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Marietta McGregor Payne Papers, 1919-74

I. PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE PAPERS

Correspondence, 1946-72

1/1	Sent (alpha), 1953-63
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1/8	Opinions, ca. 1950s
1/9	Legislation, ca. 1950s
2/1	Texas Trust Act, n.d.
2/2	Case Outlines and Statistics, 1945-73
2/3	Education Finance Law, 1972
2/4	House Bill 107, 1949
2/5	Inheritance and Death Taxes, 1943-74
2/6	House Bill 23, 1965
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	Speeches
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2/10	Homicide, n.d.
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II. PERSONAL PAPERS

Printed Material

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Biographical, 1972

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Performing Arts, 1921-29

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Religious, 1919

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Reminiscences

Performing Arts in Austin, n.d.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTES

This collection consists of two series: professional practice papers and personal papers. The professional practice papers series is arranged by document type. Within each document type group, the records are arranged by subject which the creator originally established. The personal papers series solely contains printed items and one reminiscence item.

The bulk of the collection contains working files pertaining to Marietta McGregor Payne's efforts in charitable trusts. At the time of her work, the state of Texas was considering the appropriateness of the supervision of charitable trusts by the Attorney General's Office. The correspondence pertaining to charitable trusts was retained in this section due to its extreme relevance. In general, the subject files contain various document types such as correspondence, legal opinions, literary productions and case briefs.

All correspondence files also contain items sent by other staff members of the Attorney General's Office.

Approximately one linear foot of Texas District Court and Supreme Court case briefs were transferred to the State Archives to fill in the gaps of their existing case briefs collection. These briefs related to cases not directly connected to local history, but were cases on which Mrs. Payne worked.

Marietta McGregor Payne was born in 1864 in the State of Texas. She was a member of the State Bar and the State Board of Charities.

Her honors and activities in the State Bar and the State Board of Charities were recognized by the State Bar and the State Board of Charities. She attended the State Bar in 1884 and died in 1984.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Marietta McGregor was born on 9 May 1915 in Austin, Texas. Her father was Senator Temple Harris McGregor and her mother was Nelle (Herndon) McGregor.

She attended Austin public schools and received her bachelor of arts degree in 1935 from the University of Texas. She then went to Columbia University to receive a master of arts degree in English in 1937. Later, she returned to Austin and UT to complete her law degree in 1945. In 1946, she was admitted to the State Bar of Texas with the highest grade.

In 1937, she married John Howard Payne, an Air Force lieutenant colonel. During World War II he was killed over Naples as an Army flier. Payne Field at Cairo was named in his memory. Before his death, Marietta McGregor Payne gave birth to a daughter, Mari. Marietta went on to marry Mr. Wylie Creel.

At the age of 29, Marietta announced her candidacy for Travis County Place No.1 in the State Legislature, but lost.

She joined the Attorney General's Office in 1947 when Price Daniel was Attorney General. She began her career handling general and inheritance tax matters. She served on opinion committees and performed both trial and appellate work. She became assistant attorney general during her work with the state. In 1954, she appeared before the United States Supreme Court to complete arguments in a suit by the State of Arkansas against Texas involving a \$3 million trust left by the late William Buchanan of Texarkana.

Her honors and activities include Phi Beta Kappa, Lambda Delta, Mortar Board, Junior League of America and Austin Lawyers Wives Club. She attended University Methodist Church.

Marietta died in 1984.