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Title

David L. DeHarport collection

Dates

1938-1967

Extent

176.75 cm textual material, 4 maps, 1550 photographic images (41 transparencies, 1509 prints, 1509 negatives)

Name of Creator(s)

DeHarport, David
Colton, Harold S.
Goodwin, Grenville
Kluckhohn, Clyde
Morris, Earl
Van Valkenburgh, Richard F.

Biographical History

David Lee DeHarport (8 August 1921- 15 June 2001) was born in Denver, Colorado. He received his BA in Anthropology from the University of Denver in 1943, and his MA in 1945. He began his doctoral research at Harvard University a couple of years later and earned his PhD in 1960. DeHarport first began researching the Southwestern Native American cultures as a student of the University of Denver, spending a couple of summers in New Mexico. And while at Harvard, DeHarport was sponsored by the Peabody Museum to work in Canyon de Chelly, on the Navajo Reservation, during the summers of 1948-1951 and 1957-1959. This research was the basis for his dissertation, "An Archeological Survey of Canyon de Chelly."

DeHarport's archeological interest was complemented by his proclivity for photography. He not only surveyed archeological sites but also photographically documented them.

Between his initial archeological survey of Canyon de Chelly and the completion of his dissertation, DeHarport worked for the Harvard Russian Research Center (1952). Later, in 1953, he photographically surveyed the low-relief sculpture at Chichen Itza, in the Yucatan, Mexico with the Carnegie Institution. And in 1955, he went on a Unesco mission to photograph hundreds of frescoes adorning the Ajanta Caves, a Buddhist site in central India.

After completing his PhD at Harvard in 1960, DeHarport was offered a position with the Navajo Claims Commission, based in Winslow, Arizona. During the summer he acted as an assistant archeologist to Clyde Kluckhohn, and in the fall he served as an expert witness in the *Healing v. Jones* case, which set aside the Hopi Reservation as exclusively Hopi land, with contested areas to be shared with the Navajos as a "joint-use area."

DeHarport continued working as archeologist and Navajo Land Claims representative after *Healing v. Jones* he began working as a researcher on Docket 229, which addressed various areas that the Navajo believed ancestrally belonged to them. Docket 229 consisted of Docket 196: Hopi overlap, Dockets 227/266: Acoma-Laguna overlap, Dockets 91: Havasupai overlap and Dockets 30/48/22-D/22-J: miscellaneous Apache overlap.

In 1962, DeHarport was appointed a research associate at the Museum of Northern Arizona and was given permission by Director Danson to work in Canyon de Chelly again. His work was initially to further document archeological sites and make sherd collections but culminated into a report on illegal excavation that was presented to tribal lawyers. His report was later discredited by other archeologists.

After his work as Navajo Land Claims representative, DeHarport's interest was drawn back to his native Colorado. In the 1980s, DeHarport began documenting the fragile prairies of Colorado's eastern plains. This area had often, until then, been eclipsed by the more popular Rocky Mountains and DeHarport was one of few people who recorded in photographs the landscape and people's interaction with it. He devoted the rest of his life to this artistic study.

DeHarport passed away in Colorado in 2001 and was survived by his wife, Charlotte, who donated his photographic collections to various institutions.

Scope and Content

This collection is separated into 3 series. The first encompasses DeHarport's legal work on Docket 229, which includes defense and plaintiff's exhibits and statements, reports, notes, maps, hearing transcripts, and archeological surveys. The second series consists of DeHarport's various reports on archeological sites around the United States and India, records included are his doctoral dissertation, his report on illegal excavations, field notes, photographic images, reports for the BIA and from his trips to California and India. The third series is comprised of the "Proposed Findings of Fact" for *Littell v. Udall* case.

System of Arrangement

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Languages and Scripts of the Materials

English & Navajo

Immediate Source of Acquisition

The collection was donated in parts between 1963 and 1968 by DeHarport (Accession #MS-41, MS-246, MS-247). Accession #MS-41 arrived in 1964 and is a permanent loan from DeHarport.

Related Archival Materials

The Colorado Historical Society and the Knight Library at the University of Oregon have David L. DeHarport photograph collections. The Peabody Museum at Harvard University has records related to DeHarport's doctoral research, as well as his original photograph index.

Note

The MNA library has published copies of the "Proposed Findings of Fact in Behalf of the Navajo Tribe of Indians" (see 340 u58p), as well as another copy of the "Plaintiff Exhibits, 2-499."

