Lutheran Church legal records, 1882-1911: Correspondence and legal documents chiefly pertaining to the legal affairs of the Wentworth Street Lutheran Church of Charleston, S.C. Many documents concern a lawsuit, the Wentworth Street Lutheran Church v. Philip H. Gadsden (executor of the will of Samuel H. Wilson). Other items include an agreement (1894) between the church and Robert McCarrell for the “erection and completion of an extension north and south of the lecture room;” correspondence of and about Luther Kolb Probst (1857-1920), including a letter (1882) regarding a parsonage; and a letter of resignation (1882) from W. F. Falconer.

(C) 06 Miscellaneous records relating to churches, 1884-1923: Records include a conveyance (1884) of property on Ashton Street in Charleston, S.C., sold by Eliza B. Trenholm to the Morris Street Baptist Church; a legal answer (1923) in the case of L. F. Alston v. Aleck Brown and Joe Williams, trustees of St. Luke’s African Methodist Episcopal Church; and an abstract of title (1908) to property on Beaufain Street in Charleston, to be purchased by the Public School Commissioners from St. Michael’s Episcopal Church.

478.04 (M) Case records relating to maritime and municipal affairs:

(M) 01 Records relating to maritime cases, 1881-1912: These records include legal documents (1912) relating to a lawsuit, James J. Igoe et al. v. Steamship Peruviana; legal documents in the case of David Roberts et al. v. Steamship Trarancore; documents in the case of Francis Bampfield & Son v. F. W. Wagener & Company; a statement concerning the sloop C. C. Pinckney; and affidavits of various individuals concerning some freight shipped on the steamer Merchant to the wrong destination on the Pee Dee River.
(M) 02 Records relating to Camden, 1883-1895: Correspondence and legislative records chiefly relating to bonds issued by the town of Camden, S.C., for the purpose of building a new town hall and opera house. Correspondents include attorney William Dunlap Trantham (1847-1911), and James Jones, the town intendant.

478.04 (O) Case records relating to organizations:

(O) 01 Records of the Colored Young Women’s Christian Association, 1910-1915: Records include a declaration and petition for incorporation (1910); a legal opinion on tax exempt property; an abstract of title to property on Coming Street in Charleston, S.C. purchased by the Association from H. Willard Silcox, with related correspondence, a bond, and a mortgage. The petition for incorporation states that the purpose of this Charleston organization was to “promote the physical, social, moral and religious welfare of young women, particularly those dependent on their own exertion for support.” Felicia Goodwin was named as the president of the Association.

(O) 02 Records relating to Roper Hospital, 1868-1889: Correspondence and legal documents relating to the legal affairs of the Board of Trustees of Roper Hospital in Charleston, S.C. Correspondents include Dr. J. L. Ancrum and Dr. R. A. Kinloch. Records include an indenture (1883) between the Medical Society of South Carolina and Charleston city council concerning Roper Hospital.

(O) 03 Records of the Charleston Wheelmen’s Track Association, 1893: Records of this association (whose object was to erect and maintain a “track or way to be used for bicycle and any other cycle or wheel riding and carrying on the business of giving or allowing exhibitions”) include a constitution and by-laws, indentures, and records of incorporation.

(O) 04 Records relating to miscellaneous organizations, 1883-1917: Records consist of documents (1883) relating to the sale of property owned by the Amateur Literary and Fraternal Association of Charleston, S.C.; the constitution and by-laws (no date) of the Current Topics Club (a society whose object was “to stimulate intellectual growth and to strengthen individual effort by organization”); a report (1894) on a resolution made by the Young Men’s Friendly Mutual Aid Association concerning a lot of land “in the upper wards” of Charleston; and a typescript report (ca. 1914?) about “certain incidents in connection with the 71st Anniversary Convention” of the International Order of Odd Fellows.

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478.04 (P) Case records relating to plantations and other properties:

(P) 01 Plantation and property case records, 1872-1924: Correspondence, plats, and legal records pertaining to various plantations and other properties chiefly located in South Carolina. Plantations include Bonny Neck, Bull Head, Cattle Island, Cote Bas, Crow Hill, Gift Plantation, Grove Point (Ga.), Marshfield, New Cut, Snee Farm, and Windsor Hill. Miscellaneous plantation records include at least one document pertaining to the following properties: Laurels Plantation, Myrtle Grove, Silk Hope, Rock Spring, North Chachan, Tranquil Hill, Battlefield, Green Point,
Keithfield, Spring Grove (Charleston County, S.C.), Oakland, Contentment Cottage, and Spring Grove Plantation (St. Paul’s Parish, S.C.). Other miscellaneous property records consist of an advertisement (no date) for the sale of Plum Island, a 200 acre farm in Charleston County; an abstract of title to a lot in St. George (described as located in Colleton County); and an abstract of title (ca. 1884?) to a lot and home in Moultrieville on Sullivan’s Island, S.C.

