

Collection Summary

Title

Ralph Preston collection

Date

2005-2015

Extent

2 boxes

Name and Location of Repository

Midwest Genealogy Center, Independence (Mo.)

Reference code: MGC 1063-RPC

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Name of Creator

Preston, Ralph

Biographical History

Ralph Preston began work on his genealogy and family history in the 1990s. His work started at the Genealogy branch of the Mid-Continent Public Library system; then located at the North Independence branch. The focus of his work is on his Preston ancestors and his wife's, Joyce Crichton, ancestors. Preston discovered many connections between the two sets of ancestors during his research. This collection is a culmination of the many years of research and work that went into discovering these families' history.

Scope and Content

This collection consists of genealogy and family history compiled by Ralph Preston. Major surnames found within this collection are Preston, Crichton, Wells, Bryant, and Smith. Other surnames can be found in the index of surnames in Series I. In addition there are many pieces of artwork consisting of coats of arms for various surnames.

Collection Inventory

System of Arrangement

These records are arranged in 3 series.

Series 1, Crichton and Preston Families Heraldry

Item 1, Index of surnames

Item 2, Volume I

Item 3, Volume II

Series 2, Family Group Charts

Folder 1, Preston Family

Folder 2, Crichton Family

Folder 3, Smith Family

Folder 4, George Smith descendancy chart

Folder 5, Rockwood family

Folder 6, Minnis family

Series 3, Six Generation Pedigree Charts

Item 1, Preston Family and related families

Item 2, Crichton Family and related families

Item 3, Wells Family and related families

Item 4, Bryant Family

Item 5, Smith Family

Rights and Access

Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open for research use by appointment.

Physical Access

Records within this collection are housed within archival boxes.

Conditions Governing Reproduction and Use

Permission to publish, quote, or reproduce must be secured from the Midwest Genealogy Center.

Languages and Scripts of the Material

Materials in the collection are entirely in English.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

This collection was donated by Ralph Preston.

Accruals

No further accruals are expected for this collection.

Existence and Location of Originals

Originals owned by the Midwest Genealogy Center.