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James Chalmers McRuer fonds. -- 1933-1965. -- 6 photographs : b&w ; 30 x 33 cm or smaller

Biographical/Sketch/Administrative History

James Chalmers McRuer was born on August 23rd, 1890, in Oxford County, Ontario, to John McRuer and Mary Chalmers. After studying at the University of Toronto, McRuer was admitted to Osgoode Hall Law Society in 1908 and was called to the Bar in 1914. He practiced with Skeans, McRuer, Buck (1914-1918) and as an assistant Crown Attorney for the City of Toronto (1921-1925). During the First World War, McRuer served with the Canadian Field Artillery and Anti-Aircraft Battery. McRuer was made a King's Counsel in 1929. In 1936, McRuer was elected a bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada, a position he held until his appointment as a justice with the Court of Appeal in 1944. McRuer served as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Ontario, High Court of Justice from 1945 to 1964. McRuer was also a member of the Bar in British Columbia and Alberta. He participated in several royal commissions, including those on civil rights and freedom of information and individual privacy. He served on the Ontario Law Reform Commission from 1964 to 1966. McRuer lectured at Osgoode Hall Law School, served as President of the Canadian Bar Association, President of the Canadian Save the Children's Fund, and as Honorary Consul for the Netherlands. McRuer died in Toronto on October 6th, 1985.

Scope and Content

Fonds consists of photographs relating to the life and career of James Chalmers McRuer. The photographs depict the ceremony opening the courthouse in Belleville, Ontario, a committee meeting, and Osgoode Hall Law School reunions.

Restrictions

No access restrictions.

Arrangement

The fonds is arranged chronologically.

Title Notes

Title based on content of the fonds.

997048-01P Osgoode Hall class of 1913 reunion, May 5th 1933, King Edward Hotel, Toronto. -- 5 May 1933. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 20.2 x 30.3 cm

Scope and Content

Item is a group photograph of attendees at the twenty year reunion of the Osgoode Hall Law School class of 1913. The reunion was held at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto.

Restrictions

No restrictions on access.

Photograph in the public domain.

Title Notes

Title printed on recto of the image.

997048-02P Osgoode Hall - class of 1913, reunion - May 1st, 1948. -- 1 May 1948. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 30.1 x 32.3 cm

Scope and Content

Item is a group photograph of attendees at the thirty fifth anniversary reunion of the Osgoode Hall Law School graduating class of 1913.

Restrictions

No restrictions on access.

Photograph in the public domain.

Title Notes

Title printed on recto of the image.

997048-03P Osgoode Hall - class of 1913, reunion - May 16, 1953. -- 16 May 1953. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 30 x 32.2 cm

Scope and Content

Item is a group photograph of attendees at the forty year reunion of the Osgoode Hall Law School class of 1913.

Restrictions

No restrictions on access.

Title Notes

Title printed on recto of the image.

997048-04P Osgoode Hall - class of 1913, reunion - May 24, 1958. -- 24 May 1958. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 30 x 32.3 cm

Scope and Content

Item is a group photograph of attendees at the forty five year reunion of the Osgoode Hall Law School class of 1913.

Restrictions

No restrictions on access.

Title Notes

Title printed on recto of the image.

997048-05P Opening of Belleville Courthouse. -- [195-?]. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 26 x 21 cm

Scope and Content

Item is a photograph of James Chalmers McRuer delivering a speech at the opening of the court house in Belleville, Ontario.

Restrictions

No restrictions on access.

Title Notes

Title based on content of item.

997048-06P Members of the Law Reform Commission. -- 1965. -- 1 photograph : b&w ; 17 x 21 cm

Scope and Content

Item is a photograph of the members of the Law Reform Commission seated around a table in what appears to be a meeting. The members of the commission are recorded on the verso.

Restrictions

No restrictions on access.

Title Notes

Title based on content of item.