

Title: Williams, Micajah T. Collection

Reference Code: Mss-2598

Inclusive Dates: 1853

Quantity: 3 items

Location: OS LG "W"

Abstract: Micajah T. Williams was born in North Carolina in 1792. He eventually moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he worked as Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and as a newspaper editor. He also served in the Ohio Legislature and helped pass a bill authorizing two major canal projects. In 1832, President Andrew Jackson appointed Williams Surveyor-General of the Northwest Territory. During his services as Surveyor-General, he became acquainted with Byron Kilbourn, surveyor of government lands in Wisconsin. Once Kilbourn determined the area near the mouth of the Milwaukee River was an ideal site for a community, he and Williams purchased the land on the west side of the river. Micajah T. Williams died in 1844 at the age of 52 years.

Scope and Content: The collection consists of public notices of sales of lots from Micajah Williams' estate in the 2nd and 4th wards of the City of Milwaukee.

Access and Use: No restrictions

Language: English