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**Fern Levis fonds. -- [188-?]-[1965?], 1989. -- 0.5 cm of textual records, 58 photographs : b&w ; 24 x 17.5 cm or smaller**

**Biographical/Sketch/Administrative History**

Fern Levis was born in Toronto on 19 March 1920 to John William Levis and Ada Caroline Cox. She attended Etobicoke High School before enrolling at the University of Toronto, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts in 1941. In June 1941, she was accepted as a student-at-law at Osgoode Hall Law School. She was called to the Bar in June 1944 after completing her articles with W.C. Davis and J.C. McRuer. She spent much of her legal career at the Ministry of the Attorney General of Ontario in the Public Trustee's Office and was made a Queen's Counsel in 1969. In addition to her legal practice, Levis was a life member of Women's Law Association of Ontario and served as its president from 1966 to 1968. Levis died on 5 June 2003 in Toronto.

**Scope and Content**

Fonds consists of postcards written by Fern Levis to her father and a letter received by Levis from the Women's Law Association of Ontario, as well as photographs of Levis' extended family and friends, mostly unidentified.

**Provenance**

These records were donated to the Archives with the records of the Women's Law Association of Ontario, for which Levis had served as a president.

**Restrictions**

No restrictions on access.

**Title Notes**

Title based on contents of the fonds.

2006006-35P Photograph of two unidentified men. -- [between 1900 and 1920]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 4.8 x 3 cm on mat 8 x 5.4 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of two unidentified men.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-36P Photographs of unidentified woman. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 3 photographs : b&w ; 10 x 7 cm on mat 16 x 11.5 cm and 12.3 x 8.3 cm on mat 22.5 x 17.5 cm or smaller

*Scope and Content*

File consists of three studio portraits of the same unidentified woman, likely a relative of Fern Levis.

*Restrictions*

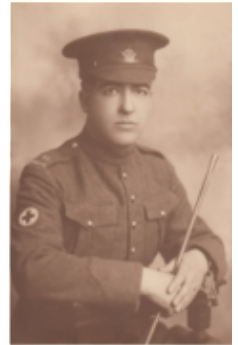
No restrictions on access.

Photographs are in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the file.

2006006-37P Photograph of unidentified man in Canadian Army Medical Corps uniform. -- [between 1914 and 1918]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 15 x 10 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified man seated in a chair, wearing a Canadian Army Medical Corps uniform and holding a metal stick.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-38P Photograph of two unidentified men posing with their bicycles. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 9.2 x 4.8 cm on mat 14 x 8 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of two men posing with their bicycles affixed with St. Alban's ribbons, wearing knickerbocker trousers and caps.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.  
Photo in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-39P Photograph of unidentified couple . -- [between 1915 and 1935]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 24 x 17.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified couple on their wedding day.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.  
Photo in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-40P Photograph of unidentified woman. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 11.5 x 8.7 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified woman.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.  
Photo is in public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-41P Photograph of unidentified woman. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 8 x 5.7 cm on mat 16 x 10.8 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified woman.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-42P Photograph of unidentified couple. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 14 x 10 cm on mat 18 x 12.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a photograph of an unidentified man and woman posed outdoors. The man wears a top hat and the woman a floral corsage.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-43P Photograph of woman in a wedding dress. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 13 x 7 on mat 21 x 13.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified woman posing in a white dress.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*



Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-44P Photographs of unidentified man. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 2 photographs : b&w ; 14 x 10 cm on mat 16.5 x 10.5 cm and 14 x 9.5 cm on mat 19 x 13.5 cm

*Scope and Content*

File consists of two studio portraits of the same unidentified man.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photos are in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the images.

2006006-45P Photograph of unidentified young woman. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 10 x 7 cm on mat 16.5 x 12 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified young woman.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-46P Photograph of unidentified woman. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 7.5 x 6 cm on mat 17 x 13.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified woman.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-47P Photograph of unidentified couple. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 14 x 10 cm on mat 22.5 x 14.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a woman, seated, and a man leaning on her chair.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-48P Photograph of young girl. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 10.5 x 7.5 cm on mat 15 x 11 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a young girl seated on a chair.

