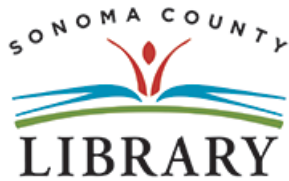


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### Overview of the Collection

**Title:** Lippitt & Lippitt papers

**Date (inclusive):** 1904-1934

**Identification:** SPC.00048

**Creator:** Lippitt, Frank K.,1885-1917

**Creator:** Lippitt, E. S.(Edward Spaulding),1824-1912

**Creator:** Johnson, Newton A.,1886-1930

**Creator:** Lippitt & Lippitt

**Physical Description:** 2.2 linear feet2 legal file boxes

**Language of Material:** Materials are in English.

**Repository:** Sonoma County History and Genealogy Library, Sonoma County Library

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**Abstract:** This collection contains court documents filed by and for Petaluma attorney Frank K. Lippitt. Includes civil cases related to estates and other matters represented by Lippitt between 1904 and 1934. Includes typescript copies of wills and subsequent announcements, attorney notes, court orders and file copies of court transcripts. Records relating to the estate of Martin O'Reilly, dated June 1913-January 1917, were executed by Petaluma attorney Newton A. Johnson; Frank K. Lippitt served as executor.

### Biography/Organization History

Frank Kavanaugh Lippitt was born in Petaluma, California, on March 9, 1885. After private schooling with his grandmother in Louisville, Kentucky, he returned to California and took a position in his brother-in-law's San Francisco coal business, then took up law under his father. Frank K. Lippitt entered partnership with his father, attorney (and judge) E. S. (Edward Spaulding) Lippitt (1824-1912), as Lippitt & Lippitt, with offices in the upper stories of the Mutual Relief Building at the corner of Western Avenue and Kentucky Street in Petaluma. He won a number of well-known cases and had a lucrative career, taking over the partnership following his father's death. After Frank K. Lippitt's retirement in June 1917 due to poor health, his associate, Newton A. Johnson (1886-1930), took over the firm until he himself retired and moved to Fresno. Lippitt died at his home in Petaluma on August 14, 1917 at age 52.

### Scope and Contents

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### Arrangement of the collection

Organized into three series:

1. Case files, 1904-1934
2. Martin O'Reilly estate documents, 1913-1917
3. Hellings estate documents, 1914

### Access Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection.

### Personal Names

Lippitt, Frank K., 1885-1917

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Lippitt, E. S. (Edward Spaulding), 1824-1912

Johnson, Newton A., 1886-1930

**Corporate Names**

Lippitt & Lippitt

**Topical Terms**

Lawyers--California--Petaluma

Lawyers--California--Petaluma--Correspondence

**Genre and Format Terms**

Probate records

Civil court records

Criminal court records

Correspondence

Documents (object genre)

Records and briefs

Legal instruments

Financial records

Ephemera

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