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Randal Milton Ewing
Papers, 1835-1923

COLLECTION SUMMARY

Creator:

Ewing, Randal Milton, 1829-1907

Inclusive Dates:

1835-1923

Scope & Content:

Consists of correspondence, photographs, a legal notebook, and a ticket book to the 1897 Tennessee Centennial Exposition. Most of the letters addressed Randal Milton Ewing or his daughter, Carrie E. Ewing. A couple of the missives are from Elizabeth Fain to her daughter, Frances Rhea Anderson McAlister, and grandson, Harry Hill McAlister.

The photographs are of “Crescent View” house in Giles County and the Sam Davis statue in Pulaski. Crescent View was the home of Randal Milton Ewing’s son, Francis McGavock Ewing.

The legal notebook belonged to Randal Milton Ewing. He likely kept the tome as part of his law practice. Law Docket and Equity Docket head some of the pages with court case names (presumably from Williamson County) listed. Legal notes on rules of pleading, demurer, and various actions (i.e. replevin, trespass on the case, trover, debt, covenant, etc.) as well as accounts also appear.

The 1897 Tennessee Centennial Exposition ticket book belonged to Mrs. Morgan William Brown (Frances Rhea McAlister Brown). All the tickets are still intact. The front cover includes a photo of Mrs. Brown.

Physical Description/Extent:

.25 cubic feet

Accession/Record Group Number:

THS 303, THS 361, THS 958-03

Language:

English

Permanent Location:

THS I-A-3

Repository:

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Administrative/Biographical History

Randal Milton Ewing

Born in Williamson County, Tennessee, on June 1, 1829, Randal Milton Ewing was the son of Andrew B. Ewing (1796-1881) and his wife, Eliza McDowell McGavock Ewing (1801-1876). Mr. Ewing married Mary Ellen McGavock (1833-1891) in Williamson County on September 12, 1853. They had several children including: Carrie Eliza Ewing (1854-1937), Charles Andrew Ewing (1857-1928), Francis McGavock Ewing (1861-1907), and William Frierson Ewing (1864-1944). Mr. Ewing was a lawyer and resided in Franklin. He was appointed Attorney General of the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Tennessee when the state seceded in 1861. Mr. Ewing held the same office from 1864-1865. He was elected Vice President of the Tennessee Bar Association for 1884-1885. Mr. Ewing died on July 1, 1907, and is buried in Mount Hope Cemetery in Franklin.

Organization/Arrangement of Materials

Materials are alphabetical by format with the correspondence in chronological order.

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Index Terms**Personal/Family Names:**

Brown, Frances Rhea McAlister, 1860-1927
Buckner, Elizabeth, 1876-1947
Dickinson, J. M. (Jacob McGavock), 1851-1928
Ewing, Carrie Eliza, 1854-1937
Ewing, Randal Milton, 1829-1907
Fain, Elizabeth Rhea Anderson, 1789-1853
Harding, Roberta Chase, 1874-1962
Killegrew, J. B.
Marshall, Ellen C., -1927
McAlister, Frances Rhea Anderson, 1812-1856
McAlister, Harry Hill, 1833-1893
Page, Thomas Nelson, 1853-1922
Perkins, G. E.
Smith, Frank Harrison, 1848-1915

Subjects:

Historic buildings -- Tennessee -- Photographs
Monuments -- Tennessee -- Photographs
Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition (1897: Nashville, Tenn.)

Geographic Names:

Giles County (Tenn.) -- History -- Sources
Pulaski (Tenn.) -- History -- Sources
Williamson County (Tenn.) -- History -- Sources

Document Types:

Admission tickets
Correspondence
Photographs
Research notes

Acquisition and Appraisal

Provenance and Acquisition:

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Processing and Administrative Information

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Related Archival Materials:

Ewing Family Papers, 1820-approximately 1935, Tennessee State Library and Archives

Harding-Jackson Papers, 1819-1911, Tennessee State Library and Archives

Harding-Jackson Papers, 1874-1891, Tennessee State Library and Archives

Harding-Jackson Papers Addition, 1944, Tennessee State Library and Archives

Harding-Jackson Papers Addition 2, 1809-1956, Tennessee State Library and Archives

Howell Edmunds Jackson Family Papers, 1841-1942, Tennessee State Library and Archives

Howell Edmunds Jackson Family Papers Addition, 1884-1937, Tennessee State Library and Archives

DETAILED COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

CONTAINER LIST

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Correspondence -- Thomas Nelson Page to Randal Milton Ewing	December 7, 1887	1	4
Correspondence -- J. B. Killegrew to Randal Milton Ewing	May 25, 1904	1	5
Correspondence -- J. M. Dickinson to Randal Milton Ewing	January 27, 1905	1	6
Correspondence -- Roberta C. Harding to Carrie E. Ewing	February 3, 1905	1	7
Correspondence -- Elizabeth J. Buckner to Randal Milton Ewing	February 4, 1905	1	8
Correspondence -- G. E. Perkins to Randal Milton Ewing	February 6, 1905	1	9
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Correspondence -- J. M. Dickinson to Randal Milton Ewing	April 5, 1906	1	11
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