

Dickinson, John Dean; Papers

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Summary Information

Repository: M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives

Title: John Dean Dickinson Papers

ID: mss062

Date [inclusive]: 1796-1834

Physical Description: 1 cubic ft.

Physical Location: The materials are located onsite in the department.

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Material:

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[Collection]:

Abstract: This collection contains letters, deeds, and retained copies of legal

documents kept by John Dean Dickinson as an attorney and landowner in Lansingburg and Troy, New York in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. Dickinson served in the New York State Assembly and the

United States Congress.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Sketch

John Dean Dickinson was born on June 28, 1767 in Middletown, Connecticut. Dickinson went on to graduate from Yale College in 1785, and was admitted to the bar in April 1791. Dickinson practiced law in Lansingburg and Troy, New York. Dickinson was also president of the Farmers Bank of Troy from 1801-1841. During his time as a lawyer, Dickinson was a director and founder of the Rensselear and Saratoga Insurance Co. in 1814, as well as the first president of the Troy Lyceum of Natural History in 1818.

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Dickinson served as a member of the New York State Assembly from 1816-1817. Dickinson then went on to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives as a Federalist from 1819-1823, and as a Whig from 1827-1831. During his time in Congress he also became a trustee of the Rensselar Polytechnic Institute in 1824. Dickinson continued to practice law after he retired from Congress, and died on January 28, 1841. He is interred at Oakwood Cemetery.

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Arrangement of the Collection

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Administrative Information

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Acquisition Information

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- New York State-- Assembly
- U. S. Congress
- Troy (N.Y.)