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Descriptive Summary

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Newport News (Va.) Circuit Court.

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Location

State Records Center - Archives Annex, Library of Virginia

Repository

The Library of Virginia

Administrative Information

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There are no restrictions.

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There are no restrictions.

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Related Material

Additional Newport News records can be found on microfilm at the Library of Virginia. Consult ["A Guide to Virginia County and City Records on Microfilm."](#)

Historical Information

Newport News was established in 1880 and was part of Warwick County until it was incorporated as a city in 1896. In 1958, it absorbed the now extinct locality of Warwick County.

Declarations of intent were the record by which an applicant for U.S. citizenship declared their intent to become a citizen and renounced their allegiance to a foreign government. A declaration of intention normally preceded proof of residence or a petition to become a citizen by two or more years. Beginning in 1795, a person could declare their intent to become a citizen at any time and in any place after they arrived in the United States.

Scope and Content

Newport News (Va.) record of declaration of intention (1908 July-1910 Dec) are two volumes that record a person's name, age, occupation, color, complexion, height in feet and inches, weight, color of hair, color of eyes, other visible distinctive marks, place and date of birth, current residence, place from where emigrated to the United States, vessel arrived on, last foreign residence, a renunciation of allegiance and fidelity to the state of which the person is currently a citizen, and the date the intention was sworn. There is an index in the front of each volume.

Index Terms

Corporate Names:

Newport News (Va.) Circuit Court.

Subjects:

Immigrants -- Virginia -- Newport News.

Naturalization records -- Virginia -- Newport News.

Geographical Names:

Newport News (Va.) -- History -- 20th century.

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