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**W. Earl Smith fonds**

**PF113**

## Summary

The "W. Earl Smith fonds" Fonds contains:

0 Subgroups or Sous-fonds

0 Series

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0 Files

0 File parts

4 Items

0 Components

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**W. Earl Smith fonds. -- 1921, [1952?], 1963-[1964?]. -- 8 p.**

**Biographical/Sketch/Administrative History**

William Earl Smith, commonly known as W. Earl Smith, was born in Warton, Ontario, on March 10th, 1892. He attended the University of Toronto, where he received a BA degree in 1916. After serving as a Sergeant-Major during the First World War, Smith enrolled in Osgoode Hall Law School in 1919. Smith was called to the Bar in 1921 (graduated as a Bronze Medallist) and was appointed a King's Counsel in 1945. Practising law primarily in Toronto, Smith served as Secretary of the Law Society of Upper Canada from June 21st, 1934 to June 30th, 1966. He also served as Secretary of the Conference of Representatives of the Governing Bodies of the Legal Profession in the Provinces of Canada for 15 years. Smith died on December 28th, 1967.

**Scope and Content**

Fonds consists of records pertaining to the legal certification W. Earl Smith and other activities. Records include his Call to the Bar certificate from 1921, notes for a speech, and membership certificates from social and law-related groups.

**Restrictions**

No restrictions on access.

**Arrangement**

Fonds is arranged chronologically.

**Title Notes**

Title based on contents of the fonds.

985310-001 Call to the Bar certificate issued to William Earl Smith. -- 19 May 1921. -- 1 p. ; 27.5 x 40 cm

*Scope and Content*

Item is a call to the Bar certificate issued to William Earl Smith.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the item.

985310-002 Certificate of membership in the Order of the Good Time issued to W. Earl Smith. -- [1952?]. -- 1 p. ; 26 x 30.5 cm

*Scope and Content*

Item is a certificate of membership issued to W. Earl Smith by the Order of the Good Time, a Nova Scotia based social club.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the item.

985310-003 Certificate of honorary life membership in the Medico-Legal Society of Toronto. -- 6 May 1963. -- 1 p. ; 37 cm x 26 cm

*Scope and Content*

Item is an honorary life membership certificate issued to W. Earl Smith by the Medico-Legal Society of Toronto.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the item.

985310-004 Speech notes. -- [1964?]. -- 5 p.

*Scope and Content*

Item is a set of handwritten notes in pencil, prepared by W. Earl Smith, believed to be for a speech to commemorate his 30-year tenure as Secretary of the Law Society of Upper Canada.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the item.