Summary

Creator: Archambeau family

Title: Archambeau and St. Hill family collection

Date: 1868-2003

Size: 0.02 linear feet (2 folders)


Abstract: The Archambeau family, consisting of John Nicholas Archambeau and his two children, Lester and Sybil, immigrated to the United States from Jamaica in 1908 and 1919, respectively. John Nicholas attended Howard University, became a dentist, and married Julia Hood of Virginia. His daughter, Sybil, graduated from Teachers Training School in New Jersey in 1927, and in 1938, married Clyde Ewart St. Hill, Jr., originally from Barbados. Lester Archambeau married Thelma Woodward and had two children, Jason and Rita Louise Archambeau. The Archambeaus owned and operated the Old Ladies Home in Hackensack, New Jersey. The Archambeau and St. Hill family collection consists of papers pertaining to family members before and after they immigrated to the United States from Jamaica and Barbados. Documents for the Archambeau family include copies of the marriage certificates for John and Elizabeth Jane Archambeau, John Nicholas Archambeau's parents, who were married in Jamaica in 1869; and Emile Archambeau, a member of the family who owned members of John Archambeau's family during slavery. Other documents for the Archambeau family include several copies of nineteenth-century baptismal certificates; Elizabeth Jane Archambeau's passport and immigration documents for her grandchildren, Lester and Sybil; and deeds and other legal documents regarding the foreclosure of the family house in Hackensack, New Jersey (1932-1933).

Preferred citation: [Item], Archambeau and St. Hill family collection, Sc MG 722, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, Manuscripts, Archives and Rare Books Division, The New York Public Library

Language of the Material: English


Separated Materials:
Creator History

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There is also a commencement program for Sybil Archambeau’s graduation from the Teacher's Training School in Jersey City, New Jersey (1927); a list of officers and members of the Phi Delta Kappa Sorority, a professional association for educators (1947), of which she was a member; and the commencement program for Lester Archambeau’s children, Rita Louise and Jason R. Archambeau, both from Howard University in 1961.

The St. Hill family documents include a baptismal certificate for Clyde Ewart St. Hill, Jr., (Barbados, 1910); the invitation and program for the Howard University commencement at which he received his M.D. degree (1939); and his marriage certificate from the same year.

Clippings and photocopies of photographs represent both families, as does a family history prepared by Cynthia St. Hill (2003).

Key Terms

Subjects
Caribbean Americans -- New Jersey
Families, Black -- United States
Jamaican Americans
Real property, Exchange of -- New Jersey
West Indian Americans

Genre/Physical Characteristic
Names
Archambeau, Elizabeth Jane
Archambeau, Emile
Archambeau, Jason
Archambeau, John Nicholas
Archambeau, Lester
Archambeau, Rita Louise
Archambeau, Sybil
St. Hill Jr., Clyde Ewart
St. Hill, Cynthia
 Archambault family
Archambeau family
St. Hill family