



*New York State Archives*

**New York State Bureau of Records of the War of the  
Rebellion Abstracts of Muster Rolls of Men Unassigned to  
Any State or Federal Unit during the Civil War B0805**

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## Overview of the Records

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<b>Repository:</b>	New York State Archives
<b>Summary:</b>	This series consists of abstracts partially describing the military service of New York men who were mustered into service but were not assigned to a unit during the Civil War. Abstracts list: name; date and place of enlistment; age; length of enlistment; date mustered in; grade; birthplace; occupation; eye and hair color; complexion; height; and Congressional District number. Some include how each man left his organization and remarks such as drafted, a substitute (often named), or deserted.
<b>Creator:</b>	New York (State). Bureau of Records of the War of the Rebellion
<b>Title:</b>	Abstracts of muster rolls of men unassigned to any state or federal unit during the Civil War
<b>Quantity:</b>	2 cubic feet
<b>Inclusive Date:</b>	1861-1865
<b>Series:</b>	B0805

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## Arrangement

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Alphabetical by last name.

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## Administrative History

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Laws of 1887 authorized the Adjutant General to "procure copies of all military records relating to New York volunteers in the war of the rebellion not on file in his office, from the proper departments of the general government" (Chapter 51).

In addition, the Adjutant General was "to establish as part of his office a bureau of records of the war of the rebellion, in which all records in his office relating to said war, and the records and relics of the bureau of military statistics shall be united and kept" (Chapter 247). Although the exact date of the collation of these records is unknown, they were probably produced

between 1887 and 1907, during the same period when the abstracts for men who served in New York Volunteer units, the United States Navy and Marine Corps, or State Militia were being compiled.

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## Scope and Content Note

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This series consists of unbound printed abstracts which partially describe the military service of New York men who were mustered into service but were never assigned to either a federal or state unit.

Individual abstracts provide the following information for each man: name; date and place of enlistment; age (in years); length of enlistment; date mustered in; grade; place of birth; occupation; eye and hair color; complexion; height; and Congressional District number. The form also contains a section dealing with how each man left his organization, but since these men were never assigned to a unit, this section always appears blank. Finally, the form contains a section entitled "remarks." These remarks usually consist of notations stating that the man was drafted, a substitute (often supplies the name of the man for whom he was substituting), or deserted. The vast majority of the remarks state that the man was a substitute.

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## Other Finding Aids

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### Available at Repository

Folder list and roll list are available.

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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.

## **Alternate Formats AvailableAlternate Formats Available**

Microfilm is available at the New York State Archives through interlibrary loan.

Microfilm: 4 reels; 35 mm.

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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Custodial History**

Collation date ca. 1887-1907.

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## **Access Terms**

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- Military history
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- New York (State)--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- Collecting
- Armies
- Armed Forces
- Soldiers
- Military records
- New York (State). Adjutant General's Office
- United States. War Department
- New York (State). Military Department
- New York (State). Division of Military and Naval Affairs