

Retention and Classification Report

Agency: Blue Ledge Mining District (Utah). Recorder (3563)

Records Officer:

27671 *Mining records

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SERIES: 27671

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TITLE: Mining records

DATES: 1870-1897.

ARRANGEMENT: Chronological

DESCRIPTION:

In the nineteenth century, miners in local areas organized mining districts to manage mining operations and keep records of claims. District books generally include notices of location, which uniquely identify claims with a name, a description of the location, dates of discovery and recording, and the names of claim owners. In addition to notices of location, the mining records typically also include proof of labor which validate that an owner has worked his claim. They may also include minutes of mining district meetings, district by-laws, and indexes. The Blue Ledge District is in Wasatch County, and the records were transferred to the Wasatch County recorder's office in 1897.

RETENTION:

Retain permanently.

DISPOSITION:

Retain in agency custody.

STATE RECORDS COMMITTEE STATUS:

This retention was approved by the State Records Committee on 09/01/1991.

FORMAT MANAGEMENT:

The retention and disposition information on this schedule applies to the record copy which can be in any format. The record copy can include different formats. Format management information provided here is for the purpose of managing records that are being either stored by or transferred to Utah State Archives.

Paper: Retain in Office permanently.

Microfilm master: Retain in Archives permanently.

Digital image: Retain in Office permanently.

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APPRAISAL:

Historical Legal This disposition is based on Utah County General Records Retention Schedule, Schedule 15, Item 12.

The mining record books are historically valuable because they are the primary records which document mining activity in the nineteenth century.

PRIMARY CLASSIFICATION:

Public