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**A Finding Aid to the
Proskauer Family Papers**

Manuscript Collection No. 254



Collection Summary

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| Title | Proskauer Family Papers |
| Dates | 1863-1948 |
| Collection Number | MS-254 |
| Repository | The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives |
| Creator | Proskauer Family |
| Extent | 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box) |
| Language of the Material | English |

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch Adolph Proskauer was born in Germany in 1826 and immigrated to the United States before 1856. He was a prosperous merchant in Mobile, Alabama, and fought in the Confederate Army during the Civil War, rising to the rank of Major of the 12th Alabama Regiment. After the war, he moved his family to St. Louis where he continued his business affairs. He died in 1900. His son, Arthur Joseph Mayer Proskauer, was an engineer with the railroads and a Captain in the US Army during World War I. He was also an aspiring author.

Scope and Content Correspondence and other papers of Adolph Proskauer, his wife, Julia Proskauer, and his son, Arthur Joseph Mayer Proskauer. Includes plays, poems, and essays written by Arthur Proskauer; reminiscences of the life of John Proskauer of Breslau, Germany, who immigrated to Philadelphia in 1848, written in 1948 by his granddaughter, Jenny Proskauer; papers and correspondence relating to Adolph Proskauer's Civil War experiences; and correspondence and business papers of both Adolph and Arthur Proskauer.

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Index Terms

Subjects Jewish businesspeople / Jews -- Alabama -- Mobile / Jews -- Missouri -- Saint Louis / Proskauer, Adolph, 1826-1900 / Proskauer, Arthur Joseph Mayer / Proskauer, Jenny / Proskauer, John / Proskauer, Julia / United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Participation, Jewish

Corporate Names Confederate States of America. Army Alabama Regiment, 12th (1861-1865) / Proskauer Family

Series A. General, 1863-1948

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 1. General correspondence, A-W, unidentified.

Box 1. Folder 2. Proskauer, Adolph. Business papers and miscellaneous.

Box 1. Folder 3. Proskauer, A. J. M. Correspondence.

Box 1. Folder 4. Titled manuscripts, A-H [A. J. M. Proskauer].

Box 1. Folder 5. Titled manuscripts, I-T [A. J. M. Proskauer].

Box 1. Folder 6. Titled manuscripts, W-Y [A. J. M. Proskauer].

Box 1. Folder 7. Untitled manuscripts [A. J. M. Proskauer], undated

Box 1. Folder 8. Proskauer family miscellaneous.