BOX 41
478.05 Case and client records relating to African Americans

(A) 01 Joseph Alston legal papers, 1923-1924: Papers consist of correspondence concerning efforts to save mortgaged property at 49 Drake Street in Charleston, S.C., owned by Joseph Alston of Philadelphia (Pa.) and New York.

(A) 02 Martha Artless legal papers, 1886: Papers include a sworn statement by Martha Artless (or Artles), the widow of Thomas Artless (he died intestate in 1873); an affidavit by Frank Breach concerning Thomas Artless and his family; and an agreement between A. F. C. Cramer and Martha Artless regarding property on Line Street in Charleston, S.C.

(B) 01 Samuel J. Bampfield legal papers, 1877-1889: Papers include letters (1877) from Samuel J. Bampfield (1849-1899) in Beaufort, S.C. concerning a legal case and some documents requested by the Charleston law firm of Simons & Simons; and legal documents in a lawsuit, John G. Bampfield, James O. Bampfield, S. J. Bampfield et al. v. Anna F. Pezant and Joseph A. Taylor, a case relating to the estate of Joseph Bampfield, who died in Charleston in 1857.

(B) 02 Julia M. Banks legal papers, 1899-1906: Correspondence and documents mainly concerning some property on Drake Street in Charleston, S.C., and the settlement of the estate of Harriet Johnson, the mother of Julia M. Banks. Many letters from Julia M. Banks and her son-in-law W. M. Boley (of the Lowry Institute and Industrial School) in Mayesville, S.C. concern her dealings with Charleston attorney John D. Cappelmann. Legal documents (1899) include a decree and testimony in a lawsuit, Henry Rhodes Johns on v. Julia M. Banks et al., a case involving the partition of the estate of Harriet Johnson, a free mulatto woman who had children by a free mulatto man, Glenn Johnson, and then by George Artope, a white man.

(B) 03 Christina Bowen legal papers, 1926-1927: Mostly correspondence concerning efforts to locate Poinsett Bowen, the estranged husband of Christina Reguler Bowen of Charleston, S.C. A sworn statement by Mrs. Brown lists their children and contends that Mr. Brown deserted his family and left for North Carolina.

(B) 04 Elizabeth Brown legal papers, 1904-1922: Papers include legal documents in a lawsuit, Elizabeth Brown v. Katie Gibbes, the Reformed Methodist Union Church, et al., a case involving the estate of Elizabeth Nelson Brown’s husband Rev. John Brown (died 1903). (Note: See related papers in 478.04 (C) 03)

(B) 05 Abram L. Brown estate papers, 1910-1912: Records include an abstract of the will of Abram L. Brown (died 1909; “former resident of Edisto Island”); letters of Benjamin Seabrook,
one of Brown’s heirs; and a letter inquiring about Ellen Brown, the daughter of Elizabeth Wright.

(B) 06 Lucy Brown estate papers, 1912: Records consist of a copy of the will of Lucy Brown (died 1911) of Charleston, S.C.; a letter stating that “during slavery” Lucy Brown had been the wife of Charles Fishburne, and later married Hamilton Brown; and a letter to Moses Colleton (or Collington), the nephew of Lucy Brown.

(B) 07 Brown family legal papers, 1913: Papers include legal documents in a lawsuit, Sarah Brown (a minor) v. Richard (or “Boisey”) Richardson, Paul Jenkins and Eva Jenkins, a case involving the estate of Sarah Brown’s father Nero Brown, who owned ten acres of land and a house in St. Andrews Parish north of Maryville; and notes on the Brown family.

(D) 01 Dunn family legal papers, 1896: These papers consist of legal documents and notes in the case of Rosa M. Whiting, Charles Dunn et al. v. Gertrude H. Simmons et al. The case concerns some property on Wentworth Street in Charleston, S.C., which was deeded in trust for “the sole use and behoof of Louisa Burke a free person of color” for her lifetime by John Dunn in 1858. Louisa Burke, who died in 1887, left several children including Rosa M. (Dunn) Whiting and John Dunn (died 1892).

(E) 01 Eggart family legal papers, 1897: Papers include a deed of conveyance by Michael J. Eggart (“formerly of Charleston…and now of Peru”) to his daughters, of property in Charleston, S.C.

(F) 01 Victoria Ferguson legal papers, 1923-1927: Papers consist of correspondence and legal documents and notes pertaining to the legal and property affairs of Mrs. Victoria Doxine Ferguson, the adopted daughter of Abraham Doxine (died 1902). Papers include a copy of the will of Abraham (or Abram) Doxine; an indenture of separation for Victoria Ferguson and her husband Charles D. Ferguson; a copy of the will of Victoria Ferguson; and statements regarding Mrs. Ferguson’s property at Ten Mile Hill in Charleston County, S.C.