*Restrictions*

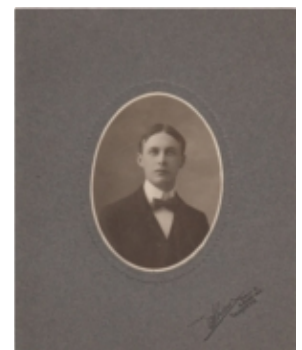
No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-49P Photograph of unidentified man. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 8.5 x 6 cm on mat 16.5 x 13.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified man.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-50P Photograph of unidentified young woman. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 11.5 x 8.5 cm on mat 18.5 x 13.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a young woman.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-51P Photograph of unidentified woman. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 13.5 x 7 on mat 20.8 x 13 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a seated woman.

*Restrictions*

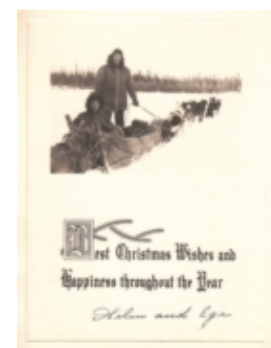
No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-52P Photograph of couple posing with dog sled. -- [between 1945 and 1965]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 14 x 10.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a photograph/Christmas card featuring an image of a woman seated in a dog sled and a man standing next to her, posed outdoors in the snow.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-53P Photograph of group of men and women outdoors. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 8.7 x 14 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a photograph of an informally posed group of men and women outdoors in a field.

*Restrictions*

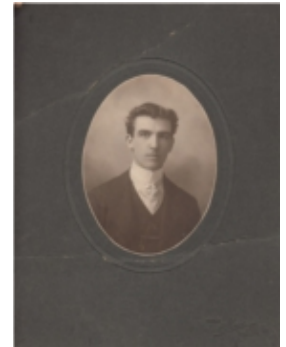
No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-54P Photograph of unidentified man. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 11.5 x 8.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified young man.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on content of the image.

2006006-55P Photograph of unidentified man. -- [between 1895 and 1915]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 15 x 10 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified man.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-56P Photograph of unidentified woman. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 4.5 x 3 cm on mat 10 x 6 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified young woman.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-57P Photograph of unidentified bearded man. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 14 x 10 cm on card 16.5 x 10.7 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a man with a long beard.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-58P Photograph of Vera May Levis. -- 1911. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 10 x 7.5 cm on mat 15 x 12.5 cm

*Scope and Content*

Item is a photograph of Vera May Levis, aged 3 years and 6 months, taken outside in the snow standing next to sheepskin-covered sled. Vera was the older sister of Fern Levis.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on annotation on verso.

2006006-59P Photograph of Mrs. Miller. -- Jan. 1896. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 9.7 x 7 cm on mat 15 x 11 cm

*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of Mrs. Miller (Maggi?) of Grand Valley, Ontario.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on annotation on verso.

2006006-60P Photographs of Miss L. Hunt. -- [between 1880 and 1900]. -- 2  
photographs : b&w ; 10 x 6.2 cm

*Scope and Content*

File consists of two studio portraits of Miss L. Hunt.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photos are in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on annotation on verso of one photograph

2006006-61P Photograph of unidentified young woman. -- [189-?]. -- 1 photograph  
: b&w ; 5 x 3.5 cm on mat 9.7 x 6.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a young woman.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-62P Photograph of two unidentified women. -- [189-?]. -- 1 photograph :  
b&w ; 7 x 7 cm on mat 11 x 11 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of two young women.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-63P Photograph of unidentified couple. -- [between 1895 and 1915]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 14.5 x 9.5 cm on mat 23 x 15.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified man and woman.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-64P Photograph of unidentified woman. -- [between 1890 and 1910]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 10 x 7 cm on mat 18 x 13 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified woman.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-65P Photograph of unidentified man. -- [between 1895 and 1915]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 10.6 x 8.2 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a young man with a floral corsage on his lapel.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-66P Photograph of unidentified man. -- [between 1895 and 1915]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 10 x 7 cm on mat 15.5 x 11 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified man.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-67P Photograph of unidentified woman. -- [between 1895 and 1915]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 14 x 9.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a woman seated in a chair.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-68P Photograph of unidentified man. -- [between 1895 and 1915]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 9.5 x 6.7 cm on mat 13.3 x 10.7 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of an unidentified man.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.



