

PRIMARY SOURCES

Quarterly Report of Newly Processed Collections July–September 2010

Welcome to the latest issue of the Library of Virginia's quarterly report *Primary Sources*. Here you will find a listing of the latest collections processed, microfilmed, or digitized by the Library. Since 1999, the Library has annually received General Assembly support for archival positions in order "to relieve the 54-year backlog in processing significant archival, special, and other historical collections."

LOCAL RECORDS

The Local Records Services Branch is charged with preserving, cataloging, and providing access to the records that document the daily activities of Virginia's counties, towns, and independent cities. The branch administers the Circuit Court Records Preservation Program (CCRP), which provides grant funds to the Commonwealth's 120 circuit court clerks to help preserve the historically valuable records maintained in their offices and those that have been transferred to the Library of Virginia for archival processing and storage.

Since 2007, the Virginia Circuit Court Records Program (CCRP) has scanned and posted images of original Chancery Causes for 47 localities totaling over [5 million images](#). This quarter the Library added scanned Chancery Causes for Charlotte County totaling 137,304 images. For more information, including a complete listing of all chancery projects, see the [Chancery Records Index \(CRI\)](#). As part of the branch's microfilm reformatting effort, 93 reels of new film were added to the reading room this quarter for the following localities: the Cities of Richmond and Staunton and Accomack, Albemarle, Amherst, Arlington, Bland, Goochland, Norfolk, and Southampton Counties. For additional details and a complete guide to local records available at the Library of Virginia, please see [County and City Records at the Library of Virginia](#).

Charlotte County

Chancery Causes, 1765–1912 (bulk 1784–1912). ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Elizabeth City County

Commonwealth of Virginia vs. Virginia Christian, 1912. ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Coroner's Report related to the death of Ida V. Belote, 30 March 1912. ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Manchester (City)

Finance Committee Minute Books, 1878–1910. ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Maury Cemetery Committee Minute Books, 1907–1910. ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Police Court Records, 1866–1910. ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Regular Relief Roll of the Police Officers, 1877–1878. ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Norfolk County

Coroners' Inquests, 1766–1909. ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Prince Edward County

Petitions for Revolutionary War Pensions, 1832. ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Prince George County

Wills, 1795–1959 (bulk 1868–1959). ([Click here for finding aid](#))

PRIVATE PAPERS

The Private Papers section of the Description Services Branch at the Library of Virginia is charged with collecting records that supplement the official documents of the Commonwealth. These records include Bible Records, Business Records, Church Records, Genealogical Notes and Charts, Organization Records, and Personal Papers. They put a personal face on the activities of the citizens of the Commonwealth and provide a human touch to the records collected by Local and State Records.

Guide to the Personal Papers Collections at the Library of Virginia. Edited by Trenton E. Hizer. Richmond: The Library of Virginia, 2008.

The *Guide to the Personal Papers Collections at the Library of Virginia* contains entries for 5,730 personal papers collections. Ranging from diaries and correspondence to blogs and Web sites, these collections document more than 400 years of Virginia history. They offer an in-depth view of topics such as agriculture, economics, education, politics, society, travel, and war, and are essential in studying African American and women's history. The collections also contain deeds, wills, and other legal documents that may have otherwise been lost to fire or other disasters, along with photographs, postcards, scrapbooks, videos, and sound recordings. The Personal Papers Collections are invaluable resources for historians and genealogists. The *Guide to the Personal Papers Collections at the Library of Virginia* may be purchased at [The Virginia Shop](#) at the Library of Virginia.

Baugh, William Fielding. .4 cubic feet.

Papers, 1861–1905, of William Fielding Baugh of Company G, 61st Virginia Infantry, consisting of letters mainly to his wife, Mary Frances "Pinkie" Coker Baugh (b. 1842), and to his mother, Amanda Caroline Rose Baugh (b. ca. 1816), detailing Baugh's life as an officer in the 61st Virginia including descriptions of the Battles of Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Bristoe Station, and the Crater. Baugh records camp news, discusses family matters, and notes efforts to get leaves of absence. He comments on clothing, food, and supplies. Collection includes some letters written by family members to Baugh. Gift of Francis W. Baugh. (45019) ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Bloxom, Robert S. 36.2 cubic feet.

Papers, 1978–2003, of Robert S. Bloxom (b. 1937) of Mappsville, Accomack County, Virginia, who represented the 100th District in the Virginia House of Delegates from 1978 to 2003. Includes legislative files, issue files, agency files, county files, and reports and publications. Gift of Robert S. Bloxom, Mappsville. (40987) ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Frye, Henry Westfall. 2.475 cubic feet.