Description Control

Finding aid written by Eileen Hogan using *DACS*, 15 October 2010

Title

Series 1: Navajo Land Claim

Dates

1938-1965

Extent

97 cm textual material, 9 notebooks, 4 maps

Scope and Content

This series contains records from the Navajo land claim cases, including Docket 229, which encompasses the overall Navajo land claim as well as Docket 196: Hopi overlap, Dockets 227/266: Acoma-Laguna overlap, Dockets 91: Havasupai overlap and Dockets 30/48/22-D/22-J: Miscellaneous Apache overlap. Records included are defense and plaintiff's exhibits and statements, reports, notes, maps, hearing transcripts, and archeological surveys.

System of Arrangement

Series 1: Navajo Land Claim

Subseries 1.1: Overall Navajo Land Claim Research Materials

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Subseries 1.1: Overall Navajo Land Claim Research Materials

Dates

1942-1964

Extent

74.75 textual material, 9 notebooks, 4 maps

Scope and Content

This subseries contains records from Docket 229, which encompasses the overall Navajo land claim. Included are plaintiff's exhibits, plaintiff's statements, maps, reports, clippings, and notes related to the overall Navajo land claim area, with the exception of specific information relating to the Hopi, Apache, Havasupai, and Acoma/Laguna overlap areas, which are addressed in their own respective subseries.

Subseries 1.1: Overall Navajo Land Claim Research Materials				
File #	File Description	Date(s)	Extent	Box/Folder
MS-246-1.1-1	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: List/Index	undated	.5 cm textual	1.1
MS-246-1.1-2	[Docket 229] Index of Navajo Plaintiff's Exhibits	circa 1958-1963	1 cm textual	1.2
MS-246-1.1-3	[Docket 229] Preliminary Summaries of Navajo Boundaries	1952-1958	.5 cm textual	1.3
MS-246-1.1-4	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Navajo Northern Boundary Notes	circa 1958	2 cm textual	1.4
MS-246-1.1-5	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Navajo Western Boundary Notes	1958	1 cm textual	1.5
MS-246-1.1-6	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Navajo Eastern Boundary Notes	circa 1958-1963	1 cm textual	1.6
MS-246-1.1-7	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Navajo Southern Boundary	circa 1958-1963	1 cm textual	1.7
MS-246-1.1-8	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Navajo Southeastern Boundary Notes	1958	1 cm textual	1.8
MS-246-1.1-9	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Bear Spring/Zuni Area	circa 1958-1963	.5 cm textual	1.9
MS-246-1.1-10	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Cañon de Chelly, Chuska, Ft. Defiance, Pueblo Colorado, etc.	circa 1958-1963	1 cm textual	1.10
MS-246-1.1-11	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Cañoncito Navajos	circa 1958-1963	.5 cm textual	1.11

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MS-246-1.1-12	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Mesa de la Vaca - Calabasa	circa 1958-1963	.5 cm textual	1.12
MS-246-1.1-13	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Mount Taylor - Cebolleta	circa 1958-1963	1 cm textual	1.13
MS-246-1.1-14	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Hopi Area, Moqui	circa 1958-1963	.25 cm textual	1.14
MS-246-1.1-15	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Puerco of the West, Non-Reservation Navajos	circa 1958-1963	.25 cm textual	1.15
MS-246-1.1-16	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Agriculture	circa 1958-1963	.25 cm textual	2.1
MS-246-1.1-17	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Hogans Burned	circa 1958-1963	.25 cm textual	2.2
MS-246-1.1-18	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Peace and Provocation	circa 1958-1963	.25 cm textual	2.3
MS-246-1.1-19	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Population	circa 1958-1963	.25 cm textual	2.4
MS-246-1.1-20	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Slavery	circa 1958-1963	.25 cm textual	2.5
MS-246-1.1-21	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Supporting Archeological Data	1960	2 cm textual	2.6
MS-246-1.1-22	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Translations From Spanish Documents	1961	1 cm textual	2.7
MS-246-1.1-23	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Treaties and Agreements	circa 1958-1963	.5 cm textual	2.8
MS-246-1.1-24	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Gold Hunting, General Sherman, Surveys	circa 1958-1963	.25 cm textual	2.9
MS-246-1.1-25	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Clyde Kluckhohn Testimony, Notes	1960-1961	1 cm textual	2.10
MS-246-1.1-26	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Navajo Reservation Maps	undated	3 maps	MF 1.9
MS-246-1.1-27	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibit: Index to Data on Map (898BB)	circa 1958-1963	1 cm textual	2.11
MS-246-1.1-28	[Docket 229] Index of Place Names, Map Coordinates	1960	.5 cm textual	2.12
MS-246-1.1-29	"Report on Maps Concerning the Navajo Tribe of Indians in the Cartographic Records Branch, National Archives"	circa 1958-1963	.5 cm textual	2.13
MS-246-1.1-30	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits, 26-626 [4 folders]	undated	13.5 cm textual	2.14, 3.1-3.3

