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STATE BANK OF CAMDEN RECORDS

1812-1837

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Descriptive Summary

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   State Bank of Camden (Camden, N.J.)

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Language of Materials
   Materials are in English

Abstract
   The State Bank of Camden Records contains correspondence and financial documents relating to the bank’s founding and transactions by some of its stockholders.

Administrative Information

Restrictions to Access
   The collection is open to researchers. It is on deposit at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, and should be accessed through the Society’s reading room at 1300 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA. Visit their website, http://www.hsp.org/, for reading room hours.

Acquisition Information
   Gift of John A. McAllister; forms part of the McAllister Collection

Processing Information
   The State Bank of Camden Records was formerly interfiled within the large and chronologically arranged McAllister Manuscript Collection. The papers were reunited, arranged, and described as a single collection in 2005, under a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the William Penn Foundation. The collection was processed by Sandra Markham. Any views, findings, conclusions or recommendations expressed in this finding aid do not necessarily represent those of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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The State Bank at Camden was founded in 1812 when the New Jersey General Assembly passed an act to establish banks at Camden, Trenton, New Brunswick, Elizabeth, Newark, and Morris. The Camden bank, incorporated sixteen years before the city itself, was permitted a subscription total of $800,000, and was the most heavily capitalized of the six (Newark and New Brunswick followed with $400,000 each). The bank’s first president was William Rossell, a judge from Mt. Holly. The first cashier, Richard M. Cooper, became the bank president by 1814 and served in the position for twenty-nine years. The second cashier was William Hillegas, and Richard W. Ogden held the office for at least a decade from the mid-1820s.

In 1865 the State Bank at Camden became the National State Bank of Camden. The first of its series of mergers took place in 1922, when it joined with the First National Bank to become the First National State Bank. A second took place in 1927 when a merger with the Camden National Bank resulted in the First Camden National Bank & Trust Company.

Collection Overview

The State Bank of Camden Records spans the period from 1812 through 1837 and contains correspondence and financial documents relating to the bank’s founding and transactions by some of its stockholders. The collection is divided into two series: Correspondence and Documents.

Series I, Correspondence (1813-1837) contains a few random letters regarding routine financial transactions.
Series II, Documents (1812-1837) holds a dozen letters of attorney, three promissory notes, an undated manuscript list of bank directors, and a group of stock certificates issued between 1814 and 1834. The final folder contains receipts issued to some of the bank’s earliest shareholders, certifying installment payments on “Capital Stock of the State Bank at Camden, Subject to the law establishing State Banks, in New-Jersey” dated March 1812, and signed by four commissioners: Joseph Cooper, Joseph Rogers, Azel Pierson, and Joseph Sloan.
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Powers of attorney

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13 McClurg, Alexander, to Trevor McClurg 1835 Dec 8
14 Martin, John, to David Walton 1831 Nov 5
15 Martin, John, to William Chandler 1833 Apr 20
16 Phipps, Mary & Sarah, to Robert W. Ogden 1827 Mar 3
17 Physick, Abigail, to Robert W. Ogden 1827 Oct 27
18 Pickering, Elihu, to Robert W. Ogden 1827 Sep 16
19 Price, Mary, to Robert W. Ogden 1828 Dec 19
20 Wayman, Abigail L., to Robert W. Ogden 1827 Dec 13
21 Wood, David C., to Robert W. Ogden 1829 Jan 21
22 Woolman, Thomas B., to Robert W. Ogden 1834 Sep 2

Promissory notes

23 Brewer, William undated
24 Davis, Nathan 1821
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