



TITLE: John P. Zimmerman collection

DATE RANGE: 1875-1934 (bulk 1879-1894)

CALL NUMBER: MS 1497

LOCATION: Arizona History Museum, 949 E Second St, Tucson, AZ 85719.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: .25 linear feet (1 box)

PROVENANCE: Donated by Frederica Z. Yamin and William S. Ziv, 2003.

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CITATION: Arizona Historical Society, John P. Zimmerman Collection, MS 1497

PROCESSED BY: Collection was formerly in the small manuscripts collection under SMS 73. Tory Bellavance reprocessed the collection in 2018.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: At 17, John (Jean) P. Zimmerman (1846-1894) enlisted in the 54th Ohio Volunteer Infantry and fought for the Union until 1865, when his regiment was mustered out of service in Arkansas. After briefly returning home, Zimmerman decided to go west and begin his adventures in California. In the summer of 1875, he returned home to see his mother for the last time, propelling him on his travels throughout California, Nevada, Colorado, Mexico and Arizona, settling in Tucson. During his time in Tucson, Zimmerman served as a police officer, constable and marshal. He married Salome Shepard in the winter of 1893.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: This collection contains biographical information including government forms, such as a marriage certificate and declaration for widow's pension, as well as relevant newspaper clippings and correspondence. The collection also includes Zimmerman's diaries and letters, which tell of his travels in Arizona and brief time in Mexico.

SUBJECT TERMS: Travel -- Arizona, Travel -- Mexico, Police -- Arizona -- Tucson

RELATED MATERIALS: Portraits-Zimmerman, Mr. & Mrs. Jean Pierre (Salome Shepard)

CONTAINER LIST:

Box	Folder	Description	Dates
1	1	Biographical Materials	1883-1934
	2	Diaries	1879-1887
	3	Letters (Transcripts, no originals)	1875-1886
	4	Letters	1890-1894