Papers, 1795–1935, of Henry Westfall Frye (1804–1896) of Hardy County, West Virginia. The bulk of the collection covers the years 1830 to 1860. Includes accounts and receipts, correspondence, day book, estate papers of Ann Littler (ca. 1796–1855), records of the Hardy and Winchester Turnpike Company, papers of Benjamin Moore (1768–1849), promissory notes, summonses, and tax records. Purchased. (45155) ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Leftwich Family. 5 leaves and 4 pages.

Papers, 1794–1838, of the Leftwich family of Bedford and Campbell Counties and Lynchburg, Virginia, consisting of a letter, 23 September 1794, concerning the 12th Brigade Virginia militia; a certificate, 10 January 1795, concerning the breeding of a horse; a circular letter, 24 February 1803, from Bedford County's delegates to the Virginia legislature; a printed letter, 15 March 1817, concerning vaccinations; a flyer, 5 March 1826, for a lottery; an invitation, 7 February 1832, to a Washington's birthday ball; and an announcement, 7 June 1838, for a horse race. Donor information unavailable. (44915)

Richmond Forum. 2.7 cubic feet.

Records, 1987–2010, of the Richmond Forum, Richmond, Virginia, consisting of programs for its annual speakers series and issues of its annual newsletter, *Podium*, announcing the Forum's speakers. Programs include schedules, speaker biographies, photographs, and advertising. Gift of the Richmond Forum, Richmond. (44400) ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Virginia State Reading Association. 13.95 cubic feet.

Records, 1967–2008, of the Virginia State Reading Association, consisting of agendas, budgets, bylaws, correspondence, directories, financial records, flyers, forms, journals, lists, minutes, newsletters, notes, pamphlets, programs, questionnaires, reports, rosters, and other papers concerning the operations and objectives of the organization promoting literacy in Virginia, working as a member council of the International Reading Association. Gift of the Virginia State Reading Association. (44849) ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Wilson, Wilmer, Jr. .6 cubic feet.

Papers, 1950–1980, of Wilmer Wilson, Jr. (1926–1981) of Richmond, Virginia, including certificates, correspondence, photographs, and ephemera. There are also records relating to his work with the Randolph Planning Study Board, a neighborhood rehabilitation group affiliated with the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

Gift of Nadja Gutowski, Richmond. (42008)

STATE RECORDS

The State Records section of the Description Services Branch at the Library of Virginia is charged with preserving, cataloging, and providing access to the records of Virginia's state government.

Environmental Quality, Dept. of.

Environmental Impact Statements, 1976–2004, 15 cu. ft., Accession 45114.

[\(Click here for finding aid\)](#)

Commonwealth, Secretary of the.

Virginia Secretary of the Commonwealth correspondence, 1891–1911,

12.35 cu. ft., Accession 38174. [\(Click here for finding aid\)](#)

Governor, Office of.

James L. Kemper.

Executive Papers of James L. Kemper, 1874–1878, 1.8 cu. ft., Accession 43755. [\(Click here for finding aid\)](#)

Frederick W. M. Holliday.

Executive Papers of Frederick W. M. Holliday, 1878–1882, 20 items, Accession 45053. [\(Click here for finding aid\)](#)

William E. Cameron.

Executive Papers of William E. Cameron, 1882–1886, 27 items, Accession 45054. [\(Click here for finding aid\)](#)

Fitzhugh Lee.

Executive Papers of Fitzhugh Lee, 1886–1890, 0.45 cu. ft., Accession 45054. [\(Click here for finding aid\)](#)

Tim Kaine.

Records of the Executive Office – Counselor's Office, 2001–2009 (bulk 2006–2009), 11.55 cu. ft., Accession 44689. [\(Click here for finding aid\)](#)

Historic Resources, Dept. of.

Deeds of Easement, 1969–2010, 4.5 cu. ft., Multiple Accessions. [\(Click here for finding aid\)](#)

Library of Virginia.

Office of the State Librarian, Library Board Correspondence and Subject Files, 1964–2009, 3.5 cu. ft., Accession 45050. [\(Click here for finding aid\)](#)

Virginia State Library.

Annual Reports of the Archives Division, 1915–1976, 1.92 cu. ft.,
Accession 45034. ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Office of the State Archivist, Records of William J. Van Schreeven as Program
Chairman of the Society of American Archivists, 1938–1952, 0.6 cu. ft.,
Accession 45086. ([Click here for finding aid](#))

Office of the State Archivist, Records of William J. Van Schreeven as Chairman
of the Protective Committee of the Virginia Library Association, 1940–1953, 0.23
cu. ft., Accession 45101. ([Click here for finding aid](#))