(F) 02 Elizabeth Ford estate papers, 1897: Papers include a sworn statement by Rosa Hamilton, the sister of Elizabeth Ford (died circa 1897), giving information on the family and their father Caesar [McHeney] who “during slavery belonged to Collough,” and his mother Sarah, who “belonged to Lawrence McCants.” There is also a statement by J. L. C. Smalls concerning Elizabeth Ford, her husband Kit, and their children.

(G) 01 Prince Gadsden legal papers, 1886-1888: Papers consist of copies of the will of Prince Gadsden (who is listed in the 1887 Charleston city directory as a colored truck farmer); and an agreement between Prince Gadsden and A. W. Meyer concerning the cultivation of Meyer’s farm “known as Volmer farm.”

(G) 02 Green family legal papers, 1885-1915: Papers include a copy of the will (1915) of Mary A. Green, widow of Jesse Green (died 1885); notes on the Green family; and legal documents in the case of Mary Green v. Venus Campbell et al., which concerns the estate of Jesse Green.
(G) 03 Prince Green family papers, 1884-1902: Papers of this African American family include copies of the will (1897) of Prince Green, Sr. (died 1902); and letters relating to his property in Charleston, S.C. One letter bears the names and marks of his five children.

(H) 01 Holmes family legal papers, 1900: Papers consist of a statement and notes about the family of George S. Holmes (died 1871). A statement by his relations, Mrs. Isabella E. Cole and Mrs. Maggie S. Gaillard (“daughters of Sarah and Samuel Blanks”), relates that their grandmother, “Mary Holmes or Cain,” was born a free woman of color, and among other children, had a son named George S. Holmes.

(H) 02 Howard family legal papers, 1885-1890: Papers include correspondence and legal documents relating to the legal affairs of Josephine R. Howard, and a master’s report in the case of Josephine Howard v. J. Bruce Howard, Joseph P. Howard, Cecelia M. Elfe et al., which concerns the estate of Robert Motte, Sr. (who was “also called Robert Howard”). There is also a sworn statement by Eliza Howard (possibly unrelated to the other individuals by this name), formerly a slave of John Mene, a tinner of Augusta, Ga., sold to John Preston of Charleston, S.C.

(J) 01 Pompey Jenkins legal papers, 1901: Papers consist of correspondence relating to a mortgage on property in Berkeley County, S.C. “given by one Pompey Jenkins to R. H. Coney.” A letter to the Charleston law firm of Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann from James B. Wiggins of Moncks Corner states that Pompey Jenkins “was a favorite servant of my father.”

(L) 01 Anna R. Lewis estate papers, 1905-1907: Papers chiefly consist of correspondence regarding some property belonging to the estate of Anna R. (Jenkins) Lewis (died 1905) of Washington, D.C., who was the wife of William Henry Lewis. Correspondents include the Washington law firm of Ralston & Siddons, and Robert L. Waring. A letter to Ralston & Simmons from Charleston attorney John D. Cappelmann indicates that Mrs. Lewis and her family were formerly slaves.

(M) 01 Maxwell family legal papers, ca. 1891: Chiefly notes pertaining to a legal case, Maxwell v. Maxwell. Most of the notes concern the family of Thyrza (or Teresa) Maxwell, a free black woman whose husband Stephen Maxwell was a former slave.

(M) 02 Eva Miller legal papers, 1890-1900: Papers consist of a copy of the will of Eva Miller of Charleston, S.C.; and a letter to attorney John D. Cappelmann asking for a loan.

(M) 03 Nathaniel Morant legal papers, 1881-1883: Papers include a copy of the will of Nathaniel Morant of St. Andrews Parish; a letter to Morant acknowledging a payment on a lot (Morant owned property “known as Sarah Grove”); and a sworn statement by Prince Young regarding Nathaniel Morant’s family.

(M) 04 Francis Murphy legal papers, 1907-1911: Papers consist of legal documents and correspondence relating to efforts to obtain a pardon for Francis Murphy (the son of Emma Fishburne of Charleston), who was convicted of murder in 1898 and sentenced to life in prison. Documents include affidavits by witnesses, and letters of Francis Murphy.
(M) 05 Miscellaneous records relating to African Americans, 1876-1908: Papers include a letter to Ellen [Fetherson] concerning her claim to an account in the Freedman’s Bank; a letter from H. H. Mouzon in Kingstree, S.C., to J. F. Puckhaber in Charleston, regarding his Freedman’s Bank pass book; a copy of the will of Daniel Lewis, a Charleston carpenter; a sworn statement by Mildred [I.] Wigfall, the widow of Paul Wigfall; a statement (1876) concerning Richard Johnson, a slave who “lived at the back of the Four Mile House,” and who was the father of Mary Elizabeth Mustapher (or Mustapha); two affidavits (1891) regarding Cato Dawson, a former slave; a power of attorney of Abram Tyler and Julia Daniels of Monrovia, Liberia, concerning the legal affairs of their late sister Katie Gregg; letters (1885) from attorney Heriot Clarkson in Charlotte, N.C., concerning [Bettie] Smith, the daughter of Stephen Riley (of North Carolina and Charleston), a free black man who married a slave; a copy of the will of Rev. James Rivers of James Island, S.C., with notes on his family; and the will (1887) of Liddia Dewees (Dereef?).

