

Joseph Galloway Family Papers
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Collection Summary

Title: Joseph Galloway Family Papers

Inclusive Dates: 1743-1823

ID No.: MSS21840

Creator: Galloway, Joseph, 1731-1803

Extent: 260 items

Extent: 1 container

Extent: .4 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: Chiefly family correspondence of Joseph Galloway, his wife, Grace Growden Galloway, their daughter, Elizabeth, and Grace Galloway's brother, Thomas Nickelson, of Dorset, England. Includes letters of Grace describing her trials as a Loyalist wife during the American Revolution.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Galloway family.

Galloway, Elizabeth, approximately 1754- --Correspondence.

Galloway, Grace Growden, -1789--Correspondence.

Galloway, Joseph, 1731-1803.

Nickelson, Thomas--Correspondence.

Organizations

Pennsylvania. General Assembly.

United States. Continental Congress.

Subjects

American loyalists.

Places

United States--History--Revolution, 1775-1783.

Occupations

Legislators--Pennsylvania.

Acquisition Information

The papers of the Joseph Galloway family were purchased by the Library of Congress, 1968-1983.

Processing History

The collection was arranged and described by Paul Sifton in 1972 and expanded by David Matheson in 1985. The finding aid was revised in 2009. The finding aid was updated in 2023 by Maria Farmer as part of a division-wide remediation project by the Inclusive Description Working Group.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of the Joseph Galloway family is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of the Galloway family are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Joseph Galloway Family Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of the Joseph Galloway family span the years 1743-1823 and consist chiefly of the family correspondence of Galloway, his wife, Grace Growden Galloway, their daughter, Elizabeth, and Grace Galloway's brother, Thomas Nickelson, of Dorset, England. Included are a travel notebook of William Roberts and letters of Galloway to his wife, verses written and collected by Grace Galloway, together with letters describing her trials as a Loyalist wife during the American Revolution, and correspondence of Elizabeth with English friends.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is organized by name of person or type of material.

Container List

Container	Contents
BOX 1	Grace Growden Galloway (wife)
BOX 1	Letters to husband and daughter, 1778-1781
BOX 1	Verses, undated
BOX 1	Elizabeth Galloway (daughter), correspondence to mother and others, 1778-1823
BOX 1	Joseph Galloway
BOX 1	Correspondence to Thomas Nickelson, 1774-1779
BOX 1	Correspondence to Grace Growden Galloway (wife), 1776-1781
BOX 1	Letter to Myers Fisher, 1792
BOX 1	Travel notebook of William Roberts, 1770-1808
BOX 1	Printed matter, biographical file