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**New York State Supreme Court of Judicature (New York)
Judgment Rolls JN529**

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series consists mostly of judgment rolls filed by the clerk of the Supreme Court of Judicature in New York City, prior to July 1, 1847. It also includes judgment rolls of the reorganized Supreme Court, July 1-December 31, 1847, filed by the New York County Clerk. A judgment roll (also called a judgment record) contains a summary of the pleadings and other proceedings in a common-law action, including the trial if there was one. At the conclusion of the judgment roll is the final determination by the court and the amount of the money judgment (debt and/or damages, court costs). The file may contain additional documents relating to defendant's attorney and bail, and satisfaction (payment) of the judgment debt.
Creator:	New York (State). Supreme Court of Judicature (New York)
Title:	Supreme Court of Judicature (New York) judgment rolls
Quantity:	240.5 cubic feet
Inclusive Date:	1781, 1783, 1799–1847
Bulk Date:	1799-1847
Series:	JN529

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Arrangement

Chronological by year of filing judgment, then alphabetical by first letter of surname of defendant, then numerical by assigned sequential number.

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Scope and Content Note

This series includes judgments handed down by the Supreme Court of Judicature in civil cases and some court documents that preceded those judgments. Judgments, in this case, are

money judgments, or cases in which the defendant in a civil case must pay the plaintiff money or the equivalent in goods to satisfy a debt or obligation. Early cases documented in the series pertain to the confiscation of the real property of Loyalists.

These judgment rolls contain pleadings, complaints, answers, affidavits of appearance, judgment records, notices of appeal, bills of cost, and notices of satisfaction. Records may also include lists of jurors. Together, these records document the background to the dispute (usually debt involving promissory notes or sales and tort actions relating to negligence suits), the judgment, and the reasons for the judgment.

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Related Information

Related Material

JN117 Law Judgments Index indexes these records by plaintiff, defendant, date, and reference number.

Related Publications

Inventory of New York County Clerk Court Records of Statewide Significance (New York State Unified Court System, Office of Court Administration, 2016), section 5.29, pages 266-269.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Inventory of New York County Clerk Court Records of Statewide Significance (New York State Unified Court System, Office of Court Administration, 2016), sect. 5.29, pp. 266-69.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

Use and reproduction of fragile documents may be restricted.

Alternate Formats Available

Items Online

High resolution images of selected original documents in this series are available in State Archives Digital Collections.

[Supreme Court of Judicature \(New York\) Judgment Rolls, 1781-1847, in Digital Collections](#)

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

These records were transferred by the New York State Unified Court System, Office of Court Administration in 2017.

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Access Terms

- Judicial records
- Adjudicating
- Court Records Project
- Judgments
- New York (State)
- New York (N.Y.)
- Appellate procedure
- Appellate courts
- New York (State). Supreme Court of Judicature