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## **Judge Richard E. Arnason Collection**

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Title:** Judge Richard E. Arnason Collection

**Dates:** 1913-1916; 1966-2014

**Collection Number:** 2014.58

**Creator/Collector:** Arnason, Richard

**Extent:** 16 boxes

**Repository:** Contra Costa County Historical Society  
Martinez, California 94553

**Abstract:** The Collection consists of artifacts and extensive court documents that once belonged to Judge Richard Arnason. Judge Arnason served as a Superior Court Judge for 49 years. He was the presiding judge in the Angela Davis trial, in 1972, which is arguably one of the most significant (for both legal and political reasons) cases of the latter 20th century.

**Language of Material:** English

**Access**

Collection is open for research.

**Preferred Citation**

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**Scope and Content of Collection**

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**Indexing Terms**

death penalty

judicial system

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Davis, Angela Y.

MaGee, Ruchell

Nem, Soknoeun

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