(N) 01 Noisette family legal papers, 1883-1907: Documents dated 1899 pertain to the sale of or rights to property owned by J. J. Noisette and Paul S. Noisette (died 1904), on Noisette’s Creek. Other documents relate to the estate of Joseph J. Noisette, who died in 1906. There is also a note (n.d.) from Alexander Noisette stating his lawful name.

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(P) 01 Patrick v. Reedy case records, 1902-1904: Case records include a statement by Phoebe Allston, daughter of Caesar Young; an answer by Anne Bryan, one of the defendants; and transcripts of testimony. Testimony of Esther Patrick, the plaintiff, includes family history information on Caesar Young, a former slave who “belonged to Joseph Douglas.” Joseph W. Seabrook, a former planter on Edisto Island and Fenwick Island, also testified that Caesar Young was his slave. The case involves some property allegedly given to “Hester Patrick.”

(P) 02 John R. Pinckney estate papers, 1885-ca. 1890: Records consist of a copy of the will of John R. Pinckney of Charleston and notes on the will. His will provides for his wife Sarah E. Pinckney and his children by her, as well as some “illegitimate children.”

(P) 03 Minnie Pinckney legal papers, 1921: Papers consist of correspondence and legal documents chiefly relating to efforts by Minnie Pinckney, widow of Morris Pinckney (died 1921) of Charleston, S.C., to obtain funds due to her from her husband’s estate.

(R) 01 Charles A. Rutherford estate papers, 1896-1902: Papers consist of copies of the will of Charles A. Rutherford (died 1901) of Charleston, S.C.; a related letter by C. H. Blanken; and a statement by Kate Manning, a former slave (of Mary Swinton) who testified that Charles Rutherford was a slave, “that he belonged to the late [R.] E. Dereef,” and was the son of Priscilla, a slave of Rev. C. C. Pinckney.

(S) 01 Mary Seabrook estate papers, 1917-1919: Records consist of a copy of the will of Mary Seabrook of Edisto Island, S.C.; notes on the Seabrook family; and a letter to Benjamin Seabrook in Bridgeport, Connecticut, concerning some property on Edisto Island that is part of the “Abram L. Brown” tract. (See related papers in the Abram L. Brown estate papers, 478.05 (B) 05.)

(S) 02 Smalls family legal papers, 1901-1923.  SEE ONLINE RECORD
(S) 03 Smalls family legal papers, 1884-1928: Correspondence and other documents relating to various individuals by the name of Smalls. A few papers pertain to the family of Dick Smalls, a former slave who belonged to Governor William Aiken of South Carolina. Included are probate and estate records of Lucy Smalls Dallas (died 1887), one of Dick Smalls’ daughters. Other items include a copy of the will of Lena Smalls of Charleston, S.C.; and a mortgage, Peter Smalls to George S. Holmes, on land in Christ Church Parish, S.C. (See also the Holmes Family Legal Papers, 478.05 (H) 01)

(S) 04 Stillson family legal papers, 1890-1891: Papers consist of correspondence, including letters concerning a lawsuit, Frank [S.] Stillson v. James Arthur Lee, and letters of and concerning the legal affairs of Frank [S.] Stillson (Francis S. Stillson?).

(T) 01 Elizabeth Taylor estate papers, ca. 1890: Papers include notes on the family of Abram (or Abraham?) Taylor and his wife Elizabeth, who were evidently free persons of color of Charleston, S.C. Legal notes trace the descendants and heirs of Elizabeth Taylor, who owned property on Nassau Street, and who died intestate in 1843. There are also legal documents in the case of Anna Williams v. Isaac W. Taylor, a lawsuit involving the estate of Elizabeth Taylor and property on Nassau Street in Charleston.

(T) 02 George W. Thompson estate records, 1894-1895: Papers consist of correspondence and notes relating to the estate of George W. Thompson (died 1894) of Conway, S.C. Included is a receipt made out to Mrs. Agnes Thompson; and notes on the family of Augustus Thompson (died 1893; the father of George W. Thompson) and his wife, who were married “during slavery.”

(U) 01 Records relating to U.S. Colored Troops, 1883-1895: Records include a letter from Robert Carraway of Charleston, S.C., a former member of the 104th Regiment, U.S.C.T., who claimed that he was shot in the head by the colonel (Lt. Col. Wilson) of his regiment in November 1865; a letter concerning a claim by Esau Brown; papers relating to invalid claims by Mike Cunningham of the 104th Regiment, U.S.C.T.; a document pertaining to the pension claims of Rosie Hill, the mother of Augustus Campbell of the U.S.C.T. (Company H, 33rd Regiment); and letters (1887-1888) relating to John Jack, who claimed to have been injured in 1862 while serving in the 37th Regiment, U.S.C.T.

