

Williamson County, Tennessee  
E. Ward Harris Papers



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## Collection Overview

**Title:** E. Ward Harris papers

**Date Range:** 1930s-1940s

**Creator:** E. Ward Harris

**Extent:** 2 record boxes

**Abstract:** The E. Ward Harris Papers collection contains the personal and professional papers of E. Ward Harris, a lawyer in the town of Franklin, Williamson County, Tennessee in the mid-twentieth century.

**Language:** English

**Repository:** Williamson County Archives, Franklin, TN

**Collection Number:** WCA0012

## Scope and Content

This collection contains mostly correspondence to E. Ward Harris. This correspondence includes personal, professional, and advertisements. This collection also contains court-related materials, legal documents, personal identification documents, a photograph, government documents, periodicals, insurance, and retirement documents.

## Arrangement

All items in the collection are contained within two record boxes. Items are separated by category within acid-free folders. The folders are arranged alphabetically within each box. The boxes are stored in the processing room on the rear wall shelf.

## Historical Note

E. Ward Harris was born on February 17, 1909, in Maury County, Tennessee. He was the son of Sophia Jane Holland Harris and McDonald Harris. He was a lawyer in Franklin, Tennessee and held residence in Spring Hill, Tennessee. Most of the correspondence between E. Ward Harris, his clients, corporations, and other law offices indicates that he mainly practiced law in the areas of life insurance and debt collections. He died in Panama City, Florida on December 8, 1989.

## Access and Use

**Access to the Collection:** This collection is open to the public for research during normal business hours.

**Use of Materials:** Unrestricted

**Preferred Citation:** E. Ward Harris Papers, Williamson County Archives, Franklin, TN

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## Administrative Information

### About the collection

**Acquisition:** Donated by Bob Gentry. Recovered from the basement of the Carriage Court apartments in Franklin, TN by Mr. Gentry, the property manager and owner. Mr. Harris may have lived or worked in that building.

### About the finding aid

**Author:** Ashleigh Florida

**Date:** December 9, 2022

**Descriptive rules:** Finding aid based on *Describing Archives: a Content Standard* (DACS)

## Search Terms

**Names:** E. Ward Harris  
Williamson County

**Subjects:** 1930s  
1940s  
Franklin, Williamson County, Tenn.  
Fraternal Organizations

History  
Law  
Legal  
Letters  
Local History  
Maury County, Tennessee  
Tennessee  
Williamson County, Tennessee

## Container List

E. Ward Harris Papers	
Box 1	American Extension School of Law Pt. 1
	American Extension School of Law Pt. 2
	Civil & Political
	Commercial Truck Registration
	Correspondence 1908
	Correspondence 1927
	Correspondence 1932
	Correspondence 1933
	Correspondence 1934
	Correspondence 1935
	Correspondence 1936 Pt. 1
	Correspondence 1936 Pt. 2
	Correspondence 1936 Pt. 3
	Correspondence 1937 Pt. 1
	Correspondence 1937 Pt. 2
	Correspondence 1938
	Correspondence 1939 Pt. 1
	Correspondence 1939 Pt. 2
	Correspondence 1939 Pt. 3
	Correspondence 1940 Pt. 1
	Correspondence 1940 Pt. 2
	Correspondence 1941
	Correspondence Unknown Year
	Correspondence Unopened
	Court Case Documents

Box 2	Deeds & Leases
	E. Ward Harris Bar Association of TN Card
	E. Ward Harris Diploma
	General Electric Warranty
	Handwritten Notes
	Humorous Docs
	Insurance Related
	Legal/Government/Industry
	Marriage License
	Medical
	Minstrel Show Docs
	Mutual Benefit Retirement Plan
	Newspaper Clippings
	Order Forms
	Passenger Car Data
	Photo
	Pipe Smoking Paraphernalia
	Post Cards
	Primary Vote August 1936
	Reader's Digest
	Receipts Pt. 1
	Receipts Pt. 2
	Receipts Pt. 3
	Religious Informationals
	Senate Roll Call
	Southwestern News Vol. 1 No. 6
	Stamps
	Tax Return
	Tennessee Coal & Oil Stock Certificate
	Tennessee Young Democrat Subscription
	UDC Application
	Youth Instructor Vol. 86