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**GRISSIM FAMILY PAPERS
1813-1905**

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INTRODUCTION

The Grissim Family Papers, 1813-1905, were donated by Dr. T.R. Puryear, Lebanon, Tennessee, and was collected by Nina Mai Grissim Puryear (1890-1962). The collection consists of 300 items and occupies .42 cubic feet of shelf space. The collection has no restrictions.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Grissim Family Papers, 1813-1905, contains approximately 300 items that spans from the years 1813-1905, although the bulk is largely concentrated in the years of 1825-1865. The collection revolves around the Grissim Family of Smith County, Tennessee and other related families, which include Samuel Northern, George Hodge, and James Cartwright. The papers consists of receipts, statements, bills of sale, voter registration, deeds, slave bill of sales, deeds prior to the Civil War, promissory notes, indentures, rent agreements, horse pedigree chart, tuition payments, various notes, and correspondence.

CONTAINER LIST

Box 1

1. Certificates---Pedigree of horse---Madge Wildlife, n.d.
2. Correspondence---Allison, Jas. G.-Wilson, L. B., 1835-1898
3. Court records---Affidavit, 1829. Wm. Bradley as overseer of roads, 1844
4. Estate papers---Nancy Hodge to Samuel Northern, 1863
5. Financial documents---Promissory notes, 1819-1889. Daily report of J. M. Grissim paper money, Bank of Tennessee, 1861
6. Land records---Agreements, 1881-1900
7. Land records---Deeds, 1817-1941
8. Legal documents---Agreements, 1825-1928
9. Legal documents---Will, Thos. Jones, 1825; Performance bond, 1835; Bill of sales, 1839-1861; Voter registration, 1869; Quitclaim for James A. Cartwright, 1878; Bill of complaint, 1880; Power of attorney, James A. Cartwright, 1881; Constable bond, 1888; Tax assessment for Smith County, Roane, Tennessee, 1894; Insurance policies, J. G. Grissim and Margie Moore, 1913-1915
10. Military records---Military pass, 1864; Confederate accounts, Samuel Northern, 1864
11. Notices---Public notices, 1829, 1870
12. Printed materials---Circular, 1917
13. Receipts, 1829-1921
14. Slavery---Bill of sales, 1819-1860