

New York State Supreme Court of Judicature (Geneva)
Calendars of Enumerated Motions J2241

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Overview of the Records

Repository: New York State Archives

Summary: This series consists of calendars of enumerated motions argued

before the Supreme Court of Judicature in special terms held at Rochester. Enumerated motions were those made to arrest judgment; those arising on a "case" reserved at trial in Circuit Court or agreed upon without trial; those arising on a special verdict; those arising on a demurrer, writ of error, or bill of exceptions; and those made to set aside a verdict, an inquisition

or report of damages, or a non-suit.

Creator: New York (State). Supreme Court of Judicature (Geneva)

Title: Calendars of enumerated motions

Quantity: 0.3 cubic feet

Quantity: 6 volumes

Inclusive Date: 1841-1847

Series: J2241

Arrangement

Chronological.

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Scope and Content Note

These calendars list motions made to arrest judgment; those arising when a point or problem was referred to a justice for decision; those arising on a demurrer, on a bill of exceptions, or on various writs; and those made to set aside a verdict.

This series consists of calendars of enumerated motions argued before the Supreme Court of Judicature in the special terms held at Rochester starting in 1841. Enumerated motions were those made to arrest judgment; those arising on a "case" reserved at a trial in Circuit Court or agreed upon by the parties without trial (a "case" was a special point or problem referred to a

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justice for decision); those arising on a special verdict (in which a matter of law was referred to a justice by a jury); those arising on a demurrer, a writ of error, a bill of exceptions, or a writ in the nature of a writ of error (including writs of mandanus and some writs of certiorari); and those made to set aside a verdict, an inquisition or report of damages, or a non-suit. The great majority of the entries on the calendars concerned "cases," demurrers to pleading or evidence, writs of error and certiorari, bills of exceptions, and motions to set aside a report of referees, a verdict, or a demurrer alleged to be frivolous.

Enumerated motions were placed on the calendar in chronological order by the date when the question arose. (For special verdict, demurrer to evidence, bill of exceptions, case reserved at trial, and motion to set aside a verdict or non-suit, this was the day the verdict was taken or non-suit granted. For demurrer to pleadings, writ of error or writ in nature of a writ of error, this was the day when the joinder in demurrer or joinder in error was received by the party demurring or assigning errors.) Some of the questions to be argued originated a year or more prior to the term in which arguments were heard.

Each entry in the calendar gives the names of the parties, the names of their attorneys, the motion to be argued, and the date of joinder in error or demurrer or date of notice of motion. Some entries have notes stating the date the motion was argued. A calendar was made up by the clerk for each term of court. The affidavits and notices of motions, error books, demurrer books, briefs, and other documents supporting the attorneys' arguments for or against enumerated motions are found in the various series containing motion papers.

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Related Information

Related Material

J0125Series J0125, New York State Supreme Court of Judicature (Geneva) Motions and Notices of Joinder in Demurrer and

J0001Series J0001, New York State Supreme Court of Judicature (Albany and Geneva) Miscellaneous Motions contain motions filed at Geneva.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Container list.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

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

Administrative Information

Custodial History

The Court of Appeals placed these records on deposit at the Historical Documents Collection, Queens College, from 1973-1982.

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Access Terms

- Certiorari
- Writ of error
- Courts
- New York (State)
- Appellate procedure
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- Motions (Law)
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- New York (State). Supreme Court of Judicature