

Finding Aid for the Penal Code correspondence series.

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Online Finding Aid Record:

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Overview of Records

Repository:

New York State Archives

Summary:

This series consists of incoming correspondence from judges and justices from across New York State responding to letters of concern from William Rice, private secretary to Governor David B. Hill in 1886. Rice's letters state that the judge had not given due consideration to section 697 of the amended chapter 68 of the Penal Code in 1886. This change would prevent the discharge of convicts during the colder seasons of the year as a way to cut down on crime.

Creator:

New York (State). Governor (1885-1892 : Hill)

Title:

Penal Code correspondence

Inclusive Dates:

1886

Quantity:

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Series Number:

B1924

Arrangement:

B1924-06:Chronological.

Scope and Contact Note:

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Use of Records:

Access Restrictions:

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

Related Information:

Access Terms:

Subjects:

- Judges
- Criminal law

Corporate Names:

- New York (State). Governor (1885-1892 : Hill)
- New York State Archives

Personal Names:

- Hill, David B. (David Bennett), 1843-1910.

Geographic Names:

- New York (State)
- New York (State)--Politics and government

Functions:

- Administering state government

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