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**MS 1072
City of Tucson
Property Records, 1862-1864**

DESCRIPTION

Photostat copy of property records, 1862 to 1864, resulting from an order to citizens of Tucson and those living within three miles of the town, to register their property with William S. Oury, who was appointed registrar and recorder. Also present is a typescript, an index, and a history of the first property recordings in Tucson under the United States government.

1 box, .5 linear ft.

HISTORICAL NOTE

General James H. Carleton declared martial law in Arizona on June 8, 1862. The Mexican authorities had removed all property records when they evacuated Tucson following the Gadsen Purchase. On July 21, 1862, Carleton created the District of Western Arizona and appointed Major David Fergusson as commander of the post of Tucson. Fergusson appointed William Oury as recorder to reconstruct property ownership.

RELATED MATERIAL

Oversize map, created by Gilbert J. Pederson, contains property ownership information imposed on the 1862 Fergusson map of downtown Tucson, filed in Case 6, drawer 1. The Fergusson map is located in Case 7, drawer 2 #2573. The Charles Poston Collection, MS 663, contains Record Book A, the property records for 1859 to 1861.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

The collection was processed by Kim Frontz, 1997.