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### **Finding Aid - Samuel George William Archibald fonds (MS-2-3, SF Box 13, Folder 1)**

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## Summary information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Dalhousie University Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Samuel George William Archibald fonds
<b>Reference code:</b>	MS-2-3, SF Box 13, Folder 1
<b>Date:</b>	[ca. 1819] (date of creation)
<b>Language:</b>	English
<b>Physical description:</b>	4 pages (1 folder)
<b>Note [generalNote]:</b>	Preferred citation: [Identification of item], Samuel George William Archibald fonds, MS-2-3, Box [box number], Folder [folder number], Dalhousie University Archives, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada.

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

The Hon. Samuel George Wilson Archibald was born on February 5, 1777 in Truro, Nova Scotia, the third son of Samuel Archibald and Rachel Todd. He was educated at Haverhill and Andover until 1796 and served as a protonotary of the Supreme Court and clerk of the peace for the district of Colchester before taking up the study of law in the Halifax office of Samuel Bradstreet Robie.

In 1805, Archibald was admitted as an attorney and barrister and in 1817 he was appointed, alongside William Halliburton, to Nova Scotia's first King's Counsel. He also served as surrogate general for the colony's vice admiralty court in 1818. In 1819, Archibald (unsuccessfully) prosecuted Richard John Uniacke, Jr., who took part in the last fatal duel in Nova Scotia. Archibald set up an oat mill in Truro in 1822. In addition, he served as Chief Justice for Prince Edward Island from 1824 to 1828, although he never resided on the island.

Archibald was elected to the House of Assembly for Halifax County from 1806 to 1836 and for Colchester County from 1836 to 1841. He was elected to the office of Speaker in 1825 and also served as Attorney General from 1832 until he left the Assembly in 1841 to become Master of the Rolls.

Archibald married Emma Dickson in 1802, with whom he had fifteen children. After her death in 1830, he married widow Joanna Brinley and had three daughters. Archibald died of a stroke on January 28, 1846.

### Custodial history

The materials were donated to Dalhousie University Archives in one accession in 1970. Prior to that, the records were in the custody of Jacob A. Johnson.

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## Scope and content

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Fonds consists of two notes from Lord Dalhousie, two letters (one photocopy) from Agricola (John Young), and one note regarding a property deed.

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## Notes

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### Title notes

### Physical condition

One of the (original) letters is faded. Another has small tears and holes.

### Alternative form available

Two items are transcribed and typed.

### Restrictions on access

There are no access restrictions on these materials. All materials are open for research.

### Conditions governing use

Materials do not circulate and must be used in the Archives and Special Collections Reading Room. Materials may be under copyright. Contact departmental staff for guidance on reproduction.

### Related material

See the Letter from Lord Dalhousie to W. Smith item (MS-2-69) for a letter from Lord Dalhousie.

### Accruals

Further accruals are not expected.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
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## Access points

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- Nova Scotia Legislative Assembly.

- Dalhousie, George Ramsay, Earl of, 1770-1838 (subject)
- Textual record (documentary form)
- Agriculture--Nova Scotia (subject)
- Chief justices (subject)
- Correspondence (subject)
- Deeds (subject)
- Lawyers (subject)
- Medicine--Nova Scotia--History--19th century (subject)
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- Personal archives (subject)
- Politicians (subject)
- Halifax (N.S.) (place)

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## Collection holdings

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