

Guide to the Mobile Bar Association Records

Descriptive Summary:

Creator: Past presidents of the Mobile Bar Association

Title: Mobile Bar Association Records

Dates: 1854-2006 (bulk 1932-2006)

Quantity: 16 linear feet

Abstract: Bulletins, by-laws, committee reports, constitution, correspondence, financial documents, membership lists, minutes, notes, scrapbooks.

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Organizational History:

The Mobile Bar Association, the fourteenth oldest such association in the United States, was incorporated on April 12, 1869. It is the oldest bar association in the state of Alabama. The Women's Auxiliary to the Mobile Bar Association was founded in 1956.

Scope and Contents:

Includes bulletins, by-laws, committee reports, constitution, correspondence, financial documents, membership lists, minutes, notes, scrapbooks, etc., related to the Mobile Bar Association and the Mobile Bar Auxiliary. Contained within the Mobile Bay Auxiliary scrapbooks are news bulletins, clippings, invitations, a list of charter members, and photographs. Included in the photographs are images showing renovations to the Dr. Henry S. Levert house and the dedication of the house as the official headquarters of the bar association. Among the issues discussed in the bar association records are: change to the city's form of government, continuing legal education, indigent representation, Law Day, legal aid, the Mobile Hospital Board, political contributions, and zoning. Correspondents include Winston F. Groom, father of the novelist; John McDuffie; Francis H. Inge; and many of the other attorneys who have practiced in Mobile since 1932.

Arrangement:

Arranged into 2 series: 1. Mobile Bar Association (1854-2006 [Bulk 1932-2006]), and 2. Mobile Bar Auxiliary (1956-2002 [Bulk 1956-1995]). Series 1 is arranged chronologically by presidential term, and Series 2 is arranged chronologically.

Access Restrictions:

This material is open to research.

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Content List:

The persons listed below were presidents of the association that year (e. g., David Edington was president of the bar in 1931).

Box 1

1. 1854, 1917 (Only 2 documents)
2. 1931 – David H. Edington
3. 1932 – David H. Edington / Nicholas E. Stallworth
4. 1933 – Nicholas E. Stallworth
5. 1934 – Nicholas E. Stallworth
6. 1935 – Benjamin D. Turner III
7. 1936 – Robert H. Smith
8. 1937 – Robert H. Smith
9. Miscellaneous material, n.d.

Box 2

1. 1938 – William G. Caffey
2. 1939 – Francis H. Inge
3. 1940 – Vernol R. Jansen
4. 1941 – D. R. Coley Jr.

5. 1942 – Ralph G. Holberg Jr.
6. 1943 – C. M. A. Rogers
7. 1944 – Charles C. Hand
8. 1945 – Marion R. Vickers
9. 1946 – Vincent F. Kilborn

Box 3

1. 1947 – Palmer Pillans
2. 1948 – Rosa Gerhardt
3. 1949 – Robert F. Adams
4. 1950 – Lyman F. Holland
5. 1951 – Doris Van Aller

Box 4

1. 1952 – Thomas E. Twitty
2. 1953 – Dan T. McCall Jr.

Box 5

1. 1954 – William H. Armbrrecht Jr.
2. 1954 – Fee bill revision
3. 1954 – Junior Bar Section

Box 6

1955 – J. Edward Thornton

1. January-May
2. June-December
3. n.d.

Box 7

1956 – C. A. L. Johnstone

1. January-December
2. n.d.

1957 – Joseph C. Sullivan

3. January-December
4. n.d.

Box 8

1958 – Harry Seale

1. January-July
2. August-December
3. n.d.

1959 – Sam W. Pipes III

4. January-June
5. July-December

Box 9

1960 – T. Massey Bedsole

1. January-February
2. March-April
3. May-December

1961 – George F. Wood

1. January-February
2. March-April
3. May-August
4. September-December
5. n.d.

Box 10

1962 – Alvin McConnell

1. January-May
2. June-December

Box 11

1. 1963 – Thomas A. Johnston III
2. 1964 – Robert T. Cunningham
3. 1965 – Robert P. Denniston
4. 1966 – Jack C. Gallalee

