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SUMMARY

Size	0.6 linear ft.
Geographic Locations	Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Inclusive Dates	1790-1967
Languages	English
Summary	The papers of Ashton L. Stewart, a lawyer who represented the Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge, Louisiana, relate to the lawsuit against Al H. German in the 19th Judicial District Court. The lawsuit involved the Commission's attempts to purchase the Prince Murat House (now known as the Magnolia Mound Plantation House), then situated on land owned by German, and move it to another site.
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Related Collections	Magnolia Mound Plantation Conveyance and Agreement, Mss. 3059, Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, LSU Libraries, Baton Rouge, La.
Citation	Ashton L. Stewart Papers, Mss. 2445, Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, LSU Libraries Special Collections, Baton Rouge, La.
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BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

Ashton L. Stewart was a lawyer from Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He represented the Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge in a lawsuit against Al H. German in the 19th Judicial District Court.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The papers of Ashton L. Stewart relate to the Recreation and Park Commission's lawsuit (No. 115-586) against Al H. German in the 19th Judicial District Court. The lawsuit involved the Commission's attempts to purchase the Prince Murat House (now known as the Magnolia Mound Plantation House), then situated on land owned by German, and move it to another site.

The papers include photocopies of deeds, wills, successions, and land sales that trace the ownership of the Prince Murat House through the nineteenth and twentieth centuries; minutes of meetings of the Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge regarding the proposed purchase of the house; correspondence concerning efforts of historians to establish whether Murat actually ever lived in the house; resumes of house appraisers and forestry specialists who consulted on the case; planning and zoning maps; Baton Rouge lot and block maps; photocopies of successions and land documents presented as evidence in the lawsuit; and several color photographs of the house dating from 1966.

INDEX TERMS

Materials relating to these people, places, and things can be found throughout the entire collection.

Actions and defenses--Louisiana--Baton Rouge.
Bills of sale.
Cadastral maps.
Conveyances.
Cultural property--Protection--Law and legislation--Louisiana--Baton Rouge.
German, Al H.
Forestry consultants--Louisiana--Baton Rouge.
Historians--Louisiana--Baton Rouge.
Historic buildings--Louisiana--Baton Rouge.
Historic preservation--Government policy--Louisiana--Baton Rouge.
Land titles--Registration and transfer--Louisiana--Baton Rouge.
Lawyers--Louisiana--Baton Rouge.
Letters (correspondence)
Louisiana. District Court (19th Judicial District)
Magnolia Mound Plantation House (Baton Rouge, La.)
Minutes.
Murat, Achille.
Photographs.
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Resumes.
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CONTAINER LIST

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91:29		1	1	Copies of succession of Jane Stanley; John Joyce and John Turnbull Spanish records, 1790-1804
			2	Handwritten list of folders filed in evidence, undated
			3	Copies (negative photostats) of documents pertaining to property owned by Mistress Constance Rochon, widow of Armand Duplantier, 1827-1904
			4	Copies (including negative photostats) of documents filed in evidence pertaining to the sale of Gartness Plantation, which was purchased by Louisiana State University from Charles P. Williams, 1829-1918
		2	1	Photocopies of documents from the case of Achille Murat vs. Leon Bonecaze (or Bonnecaze), 1837-1838
			2	Photocopies of the succession of Louis Barillier and Mrs. Elizine (or Elezeme) Barillier (succession includes inventory which lists property in Beaugard Town), 1903
			3	"Looking Backward" by Mrs. H. F. Magruder from the <i>Proceedings of the Historical Society of East and West Baton Rouge (Volume II)</i> , 1918
			4	Photocopies of letters by Nan A. Bradley to Professor A. J. Hanna and copies of Murat material at Rollins College, 1939-1940, 1966
			5	Zoning District Map (City-Parish Planning Commission), 1958; minutes of the meeting of the City Council Zoning Ordinance, 1965; sale of the Prince Murat House, 1958-1966
			6	Photocopies of cash sales of Bocage lots and University View Apartments, Inc., filed in evidence, 1964-1966
7	Copies of Bocage plat maps, 1965			
8	Photocopies of cash sales of property in the suburbs of South Baton Rouge, Nicholson Drive Estates, etc., filed in evidence, 1965-1966			
9	Lot and block maps and photocopies of tree appraiser documents, qualifications of appraiser, and correspondence with Mr. Al German, filed in evidence, 1965-1966			
10	Copies of correspondence and documents of special meetings of the Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge, filed in evidence, 1966-1967			

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		12-14	Colored photographs of Magnolia Mound Plantation House and grounds, 1966