

Enrollment lists for the 14th District, New York State A4119

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series consists of printed lists (on rag paper) of men enrolled, and therefore liable to military duty, residing in the 14th Enrollment District of the State, apparently comprising Albany and Schoharie counties. The lists provide the names of all men between the ages of twenty and forty-five who were subject to the draft. The lists consist of two parts: the lists of names, and a prefatory statement at the top of each list.
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Arrangement

Alphabetic by county and therein alphabetic by locality; lists for Albany city are arranged numerically by ward numbers.

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Administrative History

Apparently these lists were collected by the Bureau of Military Statistics sometime in late 1864 or 1865 since they were originally filed with other records of that bureau.

Although the bureau was not specifically charged with collecting these types of records, the bureau's director, in his first annual report, described his intention of having the bureau attempt to collect any material related to the war.

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Scope and Content Note

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The lists consist of two parts: the lists of names, and a prefatory statement at the top of each list. The statement requests that the names of persons inadvertently omitted from the list be reported to the local enrolling officer or the Board of Enrollment. In addition, the statement informs enrollees that in order to have their names stricken from the list they must appear before the Board of Enrollment and prove to that body they are not eligible due to "alienage, non-residence, unsuitableness of age, or manifest permanent physical disability." The lists pertaining to Albany provide not only the enrollee's name but his street address as well.

Filed with the enrollment lists is one very oversized list that contains the "names of all drafted men from the 14th District of New York who have failed to report under the draft of September 28, 1863...in accordance with instructions from the Provost Marshall." These men were considered deserters and a reward of thirty dollars was offered for their capture. The list is divided into thirty-six sub-districts. In addition to each deserter's name the list provides age, marital status, occupation, nativity, place of enrollment, and date drafted.

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Related Information

Related Material

Series A4109, Militia Enrollment Returns Filed by County Boards of Supervisors

A4155, Registers Recording Enrollment of Persons Liable to Military Duty (Buffalo 1st Ward and Tonawanda)

and A4156, Statistical Register Pertaining to the 1864 Enrollment of Men Liable to Military Duty in National Guard, contain additional enrollment information.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Item list.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

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

Access Terms

- Military history
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- New York (State)--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- Draft
- Recruiting
- Desertion, Military
- Soldiers
- Lists (document genres)