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MS-246-1.1-31	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Exhibits: Narrative Statements [2 of 2]	1960-1961	6.5 cm textual	3.4, 4.1
MS-246-1.1-32	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Statements: Eastern and Western Sectors	circa 1958-1963	.25 cm textual	4.2
MS-246-1.1-33	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Statements: Northern Sector	circa 1958-1963	1 cm textual	4.3
MS-246-1.1-34	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Statements: Southern Sector	circa 1958-1963	.5 cm textual	4.4
MS-246-1.1-35	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Statements: Jemez	circa 1958-1963	.5 cm textual	4.5
MS-246-1.1-36	[Docket 229] Plaintiff's Statements: Notes	circa 1958-1963	.25 cm textual	4.6
MS-246-1.1-37	[Docket 229] Rebuttal Notes	1957-1961	.5 cm textual	4.7
MS-246-1.1-38	[Docket 229] Notes on the Defense [2 folders]	1960-1961	3 cm textual	4.8, 4.9
MS-246-1.1-39	[Docket 229] Digest: Defense Exhibits G185-G235	circa 1958-1963	.5 cm textual	4.10
MS-246-1.1-40	[Docket 229] Digest: Defense Exhibits R1-R178	circa 1958-1963	1 cm textual	4.11
MS-246-1.1-41	[Docket 229] Documents, vol IV	undated	5 cm textual	5.1
MS-246-1.1-42	Southwest Native American Legal/Cultural Notebooks	1963-1965	9 notebooks	5.2
MS-246-1.1-43	Bibliographic Note Cards	circa 1958-1963	1 cm textual	5.3
MS-246-1.1-44	Notes From Published Sources [4 folders]	circa 1958-1963	7 cm textual	5.4, 5.5, 6.1, 6.2
MS-246-1.1-45	Canyon de Chelly Field Notes [by DeHarport & Earl Morris]	1957-1959	3.5 cm textual	6.3
MS-246-1.1-46	"An Archeological Survey of Canyon de Chelly, Northeastern Arizona": Excerpt	1959-1960	.5 cm textual	6.4
MS-246-1.1-47	Navajo Claims Archeology Notebook	1960-1961	1 cm textual	6.5
MS-246-1.1-48	Navajo Sacred Places: Maps, Correspondence, Reports	1951-1959	2 cm textual, 1 map	6.6, MF 1.9
MS-246-1.1-49	Prehistoric Pueblo: Traditions of Contact With Navajo, Language Statistics	circa 1958-1963	.25 cm textual	6.7
MS-246-1.1-50	Utes: Notes, Brochure	circa 1958-1963	1 cm textual	6.8

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MS-246-1.1-51	Piute: Notes, Correspondence, Census, Map	1958-1961	2 cm textual	7.1
MS-246-1.1-52	Yavapai: Notes, Map	circa 1958-1963	.5 cm textual	7.2
MS-246-1.1-53	Contemporary Newspaper Accounts: Clippings, Notes	circa 1958-1963	1 cm textual	7.3
MS-246-1.1-54	National Park Service: Booklets, Clipping, Form	1942-1962	.5 cm textual	7.4
MS-246-1.1-55	BIA Reports: Archeological Field Research Regarding Navajo Claim With Calculations	1961	.5 cm textual	7.5
MS-246-1.1-56	BIA Reports: Shelters, Pottery, Blessingway	1960	.5 cm textual	7.6
MS-246-1.1-57	Navajo History to 1846, American Period	1960	.5 cm textual	6.9
MS-246-1.1-58	"Preliminary Report on Library Research Connection With the Navajo Claims Case"	circa 1958-1963	.5 cm textual	6.10
MS-246-1.1-59	Correspondence Regarding Disposition of the "Proposed Findings of Fact in Behalf of the Navajo Tribe of Indians..."	1967	.25 cm textual	9.7

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Subseries 1.2: Apache Overlap

Dates

1951-1963

Extent

5 textual material

Scope and Content

This subseries relates to Dockets 30/48/22-D/22-J, the Apache overlap areas that the Navajo were trying to prove ancestrally belonged to them. Included are notes, statements, and exhibits regarding the Chiracauhua, Warm Springs, Jicarilla, Western, and San Carlos Apaches. There is also a photocopy of Grenville Goodwin's Apache Manuscript.

