



New York State Archives

**Examples of ballots and related voting records issued by
Union states to soldiers during the 1864 presidential election
A4131**

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series consists of printed tickets, legislative laws and proceedings, one state canvass, and circulars pertaining to the 1864 presidential election contested between Abraham Lincoln and George B. McClellan. The printed tickets usually provide the names not only of the presidential candidates but also of candidates running for various local offices and presidential electors.
Creator:	New York (State). Bureau of Military Statistics
Title:	Examples of ballots and related voting records issued by Union states to soldiers during the 1864 presidential election
Quantity:	0.5 cubic feet
Inclusive Date:	1864
Series:	A4131

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Arrangement

Alphabetic by state.

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Administrative History

These records were collected by the Bureau of Military Statistics which requested them from each state. Although not specifically authorized to collect this type of information by its enabling legislation, the bureau's director stated in his first annual report that it would be the intention of the bureau to collect anything pertaining to the Civil War.

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Scope and Content Note

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In addition to Wisconsin, the series contains voting records submitted by the following states: Connecticut, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Ohio, Vermont, and West Virginia.

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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.

Administrative Information

Custodial History

Collation date 1865.

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Access Terms

- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- Presidents--United States--Election--1864
- New York (State)--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- Collecting
- Soldiers--Suffrage
- Ballots
- Presidents--Election
- McClellan, George Brinton, 1826-1885.
- New York (State). Military Department
- Lincoln, Abraham, 1809-1865.