(V) 01 Richard Vanderhorst estate papers, 1893: Papers consist of letters between Charleston attorney Theodore D. Jervey and the law firm of Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann concerning the estate and family of Richard Vanderhorst. One letter states that Richard Vanderhorst died “about 1873,” survived by his wife and siblings.

(W) 01 Harriet Walker estate papers, 1918-1919: Papers include a copy of the will of Harriet Walker of James Island, S.C.; notes on her deceased husband William Walker and her family; and a sworn statement by Thomas Walker, brother of William Walker, concerning his brother’s descendants.

(W) 02 Jacob N. Washington legal papers, 1912-1914: Papers chiefly of correspondence, including letters between Jacob N. Washington in Chicago, Illinois, and Hamilton, Ontario, and

(W) 03 Washington family legal papers, 1883-1891: These papers consist of letters and a will pertaining to various persons by the name of Washington. They include two letters (1891) from Fortune Washington, one of which concerns some land in Lincolnville, S.C.; a letter (1883) to attorneys Simons & Cappelmann from Rev. E. R. Washington of Berkeley County, S.C.; and a copy of the will (1885) of John Washington of Charleston County, S.C.

(W) 04 Wright family legal papers, 1912-1921: One group of papers pertain to the legal affairs of Laura Wright, and include a transcript of her “Family Record,” a letter from her cousin Primus Turkwine, and a letter concerning “her interest in the Charles Parker estate at Fort Motte, S.C.” Another group of papers concerns legal and property affairs of William Wright of Edisto Island, and includes notes on the Wright family and a sworn statement by Elizabeth Pinckney Wright, wife of William Wright. There is also a copy of the will of Susan Pendergrass, “formerly Wright…born Dewees.” Some of these individuals by the name of Wright may be unrelated.

(W) 05 Louisa West estate papers, 1894-1898: Papers include copies of the will of Louisa West (died 1896); a sworn statement by Martha Nelson Robertson, West’s sister-in-law; estate accounts; a letter to an official of the U.S. Pension Agency concerning some money sent to Mrs. West; and a U.S. pension certificate for Louisa West, widow of Private William West of the U.S. Army.

BOX 43
478.06 Wills and estate records, arranged alphabetically  SEE ONLINE RECORDS

BOX 44
478.07 Miscellaneous items

07.01 Records relating to the South Carolina Dispensary and liquor laws, 1873-1916: Records include correspondence; legislative records; an agreement and bond (1893) between Commissioner D. H. Traxler and the Palmetto Brewing Company; a transcript of a meeting of the Dispensary Committee of the South Carolina House of Representatives and the Police Committee of the South Carolina Senate (1909); a quarterly statement (1913) of the County Dispensary Board for Charleston County; a typescript copy of “Rules for the Government of the Central Dispensary; a legal agreement (n.d.) concerning the Dispensary Act; and a citizens’ petition (n.d.) asking the South Carolina legislature “to make no change” in the liquor laws.

07.02 Francis L. Frost letter, 1904: A printed letter addressed to “Dear Sir” by Dr. Francis LeJau Frost (1837-1912), a candidate for the Health Officer of the city of Charleston, S.C., details his medical education, his service in the Confederate Army as a surgeon to several units (including Gregg’s Regiment, the 7th S.C. Cavalry Regiment, and the 3rd Corps of the Army of Northern Virginia, under the command of General A. P. Hill, for whom Frost served as personal surgeon), and his subsequent career as a planter and a physician in South Carolina and elsewhere.
07.03 Records relating to U.S. Army pensioners, 1881-1899: Records include correspondence and other documents relating to the pension claims of the widow of Duncan Cameron (1822-1895), a veteran of the Mexican War; letters concerning pension claims of Frederick Engel of the 5th Regiment U.S. Artillery; and letters and other documents pertaining to the pension claims of Anthony Carter, who was enrolled in the U.S. Recruiting Service in 1868.

07.04 Records relating to the Sinking Fund, 1880-1916: Correspondence and other documents pertaining to the Sinking Fund Commission of South Carolina. Records include letters and papers relating to a “proposed sale” of certain state property to Mr. J. Remfry and Mr. Bertram.

07.05 Records relating to Union, S.C., 1900: Records concern bonds issued by the town of Union, S.C., for the purpose of constructing a “sewerage system,” and include a typescript copy of a petition signed by “218 freeholders” of Union.

07.06 Anton Borchert papers, 1906: Chiefly letters relating to a war claim against the U.S. government by the estate of Anton Borchert (1804-1870), and a related bill introduced into the U.S. House of Representatives. Papers include a copy of the bill, which directs that a sum of more than six thousand dollars be paid to the estate of Anton Borchert for damages to and stores appropriated from his bakery in Savannah, Ga., in late 1865, by occupying U.S. forces in the city.

