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**Manuscript Group 28  
Civil and Criminal Dockets**

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**Collection of Civil and Criminal Dockets, Manuscript Group 28**  
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**18 volumes; 6 linear feet**

**Historical Note**

The first court in Indiana County was established as the Tenth Judicial District by an act of February 24, 1806. Judge John Young was commissioned as the first judge. The first court was held on the second floor of Peter Sutton's Hotel on Philadelphia Street. The creation of the first courthouse was begun in 1807 and completed in 1809 at the corner of Philadelphia and Sixth Streets. This courthouse was deemed inadequate by 1868 and it was demolished in that year. Construction of a new courthouse began the following year and it was completed in 1870. The court was moved into a new building just a few blocks away in 1970 and currently remains in that building.

**Scope and Content**

The Civil and Criminal Dockets consist of 18 bound docket books from Indiana County's Magistrates Office wrapped in acid-free paper, dating from 1909 to 1955.

**Provenance**

Unknown.

**Restrictions**

None

**Processor**

Papers rearranged and inventory rewritten by Special Collections.

**Container List**

1. Civil and Criminal Docket, 1909-1924
2. Criminal Docket 1, 1927-1929
3. Criminal Docket 3, 1931-1932
4. Criminal Docket 4, 1932-1934
5. Criminal Docket 5, 1934-1937
6. Criminal Docket 6, 1937-1938
7. Criminal Docket 7, 1938-1940
8. Criminal Docket 9, 1942-1943
9. Criminal Docket 10, 1944-1945
10. Criminal Docket 11, 1946-1947
11. Criminal Docket 12, 1947-1948
12. Criminal Docket 13, 1948-1949
13. Criminal Docket 14, 1949-1950
14. Criminal Docket 15, 1951-1952
15. Criminal Docket, 1944-1948
16. Criminal Docket, 1949-1953
17. Criminal Docket, 1953-1955
18. Justice of the Peace Docket, Walter H. Jackson, 1921-1931