Subseries 1.2: Apache Overlap				
File #	File Description	Date(s)	Extent	Box/Folder
MS-246-1.2-1	Docket 22: Apache Statement Notes, Exhibits	1951-1957	.5 cm textual	7.7
MS-246-1.2-2	Docket 22A: Jicarilla, Western, San Carlos Apache, [etc.] Notes	1959	2 cm textual	7.8
MS-246-1.2-3	Docket 48: Chiracauhua and Warm Springs Apache Notes	circa 1958-1963	.5 cm textual	7.9
MS-246-1.2-4	"[Grenville] Goodwin's Apache Manuscript"	1961	2 cm textual	7.10

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Subseries 1.3: Havasupai Overlap

Dates

circa 1958-1963

Extent

1 textual material

Scope and Content

This subseries relates to Docket 91, the Havasupai overlap areas that the Navajo were trying to prove ancestrally belonged to them. Included is the Havasupai hearing transcript, and notes.

Subseries 1.3: Havasupai Overlap				
File #	File Description	Date(s)	Extent	Box/Folder
MS-246-1.3-1	Docket 91: Havasupai Hearing Transcript, Notes	circa 1958-1960	1 cm textual	7.11

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Subseries 1.4: Hopi Overlap

Dates

1938-1963

Extent

12.25 textual material

Scope and Content

This subseries relates to Docket 196, the Hopi overlap areas that the Navajo were trying to prove ancestrally belonged to them. Included are notes on Hopi ethnography, historic homeland, Navajo-Hopi contact, history of the Navajo-Hopi land dispute, Harold S. Colton's Hopi notes [copies], defense exhibits, transcripts, maps, publications, and an archeological survey relating to the overlap area.

Subseries 1.4: Hopi Overlap				
File #	File Description	Date(s)	Extent	Box/Folder
MS-246-1.4-1	Docket 196: Hopi Bibliography, Publications, Notes	circa 1958-1963	2 cm textual	8.1
MS-246-1.4-2	Docket 196: Hopi Ethnography, Publications, Notes	circa 1958-1963	1 cm textual	8.2
MS-246-1.4-3	Docket 196: Hopi Notes, Maps	1961	1 cm textual	8.3
MS-246-1.4-4	Docket 196: Hopi Defense Exhibits, Notes [2 folders]	circa 1958-1963	2 cm textual	8.4, 8.5
MS-246-1.4-5	Docket 196: Harold S. Colton Hopi Notes	1938-1953	2 cm textual	8.6
MS-246-1.4-6	History of the Navajo-Hopi Land Dispute: Bibliographic Notes, Timeline	1962	1 cm textual	8.7
MS-246-1.4-7	History of the Navajo-Hopi Land Dispute: Hopi Notes, Transcript	1960	.5 cm textual	9.1
MS-246-1.4-8	[Docket 229] Plaintiff Exhibits: History of the Navajo-Hopi Land Dispute: Navajo Country	circa 1958-1963	.5 cm textual	9.2
MS-246-1.4-9	Navajo-Hopi Contact: Notes	1936, circa 1958-1963	.25 cm textual	9.3
MS-246-1.4-10	"Report of the Archeological Survey of the Navajo-Hopi Contact Area": Manuscript by Richard F. Van Valkenburgh & J. Lee Correll	1959	2 cm textual	9.4

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Subseries 1.5: Acoma/Laguna Overlap

Dates

1953-1959

Extent

4 textual material

Scope and Content

This subseries relates to Dockets 227/266, the Acoma/Laguna overlap areas that the Navajo were trying to prove ancestrally belonged to them. Included are notes on the Acoma/Laguna-Navajo land disputes, and the Acoma and Laguna hearing transcripts.

Subseries 1.5: Acoma/Laguna Overlap				
File #	File Description	Date(s)	Extent	Box/Folder
MS-246-1.5-1	Docket 227, 266: Acoma/Laguna - Navajo Land Disputes	1957	1 cm textual	9.5
MS-246-1.5-2	Docket 227/266: Acoma and Laguna Hearing Transcripts, Notes, Documentation	1953-1959	3 cm textual	9.6

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Series 2: Archeological Research

Dates

1949-1964

Extent

79.5 cm textual, 1550 photographic images (41 transparencies, 1509 prints, 1509 negatives)

Scope and Content

This series contains records from DeHarport's archeological research prior to and after his work with the Navajo Claims. The first subseries encompasses the research he did on Canyon de Chelly as a PhD candidate and later as a research associate for the Museum of Northern Arizona and the Navajo Tribe. The second subseries contains DeHarport's research reports on various other archeological sites and Native Americans.

