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**MS 743**

**Smith, Marcus Aurelius, 1851-1924  
Papers, 1880-1917**

## **DESCRIPTION**

Small collection of miscellaneous papers relating to the political career of Marcus A. Smith, U. S. Senator from Arizona. Includes miscellaneous correspondence, including letters written by Smith to the *Arizona Pioneer's* Historical Society and printed speeches by Smith. The bulk of the collection is one folder of letters written by Smith or his secretary, Paul R. Krueger, to Michael M. Rice. Rice appeared to be asking for assistant with a political appointment. Smith's letters from Rice from 1912 to 1914 include comments on politics and politicians of the day, including Gov. Hunt and the Mexican Revolution.

1 Box, .10 linear ft.

## **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

Marcus A. Smith, Territorial delegate to Congress and one of the first two United States Senators from Arizona, came to Arizona 1880. Smith was first elected Cochise County attorney in 1882 and served from 1883 to 1885. In 1886, he was elected territorial delegate to Congress and served from 1887 to 1895 and then again from 1897 to 1899. Upon Arizona's statehood, he became U. S. Senator and served from 1912 to 1921. He died in Washington in 1924.

## **ACQUISITION**

Provenance is unknown, though some of the letters appear to have been donated by Michael M. Rice.

## **RELATED MATERIAL**

University of Arizona, Special Collections : AZ 160 : Smith's Letterbook, 1900-1905.

## **ACCESS**

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## **PROCESSING**

The collection was processed in 1982; the finding aid was completed by Riva Dean in May 2000.