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Abreu, Ramon
New Mexico imprint, 1834

DESCRIPTION

Broadside, 8 by 13 inches, in Spanish, listing the names of 90 inhabitants of Santa Fe, New Mexico who were qualified and obligated to serve as jurors in lawsuits affecting the freedom of the press, formed by the city council, and dated August 14, 1834. It is titled "Lista de los ciudadanos." It is believed to be the first extant imprint from New Mexico. It was printed in the printing office of Ramon Abreu in charge of Jesus Maria Baca in Santa Fe.

1 box, .1 linear ft.

HISTORICAL NOTE

In October 1828, the Republic of Mexico had passed a law intended to protect the freedom of the press and citizens from libel. Lawsuits concerning the press were to be heard by jurors chosen by the municipal council of every town that supported a newspaper.

[Excerpted from *The First New Mexico Imprint* by E. Boyd, Call Number 015.789 B789, published in the Princeton University Library Chronicle, v.33, no. 1, Autumn 1971.]

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