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**New York State Temporary State Commission on the State  
Court System Research and Administration Files 10360**

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## Overview of the Records

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<b>Repository:</b>	New York State Archives
<b>Summary:</b>	The Temporary Commission on the State Court System was created to investigate the effects of new pre-trial procedures, civil rights decisions and legislation, narcotics and divorce laws, bail and detention procedures, and measures to prevent recidivism. This series consists of the general administrative, correspondence, research, and study files related to court staffing and caseloads; goals and objectives of the court system; selection and disciplining of judges; court structure and financing; the grand jury; and the bail system.
<b>Creator:</b>	New York (State). Temporary Commission on the State Court System
<b>Title:</b>	Commission on the State Court System research and administration files
<b>Quantity:</b>	27 cubic feet
<b>Inclusive Date:</b>	1970-1973
<b>Series:</b>	10360

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## Arrangement

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Arranged roughly by type of record or by research topic.

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## Administrative History

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The Temporary Commission on the State Court System was created by Chapter 943 of the Laws of 1970 (amended by Chapter 115, Laws of 1971) to study and make recommendations concerning the state's court system. The commission was specifically charged to investigate the effects of new pre-trial procedures, civil rights decisions and legislation, narcotics and divorce laws, bail and detention procedures, and measures to prevent recidivism.

In addition, it was also to study the need for new or reorganized courts, the need for additional judges, and the relative merits of various methods for the selection, tenure, and removal of judges and justices.

D. Clinton Dominick served as chairman, and Harold A. Jerry, Jr. served as director and counsel of the commission.

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## Scope and Content Note

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The series consists of general administrative, correspondence, research and study files, transcripts of interviews with court personnel, and records relating to the final report of the Temporary Commission on the State Court System. Among the topics researched by the commission were court staffing and case loads; goals and objectives of the court system; selection and disciplining of judges; court structure and financing; the grand jury; and the bail system.

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## Related Information

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### Related Material

B1830Series B1830, Harold A. Jerry, Jr. Professional Papers, contains personal copies of records compiled during Jerry's service on this commission.

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## Use of Records

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### Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of the material.

## Administrative Information

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### Acquisition Information

This series contains records covered under RDAs 10360, 10361, 10362, and 10363 and has records under transfer list 73001A.

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## Access Terms

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- Administrative records
- Criminal justice, Administration of
- Evaluating
- Courts--New York (State)
- Court Administration--New York (State)
- New York (State)
- Memorandums
- Researching
- Jerry, Harold A., Jr., 1920-2001
- Dominick, D. Clinton, 1918-