

**College of the Holy Cross  
Archives and Special Collections  
Collection Inventory**

Accession Number: **SC2000-10**

Collection Name: **Dowd, Judge Thomas H. Papers**

Dates of Material: **1909-1930s**

Size of Collection: **5 Boxes**

**Biography/History:**

Thomas H. Dowd was born in Worcester in 1872 and graduated from the Classical High School in 1891. He went on to attend the College of the Holy Cross and graduated in 1894 as salutatorian. Dowd continued his education at Boston University Law School, and completed his studies there in one year instead of the typical three years, graduating magna cum laude. The Worcester native then opened law offices in Boston and was considered one of the most able members of the Suffolk County law community. An eloquent orator, Dowd spoke at many important occasions in Massachusetts. He was appointed as judge by Governor David I. Walsh in 1914 and served in Boston's Municipal Court. He also served as an alderman in Boston and senator for the Back Bay District. Dowd married Ms. Helen Dolan of Roxbury MA, and they had a son. Holy Cross conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws in 1915. Dowd died on September 5, 1959 at the age of 87.

**Scope and Content Note:**

This collection contains photographs, personal information, correspondence, and congratulatory letters of Judge Thomas H. Dowd. The collection contains his personal scrapbooks containing clippings, letters, and programs and also a collection of his speeches. Finally, there are documents from important legal cases he represented throughout his life.

**Box and Folder List:**

Box 1: Personal Collection, Correspondence and Congratulatory Letters

Folder 1: Biographical and Personal Information

Folder 2 & 3: Correspondence, 1910-1956

Folder 4-6: Congratulatory Letters, Apr. 1935- May 31, 1935

Folder 7: Congratulatory Letters, 1936-1953

Folder 8: Boston historical sites photos, 1924-1930

Box 2: Speeches

Folder 1: Speeches A-C

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Box 2: Speeches

Folder 2: Speeches F-H

Folder 3: Speeches I-O

Folder 4: Speeches P-R

Folder 5: Speeches T-Z

Box 3: Legal Cases and Documents

Folder 1: City Solicitor, 1923

Folder 2 & 3: Papers Regarding the Case of Stephen J. Bryan, 1932

Folder 4: Brockton Charter Debate, 1924 - 1953

Folder 5: Anglim v. City of Brockton, 1915-1922

Folder 6: Anglim v. City of Brockton, 1923-1926

Folder 7: Anglim v. City of Brockton, 1927

Folder 8: Anglim v. City of Brockton, 1928-1932

Box 4: Scrapbooks (3)

Volume I: Letters, 1919-1925

Volume II: Letters & Programs, 1910-1924

Volume III: Letters, Clippings, Programs, 1900-1925

Box 5 (Oversize Box): Scrapbooks (3)

Volume V: Clippings, 1914

Volume VI: Letters, Clippings, Programs, 1925

Red Scrapbook: Letters, Clippings, Programs, 1909-1924