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Descriptive Summary
Title: Bradner Wells Lee papers
Date (inclusive): ca. 1890-1925
Collection number: 480
Creator: Lee, Bradner Wells, 1850-1925.
Extent: 9 boxes (4.5 linear ft.), 3 oversize boxes.
Abstract: Collection consists of correspondence and legal papers for cases handled by Los Angeles attorney Bradner W. Lee, who practiced law with his sons Bradner W. Lee, Jr. and Kenyon F. Lee.
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Biography
Lee was born on May 4, 1850 in East Groveland, NY; studied law in his uncle’s law office in Holly Springs, MS; admitted to the Mississippi bar in 1871, becoming the asst. US district attorney for the northern district of MS in the same year; moved to Los Angeles in 1879, where he practiced law with his two sons; served as attorney for executor and estate of E. J. (Lucky) Baldwin, who died in 1909; served as general counsel for the Murphy Oil Co.; declined appointment as judge of the LA county superior court in 1895; was chairman of the Republican county central committee for LA county, 1896-1910, and a member of the executive committee of the Republican State Central Committee, 1902-04; served as president of the California State Bar Assn., 1919-1920; he died on Apr. 28, 1925.

Scope and Content

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library’s online public access catalog.

Subjects
Lee, Bradner Wells, 1850-1925 --Archives.
Baldwin, Elias Jackson, 1828-1909.
Lawyers --California --Los Angeles --Archival resources.
Water utilities --California, Southern.
Box 1  Reporter's transcript: E.J. Baldwin vs. The Sierra Madre Water Co.
  Physical Description: 2 volumes.

Box 1  Abstract of all orders confirming sale of Real Estate filed in the estate of Elias J. Baldwin.
  Physical Description: 1 volume.

Box 1  Estate: order settling final account of executor and for distribution under the will.
  Physical Description: 2 copies.

Box 1  Inventory of properties remaining on hand belonging to the estate April 24, 1913.
  Physical Description: 2 copies.

Box 2  Various deeds, court actions, etc.
  Scope and Content Note
  • John H. Temple vs. E.J. Baldwin.
  • William Temple vs. E.J. Baldwin.
  • McLean vs. E.J. Baldwin.
  • Lummer vs. Unruh.
  • Patent of Rancho La Merced.

Box 3  Abstract of title of Rancho La Puente.
  Physical Description: 1 volume.

Box 3  Abstract of title to Water Appurtenant to Lots 1-27, Sierra Madre tract.
  Physical Description: 1 volume.

Box 3  Various deeds, court actions, etc.
  Scope and Content Note
  • Ringrose to E.J. Baldwin estate.
  • Sheehan to Hogg.
  • Glover to Comstock.
  • Power of attorney, Hogg to Hogue.

Box 3  Abstract of title to Rancho Santa Anita.

Box 3  Abstract of title of land lying between Franklin and New High Streets along Spring Street.
  Physical Description: 1 volume.

Box 3  Abstract of Assessments for State, County and City taxes. Rancho Cienega O'Paso de la Tijera.
  Physical Description: 1 volume.

Box 3  Felipe Lugo Rancho Report of James L. Robeson
  Physical Description: 1 volume.
  Scope and Content Note
  On certain defects and outstanding interests affecting the title of the estate of E.J. Baldwin to that portion of the Rancho now owned or claimed by the estate.
Box 4  Various deeds, court actions, etc.
Scope and Content Note
• Susan McLean vs. E.J. Baldwin.
• E.J. Baldwin vs. John H. Temple.
• Survey of line of lands between E.J. Baldwin and La Puente Mill properties.

Box 5  Supreme Court Proceedings. L.A. no. 3438.
Physical Description: 1 volume.
Scope and Content Note
Frederic Lummer Sr. vs. H.A. Unruh. Re: estate.

Box 5  Supreme Court Proceedings. L.A. no. 2952.
Physical Description: 5 volumes.
Scope and Content Note
"In the matter of the estate of Elias J. Baldwin, deceased. And in Re Proceedings therein on Petition of Beatrice Anita Baldwin (Otherwise known as Beatrice Anita Turnbull) a Minor, for Partial Distribution."

Box 5  Supreme Court Proceedings. L.A. no. 2568.
Scope and Content Note
Rimpau vs. E.J. Baldwin, etc.

Box 5  Baldwin vs. McGee, etc.
Box 6  Various deeds, court actions, etc.
Scope and Content Note
• E.H. Watkins vs. E.J. Baldwin.
• Susan McLean vs. E.J. Baldwin.
• E.J. Baldwin vs. John H. Temple.
• Supplemental Report, Acquisition of Santa Anita Colony.

Box 7, Folders 1-2, 4-5  Verdugo Canyon Water Co. vs. Teodoro Verdugo.

Box 7, Folder 3  Letter; Samuel Storrow, Civil and Mining Engineer, to Judge John D. Works, Los Angeles. Temescal Water Co.
Box 8, Folder 1  Azusa Water Development and Irrigating Co.
Box 8, Folder 2  Azusa Water Development and Irrigating Co. vs. Azusa Irrigating Co.
Box 8, Folders 3-4  Indenture between C.C. Roberts of Azusa and Azusa Water Development and Irrigating Co. November 15, 1884.
Box 8, Folder 5  Memoranda.
Box 8, Folder 6  Samuel Galloway vs. San Dimas Irrigation Co.
Box 8, Folder 7  Miscellaneous.
Box 8, Folder 8  Report on final account of E.J. Baldwin estate.
Physical Description: 1 folder.

Box 9  Checks, receipts. (1882-1909)
Physical Description: 27 items.

Box 9  Legal papers. (1871-1909)
Physical Description: 23 items.

Box 9  Lake Tahoe, Fallen Leaf, Cascade Lake.
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