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# WINTHROP UNIVERSITY LOUISE PETTUS ARCHIVES & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

### MANUSCRIPT COLLECTION

# **ACCESSION 568**

# **ROBERT WITHERSPOON HEMPHILL PAPERS**

1826-1981

4 boxes, 14 folders

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#### **ROBERT WITHERSPOON HEMPHILL PAPERS**

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The Robert Witherspoon Hemphill Papers were deposited with the Archives on February 1984 by Carolyn Etheridge Hemphill.

Linear feet of shelf space occupied: 1.0 Approximate number of pieces included: 2000

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Scope and Content Note: **Robert Witherspoon Hemphill (1915-1983) was a lawyer, judge, civic** leader, US Army Air Corp Veteran of World War II, and member of the South Carolina and the United States House of Representatives from Chester, South Carolina. The Robert W. Hemphill Papers includes includes speeches, correspondence, photographs, and newspaper clippings, relating to Hemphill's personal and family affairs. There is also research materials on Aaron Burr, information relating to the Presbyterian Church, and Winnsboro Granite Corporation. Also included are diplomas for Hamilton G. Witherspoon and Robert Witherspoon, financial statements from attorneys concerning wills and the money to be received from them, and there is a letter from the War Department concerning John McClure Hemphill Jr.'s death during World War II and payments to be made to his beneficiary.

Transfer of Items: None

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#### **BIOGRAPHICAL DATA**

#### **ROBERT WITHERSPOON HEMPHILL**

- 1915 Born May 10, in Chester, South Carolina
- 1932 Graduated from Chester High School
- 1936 Received B.A. degree USC
- 1938Receive LL.B degree USC
- 1938 Admitted to S.C. Bar
- 1938-1964 Practiced law Hemphill & Hemphill
- 1940-1945 Served with USAAF
- 1942 June 20, married Isabelle Anderson
- 1947-1948 Member-S.C. House of Representatives
- 1951-1956 Solicitor 6<sup>th</sup> S.C. Judicial Circuit
- 1957-1964 Member-US House of Representatives
- 1964-1965 Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of South Carolina
- 1965-1980 Judge of the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina
- 1980-1983 Senior Judge of the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina
- 1969 Recipient Algernon Sidney Sullivan Award- USC
- 1973 Judicial Award of Merit American Trial Lawyers Association
- 1976 Public Service Award American Legion
- 1983Died December 25

# III

# **DESCRIPTION OF SERIES**

Box(e	s) <u>Fold</u>	<u>er(s)</u> <u>Series</u>	Year(s)
1	1	CORRESPONDENCE Consists of letters and cards (birthday, mother's day, and postcards). Arranged chronologically.	1936-1975, nd
1	2-3	SPEECHES AND PRESENTATIONS Consists of speeches given to various groups and organizations. Arranged chronologically.	1951-1980, nd
2	4	LEGAL PAPERS Consists of Registrations of copyright claims, one deed dated May 16, 1826, and copies of "The Transcript" (a periodical in which Hemphill's work is contained). Arranged chronologically.	1826-1979
2	5	FINANCIAL PAPERS Consists of bank statements, letters from the U.S. Army Finance Office concerning payment of a 6 month gratuity following son's death, and receipts. Arranged chronologically.	1914-1965, nd
2-3	6-7	RESEARCH ON AARON BURR Consists of material photocopied from books and magazines and also letters concerning location of other research materials. Arranged chronologically.	1960-1977, nd
3	8	DIPLOMAS Consists of two diplomas from S.C. College (USC) and one from Washington College which is located in Virginia. Also contains a diploma from the U.S. army for the completion of a course required to be an airplane pilot. Arranged chronologically.	1846-1942
3	9-10	INFORMATION RELATING TO THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Consists of programs from church service and booklets concerning the Presbyterian church. Arranged chronologically.	1861-1976, nd
4	11-12	NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS Consists of clippings concerning Robert W. Hemphill and his family. Arranged chronologically.	1936-1974, nd
4	13	PHOTOGRAPHS Consists of a photograph of Robert W. Hemphill and his brother, a photograph of Hemphill and his family and various other photographs. Arranged chronologically.	1941-1974, nd

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# **DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (cont.)**

Box(	Year(s)		
4	14	MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS Consists of maps, a city directory for Chester, S.C., a copy of the <i>Congressional Quarterly</i> , and a menu from the U.S. Senate Restaurant. Arranged chronologically.	1940-1981, nd
		SCRAPBOOK Consists of newspaper clippings, telegrams, and programs from various events. No arrangement.	1956, nd