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Descriptive Summary

Language

English

Collector

Wise County (Va.) Circuit Court.

Physical Characteristics

4 cubic feet (4 boxes)

Location

State Records Center

Repository

The Library of Virginia

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions.

Use Restrictions

There are no restrictions.

Acquisition Information

These items came to the Library of Virginia in a transfer of court records from Wise County under an undated accession.

Processing Information

Prior to 2025, the various organization records in this collection were originally described as individual records, but they have been consolidated into one large organization record for the locality. Since 2025, these records additionally include identified but not processed records.

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Adjunct Descriptive Data

Related Material

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

Historical Information

Context for Record Type: Organization Records, both volumes and loose records, are in some cases transferred to the Library of Virginia as components of court record transfers. These organization records in some cases were simply stored in the local court building for safe keeping by business owners. In other cases, organization records (particularly ledgers, account books, etc.) may have been filed in a court case as an exhibit. These organization record exhibits appeared both in chancery causes and in judgments, these records serving as exhibits for business dissolution cases, debt suits, and contract disputes.

Locality History: Wise County was named for Henry Alexander Wise, governor of Virginia from 1856 to 1860. It was formed in 1856 from Lee, Scott, and Russell Counties. Its area is 415.6 square miles, and the county seat is Wise.

Scope and Content

Wise County (Va.) Organization Records, circa 1850-1950, is comprised of various records created by groups in Northumberland County. Represented records largely consist of unprocessed loose records. These records typically consist of appointments of trustees, minutes, and miscellaneous records of religious organizations, fraternal organizations, independent associations, and cooperatives.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged into one series:

- Series I: Wise County (Va.) Organization Records, circa 1850-1950 [UNPROCESSED]

Contents List

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Includes boxes containing material identified as organization records. These records may be flat filed or foldered but not fully processed.

Barcode Number 1016257: Court Records, Land Records, Tax and Fiscal Records, Election Records, Bonds/Commissions/Oaths, Military and Pension Records, County Administrative Records, Organization Records, Marriage Records and Vital Statistics 1850-1950

Barcode Number 1016248: Court Records, Organization Records, County Administrative Records, Tax and Fiscal Records 1870-1910

Barcode number 1016250: Court Records, Tax and Fiscal Records, Election Records, School Records, Organization Records 1875-1915

Barcode number 1016270: School Records, Court Records, Organization Records, Business Records, Tax and Fiscal Records, County Administrative Records, Bonds/Commissions/Oaths, Fiduciary Records, Election Records, Miscellaneous Records circa 1903-1949