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Descriptive Summary

Barcode numbers

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English

Collector

Warren County (Va.) Circuit Court.

Physical Characteristics

11.45 cu. ft. (16 boxes) and 14 v.

Location

State Records Center - Archives Annex, Library of Virginia

Repository

The Library of Virginia

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions.

Use Restrictions

There are no restrictions.

Acquisition Information

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Related Material

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

Historical Information

Warren County was named for Joseph Warren, the revolutionary patriot who sent Paul Revere and William Dawes on their famous rides and who was killed at the Battle of Bunker Hill. The county was formed from Frederick and Shenandoah counties in 1836.

A Docket is a brief record of proceedings in a court of justice. It usually gives the style of the suit and the date the court first dealt with it. Sometime it gives the date the suit was removed from the docket.

An execution is a court order directing a sheriff or other officer to enforce a judgment, usually by seizing and selling the judgment debtor's property. An Execution Books lists executions sued out or pending in the sheriff's office. It shows notices of process, names of all parties, amount of judgment, date of execution, return date and sheriff's return.

A Writ is a written judicial order to perform a specified act, or giving authority to have it done. A written court order of a judicial process, directing that a sheriff or other judicial officer do what is commanded by the writ; or giving authority and commission to have it done. The Writ Docket is a book that have brief entries concerning writs that were enforced.

Fee Books are volumes showing the date of a duty performed by the clerk, the name of the person paying the fees, and the amount. It includes the fees charged attorneys, cash accounts, and the clerk's fees in common law and chancery cause.

A Memorandum Book is used for notations of entries to be made in other books.

Judgments are civil cases in which justice was administered on the strictly formulated rules of common law. The majority of cases in this record series relate to matters of debt.

Scope and Content

Warren County (Va.) Court Records, 1832-1932 contains Executions for the County, Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery and Circuit Courts; Justice of the Peace Records; Magistrates and Chancery Execution; Writ Docket; Minutes; Process Book A; Chancery Rules Books; Common Law Execution A; Order of Attendance; Register of Descriptive Lists of Persons Convicted of a Felony; Fee Books; Fee Book and Memorandum Book; Common Law Papers; Judgments; and Commonwealth Causes.

Index Terms

Corporate Names:

Subjects:

Circuit courts--Virginia
Court records--Virginia--Warren County

Geographical Names:

Warren County (Va.)--History

Genre and Form Terms:

Local government records--Virginia--Warren County
Judicial records--Virginia--Warren County
Public records--Virginia--Warren County

Contents List

Barcode number 1013617: Executions, 1843-1853

Scope and Content

Box 235 contains Executions, 1843-1853.

Barcode number 1013625: County Court Executions, 1853-1859

Scope and Content

Box 239 contains Executions, 1853-1859.

Barcode numbers 1013627-1013628: Executions, 1842-1883

Scope and Content

Barcode Number 1013627 contains Executions, 1842-1883 is in Box 237. Barcode Number 1013628 contains Executions, 1843-1877 is in Box 236. Part of the executions were from cases heard in the Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery and the Circuit Court.

Barcode number 1013634: Executions, 1832-1892

Scope and Content

Box 243 contains Executions Returned by Constables, 1872-1892; Magistrates' Executions, 1832-1856; and Chancery Executions, 1839-1892.

Barcode number 1096417: Writ Docket, 1850-1903

Scope and Content

This book contains records of writs heard in the County Court and Superior Court of Law and Chancery.

Barcode number 1096425: Minutes, 1844-1870

Scope and Content

This book contains the clerk's rough notes of court proceedings that were later transcribed into an order book.

Barcode number 1096449: Process Book A, 1836-1894

Scope and Content

This book shows how the court exercised jurisdiction over a person or a specific property.

Barcode number 1096454: Chancery Rule Book A, 1836-1879

Scope and Content

Rule was a session of the Court. Chancery Causes were first heard in Rules before they were heard in the Chancery Court. These rules were for Chancery Causes heard in the Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery.

Barcode number 1096455: Chancery Rule A, 1837-1913**Scope and Content**

Rule was a session of the Court. Chancery Causes were first heard in the Rules before they were heard in the Chancery Court. These rules were for Chancery Causes heard in the County Court and Circuit Court.

Barcode number 1096478: Chancery Executions A, 1839-1894**Scope and Content**

This book contains executions issued by the Chancery Court.

Barcode number 1096479: Common Law Executions A, 1836-1883**Scope and Content**

This book contains executions issued by the Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery and the Circuit Court.

Barcode number 1096489: Orders of Attendance, 1837-1884**Scope and Content**

This book contains the names of the witness called to appear at court for judgments, criminal cases, and or chancery causes.

Barcode number 1096495: Register of Descriptive Lists of Persons Convicted of Felony, 1867-1932**Scope and Content**

This books gives specific physical characteristics that can be used to identity the felons.

Barcode numbers 1096502-1096506: Fee Books, 1836-1883**Scope and Content**

Barcode Number 1096505 contains Fee Book, 1836-1853. Barcode Number 1096504 contains Fee Book, 1854-1875. Barcode Number 1096506 contains Fee Book, 1868-1871. Barcode Number 1096502 contains Fee Book, 1881-1883. Barcode Number 1096503 contains a combination Fee Book and Memorandum Book for the years 1869-1882.

Barcode numbers 1134334-1134341, 1134427: Common Law Papers, 1836-1921 (bulk 1849-1921)**Scope and Content**

Barcode Number 1134427 contains Common Law Papers, 1836-1846, Box 1. Barcode Number 1134334 contains Common Law Papers, 1849-1858, Box 2. Barcode Number 1134335 contains Common Law Papers, 1858-1874, Box 3. Barcode Number 1134336 contains Common Law Papers, 1875-1885, Box 4. Barcode Number 1134337 contains Common Law Papers, 1886-1897, Box 5. Barcode Number 1134338 contains Common Law Papers, 1896-1909, Box 6. Barcode Number 1134339 contains Common Law Papers, 1907-1913, Box 7. Barcode Number 1134340 contains Common Law Papers, 1913-1918, Box 8. Barcode Number 1134341 contains Common Law Papers, 1917-1921, Box 9. These records are Accession Number 37018.

Barcode number 1176237: Judgments and Commonwealth Causes, 1836-1910**Scope and Content**

Box 2 contains Judgments, 1880-1910 and Commonwealth Causes, 1836-1910.

Barcode number 1176238: Judgment, 1840-1879

Scope and Content

Box 1 contains Judgments, 1840-1879.

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