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Biographical Sketch

Frank Ford was born on March 4th, 1873, in Toronto to James Ford and Catherine Poole. He married Nora Elizabeth Sampson (d. 1920) in Toronto in 1899, and together had four children. Ford later married Jane Duff of Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1923.

Ford earned Bachelor and Doctor of Civil Law degrees from Trinity University. He was admitted to Osgoode Hall Law School in 1890 and was called to the Bar in 1895. Ford served as Private Secretary to D'Alton McCarthy from 1893 to 1897, and was partner with the firm of Denton, Dods and Ford from 1897 to 1898. He later served as Private Secretary to A.S. Hardy, Ontario Premier, and then to J.M. Gibson, Attorney General of Ontario. Ford served as Solicitor to the Treasury from 1900 to 1904.

In 1906, Ford moved to western Canada. He was admitted to the Bar of the Northwest Territories, and served as Deputy Attorney General of Saskatchewan. In 1910, he joined the firm of Emery, Newell, Ford, Bolton and Mount in Edmonton, Alberta. Ford was appointed to the Supreme Court of Alberta in 1926 and to the Court of Appeal in 1936. He was appointed a King's Counsel in Saskatchewan (1907), Ontario (1910), and Alberta (1913).

Ford was involved with the Edmonton Diocese of the Anglican Church of Canada and served as Chancellor of the University of Alberta from 1941 to 1946. Ford retired in 1954. He died in Edmonton, Alberta, on March 21st, 1965.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

The records in the fonds were donated to the Archives of the Law Society of Upper Canada by F. Armour Ford in 1985.

Scope and Content

1888-1907
3.5 cm of textual records
6 ephemeral items

Fonds consists of records and ephemera relating to the education, professional career and social activities of Frank Ford.

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1888-1904

3.5 cm of textual records

Series consists of records relating to the education and teaching career of Frank Ford. Records include copies of examinations, Moot Court debates, an issue of the Trinity University newsletter, correspondence, a menu and programme, and an examination schedule.

<u>Reference code</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Dates</u>
985241-001	Examination papers, Faculty of Law	1888-1904
985229-001	Moot court cases	1891-1893
985241-002	<u>Trinity University Review</u>	Sept. 1890
985241-003	Correspondence with Rev. Professor Jones	1901, 1904
985241-004	Examination schedule of Trinity University, faculties of Arts and Law	June 1904
985241-005	Annual dinner of the Osgoode Legal and Literary Society	16 Dec. 1893

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Delta Chi fraternity

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1897-1907

5 ephemeral items

1 p. of textual records

Series consists of records relating to Frank Ford's involvement in the Delta Chi fraternity. Records include menus and programmes from banquets held in Ithaca, New York, and Toronto, and a certificate from the fraternity.

<u>Reference code</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Dates</u>
985241-006	Delta Chi installation banquet Osgoode Hall chapter	12 Mar. 1897
985241-007	Delta Chi decennial banquet	24 Nov. 1900
985241-008	Certificate granting shares in Delta Chi to Frank Ford	9 Mar. 1906
985241-009	Delta Chi initiation dinner	24 Mar. 1906
985241-010	Decennial banquet of the Osgoode Hall chapter, Delta Chi	12 Feb. 1907