Joseph Moore collection

2 linear feet; 1 half-manuscript box, 1 oversize box
1850-1867, 1904-1995, bulk 1904-1926

Edward H. Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History and Culture, Salisbury University, Salisbury, Maryland


Accession Number: 2007.046

Creator: Joseph Moore

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Separated Materials: Library materials have been transferred to the Nabb Research Center’s non-circulating collection.
Administrative History: Joseph Moore (b. 1942) was born and raised in Berlin, Maryland where he attended Worcester County schools and went on to attend Wesley College in Delaware where he received his Associate of Arts degree in 1962. Mr. Moore continued his education at University of Maryland, College Park and attended University of Maryland Law School where he received his Bachelor of Laws degree in 1968. Today, he is a partner at the law firm Williams, Moore, Shockley & Harrison LLP and is the author of Murder on Maryland’s Eastern Shore: Race, Politics and the Case of Orphan Jones.

Citation: Murder, He Wrote, About Joe, http://www.orphanjones.com/about.php

Scope and Content Note: The Joseph Moore collection documents the death and mourning of Edwin “Uncle Ned” Dirickson, a well-known resident of Berlin, Maryland. Correspondence from family and friends expressing sympathies as well as newspaper clippings from 1904 document the death. Also included are court records from the trial of Euel “Orphan Jones” Lee, who was convicted of murdering an Eastern Shore family in the 1930s. Records also include various sales and tax receipts from Berlin and Worcester County merchants and newspapers also from Worcester County.

Arrangement Statement: Folders are listed by their location in each box; any given subject may be dispersed throughout the entirety of the collection.
Subject Terms:

**General Terms**

Berlin, Md.
Lynching
Mourning
Worcester County, Md.

**Personal Names**

Dirickson, Anna B.
Dirickson, Edwin F. “Uncle Ned”
Dirickson, Harriett
Dirickson, Leven
Moore, Joseph
Lee, Euel “Orphan Jones”
Taylor, Miles
Box 1

1. Correspondence, To Edwin J. Dirickson Family, 1904
2-3. Correspondence To Dr. Edwin J. Dirickson, 1904
4. Correspondence, To Mrs. Anna B. Dirickson, 1904
5. Correspondence, To Miss Harriett Dirickson, 1904
6. Correspondence, To Mr. Levin & Mr. Cyrus Dirickson, 1904
7. News Clippings, Death of Mr. Edwin Foreman Dirickson, 1904
9. Personal Property Distribution, Smith Brewington, 1850 August 13
10. Photograph, German 3-Bay Barn and Family, 1890s
11. Post Cards, Salisbury, Md., 1910s
13. Photocopies, Court Records, Euel “Orphan Jones” Lee, 1931-1932
14. Correspondence, To Crowley Camera Co., From Richard Case, Ocean Downs Raceway, 1949 November 22

Box 2

1. Photocopies, Newspaper Worcester County Shield, 1855-1867
2. Newspaper, Berlin Advance, 1922 April 22 & May 5
3. Newspaper, Maryland Times, Commemorative Issue, 1995
4. Prints, Civil War Flags, 1991
5. Photograph print copies, Central Business Districts of Berlin, Salisbury, and Snow Hill, Maryland, n.d.

Library Materials

1. Periodical, Delmarva Peninsula Magazine, 1996 November – December