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Series 2: Archeological Research

Subseries 2.1: Canyon de Chelly Research

Subseries 2.1: Other Research Reports

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Subseries 2.1: Canyon de Chelly Research

Dates

1949-1963

Extent

77.25 cm textual, 1550 photographic images (41 transparencies, 1509 prints, 1509 negatives)

Scope and Content

This subseries contains records from DeHarport's research on Canyon de Chelly. Included are his doctoral dissertation, his report on illegal excavations, field notes, and photographic images.

Subseries 2.1: Canyon de Chelly Research				
File #	File Description	Date(s)	Extent	Box/Folder
MS-246-2.1-1	"An Archeological Survey of Canyon de Chelly, Northeastern Arizona; a Puebloan Community Through Time [10 folders]	1959	26 cm textual	10.6-10.8, 11.1-11.4, 12.1-12.3
MS-246-2.1-2	Notes on Illegal Excavation in Canyon de Chelly	1962-1963	.5 cm textual	12.4
MS-246-2.1-3	"A Report on Illegal Excavations in Canyon de Chelly National Monument and Adjacent Portions of the Chinle Valley, Arizona"	circa 1963	2 cm textual	12.5
MS-246-2.1-4	Reports on Canyon de Muerto	1963	.25 cm textual	13.1
MS-246-2.1-5	Canyon de Chelly Field Notes [photocopies] [2 folders]	1957-1959	4 cm textual	13.2, 13.3
MS-246-2.1-6	Canyon de Chelly: Preliminary Reports for Field Seasons 1948-1949, 1957-1959	1949-1959	.5 cm textual	13.4
MS-246-2.1-7	Transparencies: Canyon de Chelly, Rodeo, Sand & Driftwood	1957	41 transparencies	13.5
MS-246-2.1-8	Canyon de Chelly Photograph Inventory [2 folders]	1949-1951	3 cm textual	13.6, 13.7
MS-246-2.1-9	Canyon de Chelly Photographic Images (Prints and Negatives)	1949-1951	1509 images	PN 101, PN 103, PN 105, PN 107, PN 109 - PN 113, Box 14 [negatives]

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Subseries 2.2: Other Research Reports

Dates

1950-1964

Extent

2.25 cm textual

Scope and Content

This subseries contains DeHarport's research reports on various other archeological sites and Native Americans. Included are reports for the BIA and from his trips to California and India.

Subseries 2.2: Other Research Reports				
File #	File Description	Date(s)	Extent	Box/Folder
MS-246-2.2-1	"Notes on the Yokuts"	1950	.5 cm	10.1
MS-246-2.2-2	"Notes on the Yurok"	1950	.5 cm	10.2
MS-246-2.2-3	UNESCO Ajanta Caves Mission: Notes, Correspondence, Report	1955	.5 cm	10.3
MS-246-2.2-4	Resume and Qualifications	1960	.25 cm	10.4
MS-246-2.2-5	"Tourism to Zuni: Highway 53 Association BIA Project"	1964	.5 cm	10.5

Title

Series 3: Littell v. Udall

Dates

1967

Extent

.25 cm textual material

Scope and Content

This series is comprised of the "Proposed Findings of Fact" for Littell v. Udall case.

Series 3: Littell v. Udall				
Item #	Item Description	Date(s)	Extent	Box/Folder
MS-246-3-1	"Little v. Udall: Opinion, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and Permanent Injunction"	1965	1 cm textual	9.8

LCSH Access Points

Acoma (N.M.)

Ajanta Caves (India)

Apache Indians

Archaeology

Brugge, David M.

Canyon de Chelly National Monument (Ariz.)

Colton, Harold Sellers, 1881-1970

De Harport, David Havasupai Reservation (Ariz.)

Goodwin, Grenville, 1907-1940

Hopi Indian Reservation (Ariz.)

Hopi Indians -- Land tenure

Jicarilla Indian Reservation (N.M.)

Kluckhohn, Clyde, 1905-1960

Navajo County, Ariz

Navajo history

Navajo-Hopi Land Dispute Commission

Navajo Indian Reservation

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Navajo Land Dispute Commission

Pueblo of Laguna (N.M.)

San Carlos Apache Tribe of the San Carlos Reservation, Arizona

United Nations Preparatory Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Commission

Van Valkenburgh, Richard F.

Warm Spring Apache Indians

Yokuts Indians

Yurok Indians

Zuni Indian Reservation