07.07 Correspondence relating to Benjamin Meyerhoff, 1883: Originals and copies of letters between William P. Miner, a former officer in the 8th Regiment, Michigan Volunteers, and Herman Klatte (1834-1916), of the German Artillery of Charleston, S.C., concerning the return of a sash taken from the body of Benjamin Meyerhoff, who was killed at the Battle of Port Royal in 1861, and who was attended by Confederate surgeon Dr. Edwin Sommers Buist (1837-1861).

07.08 Wentworth Street Lutheran Church war claims records, 1906-1915: Records consist of correspondence and transcripts of testimony concerning damage to the Wentworth Street Lutheran Church (later St. Andrew’s Lutheran Church) by United States troops during the bombardment of Charleston. Testimony by Miss Dorothy Cecilia Devereux states that she saw accounts of architect John Henry Devereux (1840-1920) for repair work in the church in 1866. A copy of these accounts of Devereux is included. Correspondents include South Carolina Senator Benjamin R. Tillman (1847-1918) and Frank A. Butts, an attorney of Washington, D.C.

07.09 Miscellaneous war claims records, 1905-1906: Records consist of affidavits and a letter concerning war claims by some Confederate veterans “who lost their horses in the war” and who sought reimbursement under an act of 1902. Includes a statement by H. Bläsé of the 3rd South Carolina Cavalry. There is also an unfinished affidavit pertaining to the widow of W. [Gehlobohur?] of Alabama, stating that the said soldier did not desert Confederate service.

07.10 Miscellaneous items, 1882-ca. 1915: Items include business cards of the Simons, Siegling & Cappelmann law firm, a newspaper clipping, and a color poster of “An Ancient Belle.”

BOX 45
**478.08** Simons & Siegling I records *(Thomas Y. Simons and Rudolph Siegling)*  
SEE ONLINE RECORD

**478.09** Simons & Siegling II records *(James Simons and Rudolph Siegling)*  
SEE ONLINE RECORD

478.09 Correspondence, 1878-1882

**BOX 46**
478.09 Correspondence, 1883-1890.

478.09 Case records:

(A) 01 M. L. Ashton legal papers, 1888: Papers chiefly consist of letters from Mrs. M. L. Ashton, a Charleston business woman, to E. Clinton & Company of Philadelphia (Pa.) concerning her inability to pay a debt. A letter from a Philadelphia attorney to the Charleston law firm of Simons & Simons (by this time Simons & Siegling) requests collection of the debt. (Note: A city directory of 1888 lists a “Mrs. M. L. Ashton, hair and fancy goods, 256 King.”)

(B) 01 Ball family legal papers, 1879-1884: Mostly correspondence of John Coming Ball (1848-1926) and Isaac Ball (1844-1933) with the law firm of Simons & Siegling concerning property matters. One group of letters (1881-1884) mainly relates to the possible sale of Cedar Hill Plantation (Berkeley County, S.C.). A letter (1883) to T. Grange Simons concerns the legal case of Simons et al. v. Ball et al.

(B) 02 Jacob Barrett estate records, 1872-1886.  
SEE ONLINE RECORD

(B) 03 Behre family legal papers, 1887-1889: Papers consist of correspondence and legal documents chiefly pertaining to the estates of Charles H. Behre (1823-1886) and his wife Mary Behre (1837-1887), and a lawsuit arising out of the settlement of the latter. Correspondents include Charles H. Behre, Jr. of Atlanta (Ga.) and Frederick G. Behre.

**BOX 47**

(B) 04 August Belmont & Co. papers, 1881-1885: Chiefly letters to Rudolph Siegling from August Belmont & Company in New York concerning banking and investment transactions. Includes one sheet of accounts. (Note: See related papers in the records of Simons & Siegling, 478.08).

(B) 05 Blacklock family legal papers, 1880-1881: Mostly legal documents and notes relating to the case of Emma Jane Blacklock (1840-1914) et al. v. Olney Harleston (1814-1890) et al.

(C) 01 Samuel R. Honey v. Elizabeth M. Creighton et al. case records, ca. 1880: A legal complaint in this case, which concerns the estate of Thomas Aston Coffin (1795-1863) and his son James E. McPherson Coffin, contains some genealogical information on the Creighton family.

(H) 01 Hampton family legal papers, 1879-1888.  
SEE ONLINE RECORD
(J) 01 Johnson family legal papers, 1879-1882: Papers consist of a letter concerning “Johnson property” on King Street in Charleston, S.C.; a sworn statement by Rev. John Johnson (1829-1907) detailing some of his family relationships; and drafts of several legal documents bound together that relate to the estate of Thomas N. Johnson and the sale of property (107 King Street) to Otto F. Wieters. There are also two documents (1879) in the case of Eliza Anne Johnson v. John Johnson et al. Some of the persons represented named Johnson may be unrelated.

