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2.2 cubic feet (6 boxes)

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Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

Some items in the correspondence files are available only in redacted form (Social Security numbers have been blacked out). The originals will not be available until May 2083.

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There are no restrictions.

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Biographical Information

Warren M. Billings (1940-), a scholar of seventeenth-century Virginia history and early American law, is Distinguished Professor of History at the University of New Orleans and Historian of the Supreme Court of Louisiana. He holds degrees from the College of William and Mary, the University of Pittsburgh, and Northern Illinois University. Among his many publications are *Sir William Berkeley and the Forging of Colonial Virginia* (Louisiana State University Press, 2004) and *The Papers of Sir William Berkeley, 1605-1677* (Library of Virginia, 2007). Sir William Berkeley (1605-1677) served as colonial governor of Virginia from 1642 to 1652 and from 1660 to 1677.

Scope and Content

Research files, 1970-2006, compiled by Warren M. Billings (1940-) while editing *The Papers of Sir William Berkeley, 1605-1677* (Library of Virginia, 2007). Correspondence, 1984-2006, reflects Billings's efforts to locate Sir William Berkeley (1605-1677) manuscripts at repositories in England and elsewhere, find answers to research queries, obtain funding, consult with editors, and arrange for publication of the book. Included among the correspondence files are proposals, grant applications, status reports, and a looseleaf travel diary documenting a 1989 research trip to England. Other materials in the collection include notes and outlines, an undated, 1,117-page draft of the book, and photocopies of Berkeley manuscripts.

Contents List

Warren M. Billings research files, 1970-2006.

Extent

Extent: 5 boxes.

Arrangement

Original folder groupings and titles have for the most part been maintained.

Berkeley exhibit (proposed)

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Folder 1

Berkeley manuscripts in county records

Box 1

Folder 2

Berkeley Papers Project - Correspondence, 1970, 1975, 1984-1988.

Box 1

Folder 3

Berkeley Papers Project - Correspondence, 1989.

Box 1
Folder 4

Berkeley Papers Project - Correspondence, 1990.

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Folders 5-6 (folder)

Berkeley Papers Project - Correspondence, 1991.

Box 1
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Berkeley Papers Project - Correspondence, January-April 1992.

Box 1
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Berkeley Papers Project - Correspondence, May-December, 1992.

Box 2
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Berkeley Papers Project - Correspondence, 1993.

Box 2
Folders 3-4 (folder)

Berkeley Papers Project - Correspondence, 1994.

Box 2
Folders 5-7 (folder)

Berkeley Papers Project - Correspondence, 1995.

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Folder 8

Berkeley Papers Project - Correspondence, 1996.

Box 2
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Berkeley Papers Project - Correspondence, 2004-2005.

Box 2
Folder 11

Berkeley Papers Project - Correspondence and miscellaneous documents, 1994-2003.

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Folder 12

Scope and Content

Additional correspondence and miscellaneous documents on CD-ROM. Documents include a bibliography of works on Berkeley and related topics, overviews of the Berkeley Papers Project, calendars of William Berkeley and Frances Culpeper Berkeley papers, and materials related to the publication of Billings's other major Berkeley work, *Sir William Berkeley and the Forging of Colonial Virginia* (Louisiana State University Press, 2004).

Berkeley Papers Project - Overview (partial), ca. 1999.

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Berkeley Papers Project - Publisher shift, 1999.

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Berkeley Papers Project - Research notes, etc.

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Bonseil on silk

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Folders 1-2 (folder)

Culpeper family papers from Kent County Archives

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Folder 3

The English Court: from the Wars of the Roses to the Civil War by David Starkey (photocopied excerpts)

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Folder 4

Frank Berkeley's notes on Frances Culpeper Stephens Berkeley mss.

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Folder 5

Gardening bibliography for notes, etc.

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General court case, 1638 [?] v. Poythress (merchant suit)

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Folder 7

John Catlett letter (from CW)

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Folder 8

Ludwell State House group

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Folder 9

Miscellaneous lists of Berkeley manuscript materials

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Folder 10

Notes and other data on Green Spring House

Box 3

Folder 11

The Papers of Sir William Berkeley, 1605-1677, draft

Box 3

Folders 12-14 (folder)

The Papers of Sir William Berkeley, 1605-1677, draft

Box 4

Folders 1-8 (folder)

Permissions correspondence, 1989-2006

Box 4

Folders 9-10 (folder)

Research materials pertinent to Berkeley, his family, and circles of acquaintance

Box 5

Folder 1

Rough notes ideas, work lists, etc.

Box 5

Folders 2-3 (folder)

VHS style guidelines for Berkeley papers, 1991

Box 5

Folder 4

Oversize files.

Extent

Extent: 1 box.

Documents relating to [tobacco] stint

Box 6

Folder 1

Miscellaneous Berkeley manuscripts (photocopies and transcripts)

Box 6

Folders 2-3 (folder)

The Papers of Sir William Berkeley, 1605-1677 typesetting specifications

Box 6

Folder 4