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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series consists of legal documents and related records compiled by the commission during the course of litigation initiated by persons and corporations upon whom the commission had served subpoenas. The plaintiffs filed the court actions to quash or limit the subpoenas. The bulk of the series is comprised of files of legal documents for each case. It also includes correspondence, court orders, and court opinions.
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Arrangement

Chronological by date of first court action in each case.

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Scope and Content Note

This series consists of legal documents and related records compiled by the Commission during the course of litigation initiated by persons and corporations upon whom the Commission had served subpoenas. The plaintiffs filed the court actions to quash or limit the subpoenas.

The bulk of the series is comprised of files of legal documents for each case, including: show cause order requiring Commission to show why the subpoenas should not be quashed or limited; appellant's and respondent's briefs, depositions, and affidavits; memoranda of law by litigants summarizing the facts of the case and their arguments based on the law; notices of

entry and filing of court orders; other legal documents; and related records such as tabulations of stock dividends received from harness racing associations and excerpts from association minutes, questionnaires and contracts.

The series also includes: correspondence between the Commission and a Supreme Court Justice regarding the need for an additional special term to settle pending litigation; court orders for transcripts of Grand Jury minutes relevant to the Commission's case; and opinion of Supreme Court Justices (January 12 and 19, 1954) denying the plaintiffs' motions.

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Related Information

Related Material

B1327Series B1327, Card Indexes to Harness Racing Associations and Stockholders, Witnesses, and Commission Records and Staff, partially indexes this series.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Docket book indexes most cases by name of plaintiff.

Container list is available at the repository.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

All investigative materials in Moreland Act commission records are indefinitely restricted pursuant to Executive Law sect. 6 and 63.8 and Civil Rights Law sect. 73.8. Requests for access to such materials are referred to the Governor's Office.

Access Terms

- Harness racing--State supervision
- Litigation
- Harness racing--New York (State)
- Governmental investigations
- New York (State)
- Investigating
- New York (State). Executive Department