2006006-69P Photograph of unidentified family. -- [between 1900 and 1920]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 10 x 14 cm on mat 15.5 x 23 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a family consisting of a mother, father, three sons and a daughter.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-70P Photograph of three unidentified men. -- [between 1914 and 1918]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 16.5 x 12 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of three young men. One of the men, standing in the centre, is wearing a soldier's uniform.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-71P Photographs of unidentified Canadian soldier. -- [between 1914 and 1918]. -- 2 photographs : b&w ; 13.7 x 8.5 cm and 14 x 10 cm on mat 25.5 x 19 cm

*Scope and Content*

File consists of two studio portraits of an unidentified young man wearing a Canadian military uniform.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photos are in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the images.

2006006-72P Photograph of unidentified man. -- [between 1900 and 1920]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 14 x 9.5 cm on mat 27.5 x 20.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Photograph is a studio portrait of a man sitting in a chair.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-73P Photographs of baby on a chair. -- [between 1900 and 1920]. -- 2  
photographs : b&w ; 8.5 x 4.2 on mat 17.3 x 9.7 cm and 10 x 4.8 cm on mat 15 x 17  
cm

*Scope and Content*

File consists of two studio portraits of a baby seated on a chair.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photos are in the public domain

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the images.

2006006-74P Photograph of two girls and a baby. -- [between 1895 and 1915]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 14 x 10 cm on mat 19 x 13.8 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of two young girls wearing matching dresses and standing on either side of a baby seated in a chair and wearing a christening gown.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-75P Photograph of girl holding teddy bear. -- [between 1905 and 1910]. --  
1 photograph : b&w ; 10.8 x 8.2 cm in a card 11.2 x 9 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a young girl standing and posing with her teddy bear.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-76P Photograph of toddler standing on chair. -- [between 1895 and 1915].  
-- 1 photograph : b&w ; 10 x 6.2 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a young girl wearing a bonnet and coat, standing on a wicker chair.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-77P Photograph of young girl. -- [between 1942 and 1949]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 17.5 x 12.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait or possibly a school photo of a young girl.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-78P Photograph of young boy . -- [between 1945 and 1955]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 17 x 12 cm on mat 29 x 20 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a young boy holding a stuffed dog.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-79P Photograph of young boy. -- [between 1945 and 1955]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 14 x 9 cm on mat 23.5 x 16 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a young boy.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-80P Photograph of baby on a chair. -- [between 1895 and 1915]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 14 x 10 cm on mat 27.5 x 17.3 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a baby wearing what appears to be a christening gown, seated in an ornate chair.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-81P Photograph of baby standing on chair. -- [between 1895 and 1915]. --  
1 photograph : b&w ; 9.5 x 6.5 cm on mat 16 x 12 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a baby standing on a chair, wearing a white gown.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-82P Photograph of young girl. -- [between 1890 and 1900]. -- 1  
photograph : b&w ; 9.5 x 7 cm on mat 15 x 11 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a young girl wearing a long white dress.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-83P Photograph of a toddler and a little boy. -- [between 1890 and 1905]. -  
- 1 photograph : b&w ; 9.8 x 6.8 cm on mat 17 x 13.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a young standing next to a toddler boy sitting on a chair.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-84P Photograph of toddler standing on chair. -- [between 1890 and 1910].  
-- 1 photograph : b&w ; 14 x 9.5 cm on mat 25 x 17.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of toddler boy standing on an ornate chair.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

Photo is in the public domain.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-85P Photograph of little girl. -- [between 1945 and 1960]. -- 1 photograph :  
b&w ; 14 x 8.6 cm in mat 23.5 x 16.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a studio portrait of a young girl seated on a bench.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-86P Photograph of baby sitting on cushion. -- [between 1945 and 1965]. --  
1 photograph : b&w ; 14.5 x 9.5 in mat 24 x 16.5 cm



*Scope and Content*

Item is a portrait of a baby sitting on a large cushion or footstool.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the image.

2006006-150 Postcards and letter. -- 1955-1956, 1989. -- 0.5 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists mainly of postcards sent by Fern Levis to her father, John W. Levis, in August 1955 and July 1956 detailing her activities while camping with her mother, Ada Levis, in Algonquin Park, Ontario. Most of the postcards depict different images from the park. Also included is a July 1956 postcard sent to Levis from her nephew, Danny, as well as a 1989 letter written by then-president of the Women's Law Association of Ontario (WLAO), Sandra Chapnik, regarding Levis's nomination as an honorary life member of the WLAO.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the file.