

# Retention and Classification Report

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**AGENCY:** Capitol Commission

**SERIES:** 11271

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**TITLE:** Bids

**DATES:** i 1909-1917.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Alphabetical by subject, thereunder chronological.

**DESCRIPTION:**

To pursue the legislative mandate to "erect a suitable building" to serve as the Utah state capitol, the Capitol Commission issued a call for construction bids to contractors and artisans. This series contains the bids submitted to the commission by those seeking employment. The collection includes bids for furnishings, heating and ventilating systems, elevators, vaults, cuspidors, lighting, and numerous others. The series also documents inquiries from contractors to the Capitol Commission regarding the bidding process, contracts, operational budgets, and contract decisions.

The bids include information on Utah craftsmen, architects, and contractors, and significant information about construction techniques, planning, bidding processes, and labor and material costs from the period.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

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**APPRAISAL:**

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**SERIES:** 11271

**TITLE:** Bids

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**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS:**

This report was reviewed and updated on 04/2017.

**AGENCY:** Capitol Commission

**SERIES:** 83918

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**TITLE:** Biennial reports

**DATES:** 1913-1916.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological by date.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This report is an account of the monies used to build the State Capitol Complex. The report contains specific construction details and land procurement operations. The 1915-1916 edition includes more specific design expenditures and a small history of the construction. Pictures of various stages are also included. The report functions as the official publication of the building's construction.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

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**AUTHORIZED:** 07-01-2014

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**APPRAISAL:**

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**SERIES:** 83918

**TITLE:** Biennial reports

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**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS:**

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**AGENCY:** Capitol Commission

**SERIES:** 1133

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**TITLE:** Bonds and contracts

**DATES:** i 1909-1917.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Alphabetical by subject, thereunder chronological.

**DESCRIPTION:**

In pursuing its legislative mandate to "erect a suitable building" to serve as the state capitol, the Commission entered into various legal agreements during the construction process. This series contains copies of bonds, contracts, and agreements issued by the Capitol Commission including those for furnishings, heating, lighting, fire proofing, decorative work such as painting and sculpture, flooring, and marble work. Building costs such as for materials and labor, insurance and bonding practices at the beginning of the twentieth century, the value of furnishings, and contractual agreements between general contractors and subcontractors are documented. This series includes information on Utah artists and craftsmen, architects, city and state officials, and significant information about construction techniques, planning, and labor costs from the period.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

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**APPRAISAL:**

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**SERIES:** 1133

**TITLE:** Bonds and contracts

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construction of the capitol building.

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS:**

This report was reviewed and updated on 04/2017.

**AGENCY:** Capitol Commission

**SERIES:** 1135

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**TITLE:** Capitol building plans

**DATES:** 1912-1914.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Numerical by architect's drawing number.

**DESCRIPTION:**

These are the original building plans created by the capitol architect, Richard Kletting, for the construction of the Capitol Building. The series includes plans for framing, various construction details, columns and stone work, dome framing, foundation and footings, cross-sections, and building elevations from various angles. The originals are blueprints, blueprints on linen, and tracings. Final plans and specifications for approved and constructed state buildings.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is authorized by Archives general schedule Government construction as-built plans and specifications, GRS-1789.

**AUTHORIZED:** 04-03-2018

**FORMAT MANAGEMENT:**

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**APPRAISAL:**

These records have historical value(s).

Disposition based on records unique nature as the primary source of information on the original building plans of the Utah State Capitol Building.



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**SERIES:** 1135

**TITLE:** Capitol building plans

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**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS:**

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**AGENCY:** Capitol Commission

**SERIES:** 1134

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**TITLE:** Capitol design competition renderings

**DATES:** i 1909-1917.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Alphabetical by name of individual architect or firm.

**DESCRIPTION:**

In order to select an architect to design Utah's State Capitol building, a design competition was held. This series contains the materials generated by that competition. The series includes numerous photographs and drawings of ideas for the capitol building, actual submissions for the design competition, a document establishing the rules for the design contest, and numerous photographs submitted as examples of competing architects work. [The winner of the competition is not included.]

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**APPRAISAL:**

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This disposition is based on the records unique nature and scarcity of related material. The series serves as the primary source of documentation for the Capitol Commission's design competition and includes information on Utah and out of state architects, architectural firms, and rules established by the Capitol Commission.

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS:**

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**AGENCY:** Capitol Commission

**SERIES:** 1132

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**TITLE:** Correspondence

**DATES:** i 1911-1917.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Alphabetical by name or subject, thereunder chronological.

