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**John Black Aird fonds. -- [194-]-1949. -- 84.5 cm of textual records, 1 photograph : b&w ; 28 x 35.4 cm**

**Biographical/Sketch/Administrative History**

John Black Aird was born on May 5th, 1923, in Toronto, the grandson of financier Sir John Aird. He attended Upper Canada College and Trinity College at the University of Toronto. During the Second World War, Aird served in the Royal Canadian Navy volunteer reserve. He was admitted to Osgoode Hall Law School in 1946 and was called to the Bar in 1949. Based in Toronto, Aird practised law at his own firm, which became Aird & Berlis in 1978. In addition to his legal career, Aird was appointed a Liberal senator in 1964 and served in that role until 1974, when he resigned to become chairman of the Institute of Research on Public Policy. He was also chairman of the Canadian section of the Canada-US Joint Board on Defence between 1971 and 1979. From 1980 to 1985, Aird served as the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario. During this period, he was also chancellor of Wilfrid Laurier University (1977 to 1985) and became chancellor of the University of Toronto in 1986. Aird was appointed to the Order of Ontario in 1987 and was made a companion to the Order of Canada in 1993. John Black Aird died in Toronto on May 6th, 1995.

**Scope and Content**

Fonds consists of records created and maintained by John Black Aird during his years as a student at the University of Toronto and Osgoode Hall Law School. Included are course materials and a class composite photograph from Osgoode Hall Law School.

**Restrictions**

No restrictions on access.

**Arrangement**

The fonds has been arranged into two series.

**Title Notes**

Title based on contents of the fonds.

## **PF198-1 Course material. -- [194-]-1949. -- 84.5 cm of textual records**

### *Scope and Content*

Series consists of course material maintained by John Black Aird during his years as a student at the University of Toronto and Osgoode Hall Law School. Included in the series are notes, printed materials and examination questions, document the nature of Aird's studies and his work as a student, as well as the curriculum of Osgoode Hall Law School during this period.

### *Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

### *Arrangement*

The records in the series have been arranged in alphabetical order.

### *Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the series.

997047-001 Administrative law. -- 1947. -- 4 cm of textual records

### *Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes and typescript course materials created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of administrative law taken by Aird in 1947.

### *Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-002 American history. -- 1943-1946. -- 1.5 cm of textual records

### *Scope and Content*

File consists of notes, essays, essay questions and examination questions created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student at the University of Toronto in 1945 and 1946. These records pertain to a course offered by the Department of History titled "Canada and the United States since 1763". The notes in this file relate to a number of American history subjects including the American Revolution, Hamilton and Jefferson, American presidents and the Monroe Doctrine. Also included are essays and supporting notes on the subjects "The effect of the frontier in the U.S. in the generation after 1815" and "Why did the U.S. fail to enter the League of Nations".

### *Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-003 Bills and notes. -- 1947. -- 2 cm of textual records

### *Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes and government bills created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of bills and notes taken by Aird in the fall of 1947.

### *Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-004 Canadian history. -- 1945-1946. -- 1 cm of textual records

### *Scope and Content*

File consists of notes, an essay, essay questions, a course syllabus and examination questions created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student at the University of Toronto in 1945 and 1946. These records pertain to two courses offered by the Department of History, "Canada and the United States since 1763" and "Modern world history".

### *Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-005 Cases on bills of exchange: Faculty of Law, University of British Columbia. -- [194-]. -- 1.5 cm of textual records

### *Scope and Content*

Item is a collection of legal cases pertaining to bills of exchange and promissory notes, produced by the Faculty of Law at the University of British Columbia.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-006 Cases and materials on constitutional law / by Bora Laskin. -- 1948. -- 2.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

Item is a collection of course materials maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of constitutional law taken by Aird in 1948 and 1949 and taught by Bora Laskin.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-007 Cases and materials on labour law / Bora Laskin. -- 1947. -- 4 cm of textual records (313 p.)

*Scope and Content*

Item is an annotated collection of legal cases pertaining to labour law, selected and compiled by Osgoode Hall Law School professor Bora Laskin and used by John Black Aird while a student-at-law in 1947.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-008 Cases and materials on the law of torts, 2nd ed. / Cecil A. Wright, K.C.. -- 1946. -- 10.5 cm of textual records (816 p.)

