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Descriptive Summary

Language

English

Collector

Mecklenburg County (Va.) Circuit Court

Physical Characteristics

1 volume.

Location

State Record Center-Archives Annex, Library of Virginia

Repository

Library of Virginia

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions.

Use Restrictions

There are no restrictions.

Acquisition Information

These records came to the Library of Virginia in transfers of court papers from Mecklenburg County under an undated accession.

Processing Information

Prior to 2024, the various business records in this collection were originally described as individual records, but they have been consolidated into one large business record for the locality.

These records were processed by Greg Crawford in 2003.

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Related Material

Additional Mecklenburg 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

Context for Record Type: Business Records, both volumes and loose records, are in some cases transferred to the Library of Virginia as components of court record transfers. These business records in some cases were simply stored in the local court building for safe keeping by business owners. In other cases, business records (particularly ledgers, account books, etc.) may have been filed in a court case as an exhibit. These business 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: Mecklenburg County (Va.) was named for Charlotte of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, consort of King George III. It was formed from Lunenburg County in 1764. The county court first met on 11 March 1765. The county seat is Boydton.

Scope and Content

Mecklenburg County (Va.) Business Records, 1810-1814, is currently comprised of an account book created by William S. Davis.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged into one series:

- Series I: William S. Davis Account Book, 1810-1814

Contents List

Series I: William S. Davis Account Book 1810-1814

Extent

1 volume

Physical Location State Records Center

Scope and Content

Historical Information: William S. Davis was a physician who practiced in Mecklenburg County, Virginia, during the early 19th century.

Scope and Content: The account book, 1810-1814, of William S. Davis, a physician, recorded the accounts of individual customers. The accounts list charges and payments for visits to patients, medication, and other medical services such as extracting teeth, cauterizing cancerous tumours, assistance with pregnancies, and visits to ill enslaved people. Forms of payment include cash, credit, barter of items (cotton seed, whiskey, bacon) and labor (cutting wheat, work on chimney, knitting socks). The

volume also recorded transactions related to Davis' estate.

Barcode Number 1109464: William S. Davis' Account Book 1810-1814

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