(L) 01 Legare family legal papers, 1880-1887: These papers, mostly legal documents, mainly concern the estate of James LaRoche Legare (died 1865), a person of unsound mind who died at the South Carolina State Hospital (asylum) in Columbia, S.C. Documents include petitions by Beach J. Legare and Thomas J. Legare, two of his heirs and distributes. Also included are notes on the families of Nathan Legare (died 1868) and Daniel Legare, Jr. (1812-1862).

(L) 02 Levy family legal papers, 1882-1888: Mostly legal notes concerning the estate of Minna Rosenberg Levy (1825-1887), who died in a lunatic asylum in Berlin (Germany). Notes include information on her family and her father, Jacob Gottschalk Rosenberg of Germany. Mrs. Levy was the widow of Solomon Levy. Also included is a letter to attorney James Simons from Mrs. A. E. Levy in Augusta, Georgia (possibly unrelated to the other individuals by this name), concerning the estate of Moses Levy (1809-1882) of Charleston, S.C.

(M) 01 McKinlay family legal papers, 1885-1889. SEE ONLINE RECORD

(M) 02 Malone family legal papers, 1883-1889. SEE ONLINE RECORD

BOX 48

(O) 01 O’Connor family legal papers, 1880-1889. SEE ONLINE RECORD

(P) 01 Petit family legal papers, 1878-1881: Papers consist of an invoice (1878) of grocery purchases by Mr. Ernest Petit; a legal document in the case of Gustave Follin v. A. Adel Petit et al.; and an abstract of title to a house at 144 Meeting Street, Charleston, S.C., which names various members of the Petit and Benoist families and others.

(S) 01 Sineath family legal papers, 1883: Papers consist of three letters and a sworn statement by W. J. Sineath pertaining to the estate of his sister Mrs. Theodosia A. Boineau, who died intestate in 1862.


478.09 Miscellaneous case records

BOX 49

478.10 J. Ancrum Simons papers
NOTE: James Ancrum Simons was a Charleston attorney and state representative, and the law partner of John D. Cappelmann (Simons & Cappelmann). A newspaper article that appeared in the Georgetown Semi-Weekly Times in late 1895 stated that he had been indicted on a charge of breach of trust with fraudulent intent. In January 1896 Simons left Charleston, took up residence in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and practiced law there under the name of James Ballantyne until his death. His wife, Helen Toomer Jennings Simons, and most of his children, joined him in Sioux Falls in 1897, and Mrs. Simons took the name Helen Jennings Ballantyne. She died in Oakland, California, in 1941. One of her sons was William Washington Ballantyne (1884-1951). James Ancrum Simons is buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery in Sioux Falls (as James Ballantyne). There is some related correspondence of Helen J. Simons (aka Mrs. Ballantyne) in the personal and family correspondence of John D. Cappelmann.

01 J. Ancrum Simons private practice records: correspondence and case records
02 J. Ancrum Simons personal and professional papers
03 J. Ancrum Simons estate papers
04 J. Ancrum Simons personal correspondence
05 J. Ancrum Simons militia related correspondence
06 J. Ancrum Simons political correspondence

478.11 Simons & Cappelmann records
SEE ONLINE RECORD

Correspondence, 1882 – July 1885

BOX 50
 correspondence, Aug. 1885-1888

BOX 51
 01 Correspondence, no date
 02 Papers relating to the dissolution of the firm
 03 Miscellaneous case records


05 Graver family legal papers, ca. 1878-1884: Most records in this collection pertain to the settlement of the estate of John Graver (died 18820, and include a copy of his will, notes about his family, and correspondence of persons indebted to the estate from various places in South Carolina such as Branchville, Walterboro, Cottageville, Foreston, and Early Branch. There is also an answer in the case of Arend Diederich Graver (1848-1879) et al. v. Herman Graver et al., concerning the estate of John H. Graver (died 1874).

06 Guyton family legal papers, 1882-1888: Mostly correspondence pertaining to two plantations, Brick House (Berkeley County, S.C.) and Oakley (Georgetown County, S.C.). Also
includes a rental agreement between N. H. Guyton and W. R. Harmon for Oakley Plantation. A letter of Jan. 23, 1885, from Nathan H. Guyton gives details about the ownership of Brick House.

07 Emil Hyman legal papers, 1882-1886: Papers include arguments in the case of the State of South Carolina v. Emil Hyman, a citizen accused of murder; and letters of Emil Hyman, including one written from the Columbia penitentiary, to the law firm of Simons & Cappelmann asking for help in obtaining a pardon from the governor.

08 Thomas W. Hyott estate records, 1888: Correspondence pertaining to the settlement of the estate Thomas W. Hyott (died 1887) of Charleston, S.C., who had heirs named Ivie. Includes letters from James Ivie in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, who was apparently the father-in-law of Thomas W. Hyott.