*Scope and Content*

Item is an annotated collection of legal cases pertaining to the law of torts, selected and compiled by Osgoode Hall Law School professor Cecil A. Wright and used by John Black Aird while a student-at-law in 1946.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-009 Companies. -- 1948. -- 1.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of company law taken by Aird in 1948.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-010 Conflict of laws. -- 1948. -- 3 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of conflict of laws taken by Aird in the fall of 1948.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-011 Conflict of laws: case list & comment. -- [between 1946 and 1949]. -- 0.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created by John Black Aird for a course on the conflict of laws, taken while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-012 Constitutional law. -- 1948-1949. -- 3 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes, a course syllabus and typescript course materials created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of constitutional law taken by Aird in 1948 and 1949 and taught by Bora Laskin.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-013 Contract I. -- 1946. -- 1.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of contract law taken by Aird in the fall of 1946.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-014 Contracts II. -- 1947. -- 2.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes and typescript course materials created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of contracts taken by Aird in the fall of 1947.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-015 Crimes. -- 1947. -- 2.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School in 1947. These records pertain to a class on the subject of criminal law and procedure.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-016 Equity. -- [1947?]. -- 2 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of equity taken by Aird and are organized by chapter and subject.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-017 Evidence. -- 1947-1948. -- 3.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes, a course syllabus and other course materials created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of evidence taken by Aird in 1947 and 1948.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-018 Labour law. -- [1947?]. -- 3.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes and typescript course materials created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of labour law taken by Aird.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-019 Mortgages & sale of land. -- 1947-1948. -- 1.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of blank legal forms, exam notes and other course materials created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of mortgages and sales of land taken by Aird in 1947 and 1948.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-020 Municipal law. -- [1948?]. -- 0.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of municipal law taken by Aird.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-021 Political science course materials. -- 1943-1946. -- 1.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of notes and examination questions created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student at the University of Toronto in 1945 and 1946. These records pertain to a course offered by the Department of Political Science titled "Modern political theory and institutions" and are organized into subjects such as "Soviet Russia", "democratic theories" and "Socialism."

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the file.

997047-022 Practice. -- 1947. -- 1.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School in 1947. These records pertain to a class on the subject of legal practice.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-023 Practice. -- 1948. -- 2 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of legal practice taken by Aird in the fall of 1948.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-024 Practice II. -- 1947. -- 1.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to the second of two courses on the subject of legal practice taken by Aird in 1947.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-025 Property I. -- [1946 or 1947]. -- 2 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of property taken by Aird.

*Restrictions*



No restrictions on access.

997047-026 Property II. -- 1947. -- 4.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes and typescript course materials created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of property taken by Aird in 1947 and are organized by subject.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-027 Summary - wills & trusts. -- 1948. -- 1.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes and examination questions created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a 3rd-year course on the subject of wills and trusts taken by Aird in 1948.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-028 Taxation. -- 1948-1949. -- 2.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes and a course syllabus created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of income tax taken by Aird from September 1948 to April 1949.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-029 Torts: winter term. -- 1947. -- 2 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of torts taken by Aird from January to May 1947.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-030 University of Toronto, Faculty of Arts, class and prize lists, 1946. -- 1946. -- 0.5 cm of textual records (1 v.)

*Scope and Content*

Item is a published list of students and their grades for courses taken in the first, second and third years of study in the Faculty of Arts at the University of Toronto from May 1946. Results for John Black Aird appear in the third-year section of the booklet.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-031 Wills & trusts. -- [between 1946 and 1949]. -- 7.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of annotated course materials on the subject of wills and trusts maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-032 Wills and trusts. -- [1948?]. -- 1 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes, a course syllabus and typescript course materials created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on

the subject of wills and trusts taken by Aird.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

997047-033 Wills & trusts. -- 1948-1949. -- 4 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of handwritten notes created and maintained by John Black Aird while a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. These records pertain to a course on the subject of wills and trusts taken by Aird from September 1948 to April 1949.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

**PF198-2 Photograph. -- 1949. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 28 x 35.4 cm**

*Scope and Content*

Series consists of a photograph maintained by John Black Aird.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the series.

P1849 Graduating class, 1949, Osgoode Hall Law School. -- 1949. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 28 x 35.4 cm

