

**TITLE:** William Julian papers

**DATE RANGE:** 1894-1945

**CALL NUMBER:** MS 0397

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 11 linear feet (14 boxes and 17 wrapped ledgers)

**PROVENANCE:** Donated through the William Julian estate by Agnes Clark Timberman in 1979 with a later contribution by Helen Clark Gorton in 1986.

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**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:** William A. Julian was born in Sweet Vengeance, California on September 10, 1865. At the age of 10 he moved with his father to San Diego to enter the plumbing and metal business. He came to Tucson in 1899 and opened the W.A. Julian Company, a plumbing and general merchandise business, with his brother, George. Through business expansion, the Julian Company eventually controlled 85% of the plumbing, heating, and roofing business in Tucson. Julian sold the company to J. Knox Corbett Lumber and Hardware in 1919 and retired from business activities. Julian served as member of the Tucson Chamber of Commerce and later was elected chairman in 1928.

From his position as chairman of the Tucson Chamber of Commerce, he ran for election as mayor of the city in 1928 as a Republican. He served as mayor for one term until 1931. Appointed to the Arizona Fish and Game Commission in 1931 by Governor G.W.P. Hunt, he later refused to serve in the position. Julian served on the executive board for the Tucson Rodeo committee and was a lifelong supporter of hunting and trap shooting. He was one of the organizers of the Tucson Gun Club. He was an active member of the Elks Lodge, supporter and fundraiser for the Elks Hospital, and other fraternal organizations. Julian started investing in real estate and commercial businesses in the Tucson area within one year of his arrival in the city. At the time of his death on July 25, 1941, Julian was a 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree Mason and an Odd Fellow.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:** The records contained in this collection concern the business dealings of William A. Julian and the Julian Plumbing Company between 1894 and 1945. A few personal items of correspondence are also contained in the business folders, such as holiday cards, Western Union messages, and personal letters from family and friends.

The records have been divided into four series: Business and personal correspondence; Incoming business correspondence with suppliers; Business records, deeds, contracts and legal statements; and Wrapped ledger account books

Series I: Business and personal correspondence contains a stock certificate to Twin Butte Mining & Smelting Company, as well as tax and real estate information covering the period Julian lived in San Diego. A copy of the 1897 Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society of Tucson as well as correspondence association with real estate purchased in Tucson are present. Some correspondence association with the period when Julian served as mayor of Tucson from 1929-1931 reflects both official and personal items for interest. In addition, one folder related to correspondence with the United Moderns/Grand Fraternity of Philadelphia, PA (an insurance fraternity). Documents indicate that Julian was a local official (possibly secretary) for the chapter in Tucson during the 1904 period.

Series II: Incoming business correspondence with suppliers contains correspondence received by the Julian Company on supplies in plumbing and general merchandise between 1904 and 1908. Documents are arranged chronologically into 8 folders. Documents relate to invoices, orders received at the Julian Company, and price and product information. Business receipts and invoices for 4 distributors are contained in five separate folders. These individual companies are L.M. Rumsey MFG Co.; Holbook, Merrill & Stetson; Parmalee & Dohrmann Co.; and Geo. F. Bassach & Co.

Series III: Business recordings, deeds, contracts and legal statements, contain the most financial information association with William Julian and the Julian Company. Business balance sheets with assets and liabilities are provided for periods between 1901 and 1927 along with mining/stock certificates and real estate sales/deed listing. Eight stock books from the Dos Cabezas Mining Corp. and the Arizona Consolidated Stage and Livery Co. provide the researcher examples of stock certificates (possibly sold by Julian). The remainder of the boxes in the collection contain bound volumes related to ledgers and accounts and letter copying books for various periods from 1902 to 1910.

Series IV: Wrapped ledger and account books consist of 17 bound volumes of oversized account ledger and records for periods 1897 to 1923. Some volumes have minimum information or no visible dates associated with entries.

