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RECORD GROUP 164

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Record Groups 164, Tennessee Supreme Court Trial Dockets, 1817-1936, consist of the trial dockets for the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Court of Chancery Appeals and Court of Civil Appeals. There are approximately 496 dockets in the collection

The Supreme Court for the State of Tennessee was established by constitutional provision in 1796. The court functioned without interruption and with few administrative changes until the Civil War (1861-1865). The Court was suspended during the war and was reinstated in 1867. Due to the suspension, the backlog of cases resulted in a change to the Court in 1870. That year six judges were elected to serve on the court, but any vacancy occurring after 1873 would not be filled. The court remained a six member court until the death of Judge Nicholson in 1876 and has thereafter remained a five judge court.

Also in 1873 it was determined to create temporary courts of limited powers in an attempt to reduce the number of cases in arrears. The first of these was the Arbitration Court for Middle Tennessee. The court ended by limitation in September of that year.

The experiment worked very well. The limited courts were again implemented in 1875 and 1877. In 1883 a Court of Referees was created and was composed of nine judges, three from each grand division. This court was authorized to report in writing in the facts and the law of cases filed before January, 1885.

Due to the steady increase in cases, it became necessary to enlarge the Supreme Court system. In 1895 the Court of Chancery Appeals was created. Composed of three members from each grand division, the court heard cases assigned to it by the Supreme Court, with the exception of revenue cases.

The Court of Appeals and the Court of Civil Appeals are intermediate appellate courts established by the General Assembly to hear cases of a civil nature from lower courts.

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280	William L. Cook	1930
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282	Collin P. McKinney	1930
283	W. H. Swiggart	1930
284	Alex W. Chambliss	1930
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295	Grafton Green	1933
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297	W. H. Swiggart	1933
298	Alex W. Chambliss	1933
299	William L. Cook	1933
300	D. W. Dehaven	1933
301	Grafton Green	1934
302	Collin P. McKinney	1934
303	Alex W. Chambliss	1935
304	William L. Cook	1935
305	D. W. Dehaven	1935
306	Grafton Green	1935
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14	Walter W. Faw	1927
15	Clerk's Docket	1927
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18	John H. Dewitt	1928
19	Walter W. Faw	1928
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32	John H. Dewitt	1932
33	Walter W. Faw	1932
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35	John H. Dewitt	1933
36	Walter W. Faw	1933
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38	John H. Dewitt	1934
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88	Sid R. Clark	1920
89	Walter W. Faw	1920
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91	R. H. Sansom	1920
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95	Sid R. Clark	1921
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119	William A. Owen	1924