*Scope and Content*

Item is a composite photograph of the graduating class of Osgoode Hall Law School for 1949. Includes images of faculty and graduates and one of Osgoode Hall. Each individual image is identified by name. Depicted are: [students] J.L. Agro, J.B. Aird, H.W. Aitcheson, W.R. Allen, B.W.N. Apple, Wm. Argue, H.C. Arrell, D.A. Bales, R.E. Barnes, C.D. Beccario, P.W. Benson, P. Bergart, D.A. Berlis, M.A. Bitz, S.A. Bjarnason, A.J. Bourassa, G.S. Boychyn, H.G. Bewster, J.W. Brooke, Earl Brown, F.C. Brown, N.C. Brown, W.R. Buchner, J.W. Burrige, M.A. Cadsby, J.A. Cameron, A.G. Campbell, G.C. Campbell, C. DeV. Carpenter, G.R. Carton, J.T. Carvell, F.J. Chauvin, E.A. Christie, C.E. Clarke, C.R. Clarke, L.D. Clarke, J.L. Cohen, R.J. Colonnier, J.B. Conlin, E.E. Coutts, J.W. Cram, E.N. Crawford, J.R. Crerar, H.A.V. Dancause, R.H. Davis, C.F. Doyle, Miss B.J. Duncan, E.A. DuVernet, Miss S. Dymond, W.A. Ehgoetz, D.A. Elliott, T.S. Farley, D.A. Flock, M.C. Foster, M.E. Fram, T.O. Fraser, S.C. French, R.H. Frith, C.S. Frost, J.A. Fullerton, J.B. Galbraith, G.A. Gallagher, H.B. Galloway, P.G. Givens, G.W. Goetz, D. Goldberg, J.W.F. Goodchild, W.D. Goodman, R.L. Graham, J.S. Grant, G.A. Green, J.M. Greer, H.A. Gregory, J.M. Gunn, G.N. Guyatt, M.J. Haffey, J.J. Hall, A.J. Hanes, L.C. Harrington, H.M. Harrison, I.C. Hart, J.S. Hartman, T.F.M. Hartney, J.M. Hodgson, R.C. Honey, R.H. Honeyford, B.C. Howard, W.A. Inch, T.J. Jacob, M.E.H. Jones, R.S. Jones, N.H. Karal, H.W. Kelly, G.M. Kennedy, Miss T. Kerr, D.G. Kilgour, G.F. Kinsman, M.N. Lacourciere, S.W. Laughlin, J.B. Lawson, W.W. Leach, B.J. Legge, W.A. Lencki, Jos. Lieff, W.L. Maddin, D.L. Magee, M.L. Magill, G.J. Majic, L. Maraskas, A.J. Marck, J.K. Marcus, J.G. Martin, A.K. Meen, G.P. Miller, H.S.O. Morris, Miss J.W. Morris, P.J. Morris, M.T.J. Morrissey, D.F. Mossop, M.N. Mousseau, K.A. Murchison, G.L. Murdoch, C.T. Murphy, E.J. Myers, C.D. McCallum, Ira McCallum, A.J. McComiskey, J.H. McConnell, R.S. McCreath, D.J. MacDonald, G.S. Macdonald, I.T. Macdonald, C.H. McGrath, G.A. Mackay, J.I. McKay, R.S. Mackay, C.F. McKeon, H.F. McKerracher, D.M. McKerroll, D.S. McLauchlin, A.J. MacLeod, N.J. McLeod, D.J. McNab, Paul McNamara, J.G. McNaughton, J.A. McQuarrie, G.E. McTurk, E.H. McVitty, J.P. Nelligan, J.S. Nutt, R.D. Osborne, H.J. O'Donnell, J.W. Dec. O'Grady, K.K. O'Hara, R.C. O'Neal, G.J. O'Neill, J.B. O'Reilly, H.B. Parkinson, V.L. Paskaloff, G. Perley-Robertson, N.M. Peters, E.J. Pivnick, J.A. Pocock, W.R. Poole, E.G. Porter, R.D. Poupore, S.D. Pugsley, F.V. Regan, J.L. Reid, J.R. Reid, R.F. Reid, W.H. Reid, S. Resnick, W.B. Rest, D.L. Richardson, W.F. Riley, J.L. Roberts, W.J. Robinson, Miss E.A. Robson, F. Rocchi, D.J. Roche, I.M. Rogers, A.B. Rosenberg, P.V. Rudden, A.A. Russell, D.K. Russell, R.M. Russell, N.V. Sawyer, S. Schwartz, W.A.W. Scott, D.N. Shanoff, G.R.H. Shaver, A.F. Sheppard, W.A.E. Sheppard, M.M. Simmonds, J.B. Simpson, R.E. Simms, R.S. Smart, D.A. Smith, W.L.N. Somerville, R.W. Spratt, F.M. Stark, D.R. Steele, F.C. Stinson, J.F. Swayze, S.D. Turner, R.R. Walker, D.P. Warren, W.R. Waterbury, W.J. Wheelton, R.C. White, L.S. Willoughby, L.C. Winhold, J.A. Winter, B.G. Winters, W.T. Wood, J.J.E. Woods, W.E.G. Young; [faculty] J.C. Thompson, K.C.; A.A. Macdonald, K.C.; J.D.

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*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.