

**Title:** Donnelly, Joseph G. Papers

**Call Number:** Mss-0296

**Inclusive Dates:** 1909 – 1956

**Bulk:** 0.3 cu. ft.

**Location:** CV, Sh. L005

**Abstract:** Joseph G. Donnelly was born in Ireland in 1856. His family immigrated to Milwaukee in 1865. Joseph graduated from the Milwaukee High School in 1871 and taught school for about five years before he was appointed register of probate, a position he held until 1893. During this time, he studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1879. In 1893, President Cleveland appointed Joseph a U.S. Consul General to Mexico, and he remained at that post until 1899. After he returned to Milwaukee, he practiced law until he became Chief Judge of the Civil Court in 1910. He passed away on May 10, 1915.

**Scope and Content:** The collection includes correspondence and other campaign materials related to the 1909 County Judge election. In addition, there are miscellaneous speeches (including one opposing re-election of Mayor David Rose) and writings by Donnelly and eulogies/tributes after his death in 1915.

**Administrative Note:** The finding aid was re typed on August 9, 2011 by Jenny Stevenson.

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