Box 12

1. 1967 – James L. May
2. 1968 – Thomas Greaves Jr.
3. 1969 – Arthur J. Kearley

Box 13

1. 1970 – W. Dewitt Reams
2. 1971 – Charles Hoffman
3. 1972 – George E. Stone Jr.
4. 1973 – Alex T. Howard
5. 1974 – Nicholas S. McGowin
6. 1975 – Erling Riis Jr.
7. 1976 – Charles B. Arendall Jr.
8. 1977 – Herndon Inge Jr.
9. 1978 – Ross Diamond Jr. / Albert J. Tully

Box 14

1979 – Albert J. Tully

1. January-June
2. July-December
3. Law Day
4. Legal Services Corporation Subcommittee, 1978-1979
5. Membership journal

Box 15

1980 – Harry H. Riddick

1. January-May
2. June-December
3. Committee to Study Feasibility of Adm. Asst.

1981 – W. Boyd Reeves

1. January-May
2. June-December

Box 16

1982 – Mylan R. Engel

1. January-May
2. June-December

1983 – James J. Duffy Jr.

1. January-May
2. June-December

1984 – G. Sage Lyons

1. January-April
2. May-December

Box 17

1985 – Ben H. Kilborn

1. January-July
2. August-December

1986 – Mitchell G. Lattof

Box 18

1987 – Marshall J. DeMouy

1. January-May
2. June-December

1988 – Samuel L. Stockman

1. January-May
2. June-September
3. October-December

Box 19

1988 – Samuel S. Stockman

1. Political contributions by attorneys to judicial candidates

Box 20

1989 – William H. McDermott

1. January-April
2. May-August
3. September-December
4. Law Day

Box 21

1990 – Richard W. Vollmer / George W. Finkbohner Jr.

1. January-May
2. Law Day
3. June-October
4. November-December

Box 22

1991 – Champ Lyons Jr.

1. January-May
2. June-December
3. Law Day

Box 23

1992 – Jerry A. McDowell

1. January-May
2. June-December
3. Law Day

1993 – Thomas E. Bryant Jr.

1. January-May
2. June-December
3. Law Day

Box 24

1994 – D. Richard Bounds

1. January-May
2. June-December
3. Law Day

1995 – Alton R. Brown Jr.

1. January-May
2. June-December
3. Law Day

Box 25

1996 – William A. Kimbrough Jr.

1. January-June
2. July-December
3. Law Day

1997 – Cooper C. Thurber

1. January-May
2. June-December
3. Law Day

Box 26

1998 – Stova F. McFadden

1. January-May
2. June-December
3. Law Day

1999 – Fred W. Killion Jr.

1. January-May
2. June-December
3. Law Day

Box 27

2000 – Alex F. Lankford III

1. January-June
2. July-December
3. Law Day

Box 28

2001 – Larry U. Sims

1. January-December
2. Law Day

2002 – Donald M. Briskman

1. January-December
2. Law Day

Box 29

2003 – Michael D. Knight

1. January-December
2. Law Day

2004 – James A. Yance

1. January-December
2. Law Day

2005 – Beth McFadden Rouse

1. January-December
2. Law Day

2006 – Benjamin T. Rowe

1. January-December
2. Law Day

Mobile Bar Auxiliary**Box 30**

1. 1957
2. 1959
3. 1960
4. 1961
5. 1966
6. 1967
7. 1968
8. 1969
9. 1970
10. 1971
11. 1972
12. 1973
13. 1974
14. 1975
15. 1976

16. 1977
17. 1978
18. 1979
19. 1980

Box 31

Bookkeeping ledger – May 14, 1980-January 13, 1988
Bookkeeping ledger – September 22, 1983-1989

1. 1981
2. 1982
3. 1983

Box 32

Treasurer's Reports – 1964-1986 (binder)

1. 1984
2. 1986
3. 1987
4. 1988
5. 1989
6. 1990
7. 1991

Box 33

1. 1992
2. 1993
3. 1994
4. 1995
5. 1996
6. 1997
7. 1999
8. 2001
9. 2002

Box 34

Scrapbooks

- 1956-1970
- 1970-1971
- 1978-1981
- 1981-1982