**CONTAINER LIST:**

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>1</b>		<b>Series I: Business and Personal Correspondence</b>	
	1	Business and Personal Correspondence	1895-1915
	2	Business and Personal Correspondence	1916-1920
	3	Business and Personal Correspondence	1921-1928
	4	Business and Personal Correspondence	1929-1930
<b>2</b>	5	Business and Personal Correspondence	1931-1935
	6	Business and Personal Correspondence	1936-1937
	7	Business and Personal Correspondence	1938-1945
<b>3</b>	8	Business and Personal Correspondence – Grand Fraternity/United Moderns	1902-1908

		<b>Series II: Incoming Business Correspondence with Suppliers</b>	
	9	Business Correspondence	1904-May 1905
	10	Business Correspondence	June-December 1905
	11	Business Correspondence	January-August 1907
	12	Business Correspondence	September 1907
<b>4</b>	13	Business Correspondence	October-December 1907
	14	Business Correspondence	January-May 1908
	15	Business Correspondence	June-July 1908
	16	Business Correspondence	August-December 1908
	17	Business Receipts/Orders – L.M. Rumsey MFG Co.	1900-1907
<b>5</b>	18	Business Receipts/Orders – Holbrook, Merrill & Stetson	1900-1902
	19	Business Receipts/Orders – Holbrook, Merrill & Stetson	1903-1907
	20	Business Receipts/Orders – Parmalee & Dohrmann Co.	1900-1907
	21	Business Receipts/Orders – Geo. F. Bassch & Co.	1900-1907
<b>6</b>		<b>Series III: Business Recordings, Deeds, Contracts and Legal Statements</b>	
	22	Business Real Estate Abstracts and Titles	1874-1926
	23	Mine and Stock Certificates	undated
	24	Business Balance Recordings	1901-1920
	25	Business Real Estate Sales/Deeds	1894-1927
	26	Business Real Estate Sales/Deeds	1928-1941
<b>7</b>		Dos Cabezas Mining Corp. Stock Book	1917
		Dos Cabezas Mining Corp. Stock Book	1917
		Dos Cabezas Mining Corp. Stock Book	1917
		Dos Cabezas Mining Corp. Stock Book	1917
		Dos Cabezas Mining Corp. Stock Book	1918
		Dos Cabezas Mining Corp. Stock Book	1918
		Dos Cabezas Mining Corp. Stock Book	1918
		Arizona Consolidated Stage and Livery Co. Stock Book	1892
		“Order Book”	1932
		“Price Book”	1892/1932-1940
		“Business Year Book”	1932-1940
		Day Book (few entries)	undated

		<i>Tucsonian</i> Tucson High School Yearbook	1914
		Penmanship Book	undated
<b>8</b>		Index Listing of Names and Companies	1904-1906
		Account Book	May 1903- February 1904
		“Cash Book”	January- December 1905
		“Day Book”	February 1907- February 1909
		Account Book	August 1902- July 1903
<b>9</b>		“Day Book”	September 1903-
		Letter Copying Book	April 1907- February 1908
		Letter Copying Book	February-August 1908
		Journal, Contracts/Account Book	May 1900-May 1907
<b>10</b>		Letter Copying Book	February 1895- November 1899
		Accounts Contract Book	1907
		Accounts Contract Book	1907-1908
		Letter Copying Book	November 1900- March 1903
<b>11</b>		Accounts Contract Book	1907-1910
		Accounts Contract Book	1907
		Letter Copying Book	January 1906- April 1907
		Pocket Account Book	June 1903-May 1904
		Letter Copying Book	March- November 1903
<b>12</b>		“Day Book”	February 1902- April 1903
		Letter Copying Book	December 1903- December 1905
<b>13</b>		Accounts Journal Book	January-October 1910
		Accounts Journal Book	July 1903-1906
<b>14</b>		“Cash Book”	January-August 1903
		Accounts Contract Book	1903-1904
		“Transfer Ledger”	undated
		“Cash Book”	March 1909- January 1910

		<b>Series IV: Wrapped Ledgers and Account Books</b>	
	L. 1	Trial Balances Account Records	1906
	L. 2	Trial Balances Account Records	1906
	L. 3	Trial Balances Account Records	1907
	L. 4	Trial Balances Account Records	1909
	L. 5	Trial Balances Account Records	1910
	L. 6	Trial Balances Account Records	1911
	L. 7	Trial Balances Account Records	1908
	L. 8	Trial Balances Account Records	December 31, 1903
	L. 9	Trial Balances Account Records	1912
	L. 10	“Records”	1923
	L. 11	Accounts Ledger	1844-1875
	L. 12	Accounts Ledger	1897-1898
	L. 13	Accounts Ledger	1902-1903
	L. 14	Accounts Ledger	1900-1902
	L. 15	Accounts Ledger	1897-1900
	L. 16	Accounts Ledger	1918
	L. 17	Accounts Ledger	1900