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Biographical Information:

George Wythe was born in 1726 in Elizabeth City County, Va. He attended the College of William and Mary. Wythe studied law and was a member and clerk of the House of Burgesses. Member of Continental Congress. Signed Declaration of Independence. Speaker of House of Delegates. Judge of Virginia High Court of Chancery. Professor of Law and Police at William and Mary, 1779- 1790. Moved to Richmond where he died in 1806.

Scope and Contents

Copies of letters, 1781-1783, from George Wythe, Williamsburg, Va. , one to John Adams and another to Thomas Jefferson concerning the use of the College of William and Mary as a hospital. Also includes a magazine article about Wythe; newspaper copy of William Munford's oration at Wythe's funeral; correspondence, 1921, of Robert M. Hughes concerning a monument for Wythe's grave; a form book of Peter Tinsley, clerk of the High Court of Chancery which gives "Forms of Injunctions," Forms of Orders," "Certificates," "Processes," "Executions," "Rules of Court," "Bonds," and "Appeal," of chancery cases from the Richmond High Court (1779-1802); several engravings of Wythe and bills of complaints in lawsuits.

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Correspondence

Photographs

Speeches, addresses, etc.

Typescripts

Virginia--History--Colonial period, ca. 1600-1775

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Continental Congress

Declaration of Independence

House of Burgesses

Legal documents

United States--History--Revolution, 1775-1783

Universities and Colleges--Virginia--Faculty

Virginia. High Court of Chancery. Richmond District

College of William and Mary--Alumni and alumnae

Colonial Williamsburg Foundation
Marshall-Wythe School of Law
Virginia. High Court of Chancery
Adams, John, 1735-1826
Hughes, Robert M. (Robert Morton), b. 1855
Jefferson, Thomas, 1743-1826

Arrangement of Materials:

All accessions have been combined and filed together under Mss. 39.2 W99.

Description of Subordinate Components

Collection

Unit ID id131957

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255032

Mixed Materials Manuscripts Group 2 Box 36 (Box)

Container 1 (folder)

Thoughts on government...written in the year 1776 by the Vice President of the United States, then a member of congress, in a letter to the Hon. George Wythe.

Unit ID id131958

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255033

Unit Date Spetember 29 and October 2 1790

Scope and Contents

In the Gazette of the United States. 2 pieces.

Photostatic copy of a letter from George Wythe, at Williamsburg, to Thomas Jefferson

Unit ID id131959

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255034

Unit Date December 31 1781

Scope and Contents

1 piece.

Printed facsimile of a letter from George Wythe to J. Adams

Unit ID id131960

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255035

Unit Date December 5 1783

Scope and Contents

1 piece.

Typed extracts of letters from William Munford to John Coalter, mentioning George Wythe.

Unit ID id131961

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255036

Unit Date June 13 1790, April 23 and September 30 1791

Oration delivered by William Munford at the funeral of George Wythe

Unit ID id131962

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255037

Unit Date June 13 1806

Scope and Contents

In the Enquirer, Richmond, Va. Photostatic Copy. 1 piece.

Correspondence of Robert M. Hughes regarding the erection of a monument over the grave of George Wythe, and a photograph of the monument

Unit ID id131963

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255038

Unit Date 1921-1922

America's first professor of law

Unit ID id131964

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255039

Unit Date July 1926

Scope and Contents

In the Mentor, 1 piece.

Engravings and prints of George Wythe

Unit ID id131965

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255040

A printed sheet showing a portrait of George Wythe, a cut of the Wythe House at Williamsburg, the design of Wythe's book-plate, and the seal of Virginia

Unit ID id131966

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255041

A newspaper clipping concerning the proposed purchase of the residence of George Wythe at Williamsburg, Va.

Unit ID id131967

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255042

Unit Date February 27 1927

Scope and Contents

From the New York Times, 1 piece.

[Wythe, George]. Legal form book of Peter Tinsley, clerk of the High Court of Chancery

Unit ID id131969

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255043

Scope and Contents

Purchased from J. Presgraves, Nov. 1974

Bill of complaint in Orange County Court in case of Daniel Hart vs. Christopher Zimmerman, administrator of John Newport signed by George Wythe for the plaintiff.

Unit ID id131972

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255044

Unit Date February 1748

Scope and Contents

Debt concerns medicine and doctoral visits. DS. 1 item.

Bill of complaint in Orange County, Va. in the case of Anthony Strother v. Christopher Zimmerman, administrator of John Newport, signed by George Wythe for the plaintiff

Unit ID id131975

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255045

Unit Date [1748?]

Scope and Contents

Concerns debt of 6 pounds and eleven shillings owed by the estate of John Newport to Anthony Strother.

Bill of complaint in Orange County, Va., in the case of William Russel v. Thomas Dowde, signed by George Wythe for the plaintiff

Unit ID id131977

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/255046

Unit Date February 1747

Scope and Contents

Concerns a debt. Jury found for the defendant. Ph of DS. 2pp. (Original in the Marshall-Wythe Law Library)