



*New York State Archives*

**New York State Supreme Court of Judicature (New York)  
Writs of Capias ad Respondendum and Other Sheriff's Writs  
JN543**

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## Overview of the Records

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<b>Repository:</b>	New York State Archives
<b>Summary:</b>	Collection contains writs of arrest and a small number of other writs, issued out of the Supreme Court of Judicature. Over ninety percent of the documents are writs of capias ad respondendum, ordering a sheriff to arrest a civil defendant, thereby bringing him into the court's custody to answer the plaintiff's declaration of claim. Also present are writs of fieri facias and writs of capias ad satisfaciendum, ordering a sheriff to execute a civil judgment, and other writs for special purposes. At the end of the series are a few writs issued by the Court of Chancery, 1810-1813.
<b>Creator:</b>	New York (State). Supreme Court of Judicature (New York)
<b>Title:</b>	Writs of capias ad respondendum and other sheriff's writs
<b>Quantity:</b>	4.4 cubic feet
<b>Inclusive Date:</b>	1736-1840
<b>Bulk Date:</b>	1759-1815
<b>Series:</b>	JN543

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## Arrangement

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Chronological by year, then in some cases alphabetical by initial letter of filing attorney's surname.

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## Scope and Content Note

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JN543-17: Collection contains writs of arrest and a small number of other writs, issued out of the Supreme Court of Judicature. Over ninety percent of the documents are writs of capias ad respondendum, ordering a sheriff to arrest a civil defendant, thereby bringing him into the court's custody to answer the plaintiff's declaration of claim. Also present are writs of fieri

facias and writs of capias ad satisfaciendum, ordering a sheriff to execute a civil judgment, and other writs for special purposes. At the end of the series are a few writs issued by the Court of Chancery, 1810-1813.

JN543-19: This accretion contains mostly writs of capias ad respondendum and capias ad satisfaciendum. Several other types of writs are also present.

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## Related Information

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### Related Material

### 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 5.41, pages 311-321.

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## Use of Records

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### Access Restrictions

Use and reproduction of fragile documents may be restricted.

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## Administrative Information

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### Custodial History

This collection of writs was assembled from several locations in the New York County Clerk's Office by staff of the Unified Court System. These writs are a small remnant of what must have been very large collections of writs that were discarded probably in the early twentieth century.

## **Acquistion Information**

These records were transferred by the New York State Unified Court System, Office of Court Administration in 2017 and 2019.

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## **Access Terms**

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- Adjudicating
- Courts
- Court Records Project
- Judicial records
- New York (State)
- Court records