**DESCRIPTION:**

The Commission was created to "cause a suitable design, together with plans and specifications . . . to be prepared for the erection of a state capitol building" in Utah. This series contains the commission's general correspondence addressing the design competition for the building. Letters from prominent artists and designers include those from: John W. Clawson, Cyrus E. Dallin, J. Leo and Avard Fairbanks, Gavin H. Jack, and Mahonri Young. There are also numerous suggestions from local citizens. The collection also contains important correspondence between the person eventually chosen through the competition as the capitol architect, Richard K.A. Kletting, and various individuals and organizations connected with the construction of the capitol. Additionally, the series contains information on construction techniques, planning, and labor costs from the period.

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**APPRAISAL:**

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**SERIES:** 1132

**TITLE:** Correspondence

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**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS:**

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**AGENCY:** Capitol Commission

**SERIES:** 18900

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**TITLE:** Harriman estate check photograph

**DATES:** 1911.

**ARRANGEMENT:** None.

**DESCRIPTION:**

A photograph of a check for inheritance taxes from the estate of E.H. Harriman, owner of Union Pacific Railroad. This payment formed the basis for building a capitol building. The check was drawn on the Guaranty Trust Company of New York and payable to the order of David Mattson, Treasurer, State of Utah, for seven hundred ninety-eight thousand five hundred forty-six and 85/100 dollars. The check was photographed by Shiplers Commercial Photographers, Salt Lake City.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

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**APPRAISAL:**

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This disposition is based on the association of this check with the building of the state capitol.

**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS:**

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**AGENCY:** Capitol Commission

**SERIES:** 11274

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**TITLE:** Minutes

**DATES:** i 1909-1916.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological by date.

**DESCRIPTION:**

The Capitol Commission was authorized, empowered and directed to cause a suitable design, together with plans and specifications to be prepared for the erection of a State Capitol upon the Capitol grounds in Salt Lake City. This series contains the minutes of the Utah Capitol Commission's formal meetings and function as a record of members present at meetings, outside consultants, expenses incurred by commission members, rules for the design competition, discussions about bids and the issuing of contracts, agreements for expenditures, and a list of the original cornerstone contents.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

Retention and disposition for this series is authorized by Archives general schedule Open meeting minutes & public materials, GRS-1709.

**AUTHORIZED:** 07-01-2014

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**SERIES:** 11274

**TITLE:** Minutes

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**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS:**

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**AGENCY:** Capitol Commission

**SERIES:** 11273

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**TITLE:** Newspaper clippings

**DATES:** i 1909-1917.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Chronological by date.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This series documents public relations efforts by the Capitol Commission and public opinion regarding the building of the state capitol. It contains newspaper clippings collected by the Capitol Commission with the bulk of the series focusing on articles addressing the design competition for the capitol building, arguments for and against construction, location issues, calls for voter participation, messages from Governor Spry, and highlights from the construction process such as the laying of the cornerstone.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

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**APPRAISAL:**

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This disposition is based on the unique nature of the records and the scarcity of related material. These articles function as a primary source of documentation for the Capitol Commission.



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**SERIES:** 11273

**TITLE:** Newspaper clippings

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**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS:**

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**AGENCY:** Capitol Commission

**SERIES:** 11275

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**TITLE:** Photographs

**DATES:** i 1909-1917.

**ARRANGEMENT:** By type with individual photographs arranged chronologically and the photograph album arranged by page number.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This series contains photographs which functioned as documentation of the construction of the State Capitol. The majority of the series contains pictures of the finished capitol building, ground breaking ceremony, initial excavation of the construction site, and individuals involved in the construction process. The collection also holds a unique commemorative photograph album produced by Shipler's Commercial Photographs of Salt Lake City which was presented to commission members. The album documents the various phases of construction and construction details including cement, granite, and marble work, monoliths, interior details, phases of arch and dome construction, and numerous pictures from various angles of the exterior.

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**APPRAISAL:**

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**SERIES:** 11275

**TITLE:** Photographs

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**PRIMARY DESIGNATION:**

Public

**REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS:**

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**AGENCY:** Capitol Commission

**SERIES:** 11272

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**TITLE:** Records

**DATES:** i 1909-1918.

**ARRANGEMENT:** Alphabetical by name or subject, thereunder chronological.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This series records the Capitol Commission's miscellaneous office decisions including the application process for the commission secretaryship and grounds superintendent, the original program created by the commission for the architects competition, a variety of commission financial records, and petitions and correspondence received by commission members addressing the issue of utilizing Utah labor and building materials. This collection also contains important correspondence to and from the Capitol Commission concerning the various stages of construction and changes made to the original plans and budget from the general contractor.

The series includes information on Utah artists and craftsmen, architects, city and state officials, and significant information about construction techniques, planning, and labor costs from the period.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:**

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**AUTHORIZED:** 03-19-2018

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**TITLE:** Records

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construction of the capitol building.

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Public

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