09 Pennington family legal papers, ca. 1887: Papers include legal documents in the case of George Just Pennington et al. v. Margaret Just Clayton et al., a lawsuit concerning property in Charleston, S.C. bequeathed to the heirs of Mrs. Margaret Just (1794-1871), the widow of George Just (1783-1853); extracts from the will of Margaret Just; and a copy of the will of Susannah Mills Pennington of Summerville, S.C. There is also a letter from James M. Pennington in Summerville.

10 Tweedy family legal papers, 1883-1884: Correspondence and legal documents and notes pertaining to the estate of Washington Tweedy of Charleston County, S.C., formerly a resident of Delaware. Several letters include some family history; other documents relate to property owned by Tweedy in Charleston, S.C, and some claims that Mary Ann Tweedy (nee Hull) was not his lawful wife.

**BOX 52**

478.12 John D. Cappelmann private practice records


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**BOX 53**


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**BOX 54**

478.15 Cappelmann & Cappelmann case records

correspondence, 1919-1927.

**BOX 55**

Cappelmann & Cappelmann case records.

478.16 Cappelmann & Cain records, 1927-1928.

**SEE ONLINE RECORD**

**BOX 56**

478.17 Rudolph Siegling papers, 1871-1911.

**SEE ONLINE RECORD**
correspondence and personal and militia papers.

**BOX 57**
Siegling family papers.

**BOX 58**

*478.18 James Simons papers, 1875-1919.*
**SEE ONLINE RECORD, AND FINDING AID FOR 478.18**

Personal correspondence of James Simons, arranged chronologically, 1880-1906.

**BOX 59**
Personal correspondence, 1907-1916

**BOX 60**
Personal correspondence, 1917-1919; and undated letters

**BOX 61**
James Simons personal correspondence, arranged by correspondent

James Simons political papers, 1881-1916.

**BOX 62**
James Simons school papers, 1877-1912.

**BOX 63**
James Simons school papers, 1912-1919.

**BOX 64**
James Simons papers relating to the Society of the Cincinnati, 1875-1919.

**BOX 65**
James Simons miscellaneous personal papers:

**BOX 66**
Simons family papers, 1878-1913.

**BOX 67**
**SEE FINDING AID FOR JOHN D. CAPPELMANN PAPERS**

*478.19 John D. Cappelmann papers*

Personal correspondence, 1872-1889

**BOX 68**
Personal correspondence, 1890-1894
BOX 69
Personal correspondence, 1895-1898

BOX 70
Personal correspondence, 1899-1902

BOX 71
Personal correspondence, 1903-1908

BOX 72
Personal correspondence, 1909-1912

BOX 73
Personal correspondence, 1913-1917

BOX 74
Personal correspondence, 1918-1925

BOX 75
Personal correspondence, 1926-1928; and undated correspondence
Personal correspondence arranged by correspondent: William A. Courtenay, Helen J. Simons (Ballantyne), and John Stolle.

BOX 76
City Hospital papers, 1880-1891.  SEE ONLINE RECORD

BOX 77
Papers relating to German organizations and heritage, 1874-1924.

BOX 78
Papers relating to German organizations and heritage, continued.

BOX 79
Miscellaneous personal papers

BOX 80
Miscellaneous personal papers, continued

BOX 81
Miscellaneous personal papers, continued

BOX 82
Papers relating to churches and charities:

Board of Missions records
BOX 83
Board of Mission records

BOX 84
South Carolina Sunday School Association papers

BOX 85
Charleston Lutheran church papers: Wentworth St., St. Andrew’s, St. Barnabas

BOX 86
Charleston Lutheran church papers: St. Barnabas, St. Johannes, St. John’s, St. Matthews

Lutheran Synod papers

Newberry College papers

BOX 87
Papers relating to the Lutheran Theological Seminary; Lutheran Brotherhood papers

BOX 88
Lutheran Deaconess Motherhouse papers

John D. Cappelmann general religious correspondence and papers

BOX 89
John D. Cappelmann general religious correspondence and papers:

Papers relating to William Jennings Bryan

Papers relating to non-Lutheran churches and charities

Lutheran Orphan Home papers

Evangelical Lutheran Charities Society (re Jacob Washington Franke Home)

YMCA

Star Gospel Mission

BOX 90
Cappelmann family papers

BOX 91
Pieper family papers

BOX 92
Schroder family papers

**BOX 93**

*478.20 Photographs*

01  Identified individuals: John H. Smith; Emma Colberg; R. Teskey; and Miss Nettie Swartz
02  Farm scene (South Carolina? ca. 1905?); military helmets
03  “Cattle in a Dipping Vat” (1918?) Texas
04  Photographs of unidentified men
05  Photographs of unidentified women
06  Photographs of unidentified children
07  Photograph of a group in Brooklyn, N.Y., 1899