Texas State Library and Archives Commission Conservation Treatment Report

Item

Title	Index to Court of Criminal Appeals, 1919-1947	
Author	Texas Court of Criminal Appeals	
Published	1947	
Format	Book	
I.D. Number	211-088	
Department	Archives	

Treatment Overview

Start Date	May 1, 2015	Estimated Hours	10.00
End Date	May 31, 2015	Actual Hours	10.00
Conservator	Sarah Norris	Pieces Treated	1

Treatment Objective

stabilize for reading room use

Item Description

Binding

2	
Dimensions (cm) Height 49.70 Width 40.70 Depth 10.20	
Binding Style • laced	Endcaps • unshaped
Binding Provenance original 	
False Bands 4	
Covering	
Covering Style • full	Spine • hollow back
Covering Materials • leather • textile	Decoration • stamped Decoration Material • foil

- Covering Color
 - brown
- Skin Type
 - calf

Boards

Board Material • binder's board Shaping • square

Split Boards • no

Spine

Spine Shaping

rounded

- Backing
 - no

Sewing / Leaf Attachment

Leaf / Section Connection machine-sewing 	Sewing Structure supported 	
Sewing Pattern • all-along	Sewing Supports tapes 	
Sewing Thread • cotton		
Text Block		
Material • paper	Edge Decoration marbled 	
Paper Style • wove	Edge Decoration Location foreedge 	
Paper Manufacture machine-made 	• head • tail	
Grain • head-to-tail	Gathering • sections	
Coated • no	Text-to-Cover Attachment tapes 	
Watermarks • no	Paginated • no	

Back-Cornering

• no

Corners

pleated

Lining Material

textile

Edges • ploughed	Foliated • no
Number of Sections 44	
Media	
Printing Media • printer's ink	Inscription Media • carbon black ink
Endleaves	
Endleaf Paper • same as textblock	Endleaf Decoration printed
Endleaf Material • paper	Pastedowns • no
Endleaf Paper Style wove 	Doublures • yes
Endleaf Paper Manufacture machine-made 	Doublure Material • paper
Watermarks • no	
Free Flyleaves 4	
Endbands	
Endbands • decorative	Endband Decoration solid
Endband Style • stuck on	Endband Color • red
Endband Thread • other	Endband Core • cord

Notes

Volume covered full-style in ecru textile with red calf account book banding.

Volume additionally covered with canvas cover labeled in print and marker. Cover has stiff card inside boards, marbled doublures, and red calf corners.

Blank book sections are machine-sewn all-along to stubs made of card and textile. Stubs appear to be whipstitched together.

Made endpapers are typical of blank books, with starch-impregnated textile hinges and marble-print (not marbled) endsheets and doublures. Specific endsheet structure is not observed.

Endbands appear to have been red calf with rope core, adhered to the inside of the stiff spine covered (not to the textblock spine.)

No. 30523

Made by Maverick-Clarke Litho Co.

Blank book m'f'rs, printers, stationer, and lithographers, San Antonio, Tex.

Order by the above number.

Patent flat opening back

Manufactured by Maverick-Clarke Litho Co.

Stationers, Printers, Lithographers, Blank Book Manufacturers

San Antonio, Texas

This book is made of selected A No. 1 ledger.

Patent indestructible flat opening guards.

Sewed with silk finish twist thread.

Making one of the best books that can be produced.

Item Condition

Cover

Joints

• split

Spine

Spine Covering • losses

Endbands

Sewing / Thread • missing

Notes

Outer hinges are partially split.

Spine covering material is lifting and exhibits some losses.

Canvas cover is missing its spine. Canvas is abraded and torn around the edges of the boars it covers. Leather corners on the cover are abraded and exhibit losses.

Treatment Performed

Cover

Case

re-back

Joints

repair joints (2)

Spine

Spine Covering • fill losses

Notes

Perform modified reback of canvas cover to exposed spine covering as follows:

-Repair canvas cover at board edges by adhering heat-set tissue behind canvas in areas of loss and then adhering repair linen with PVA to tissue and inner doublure board.

-Slit covering at inner board hinge. Use Lascaux to adhere trimmed canvas cover to inner board edge. Use Lascaux to re-adhere covering over canvas.

Rationale:

-Leave exposed the current labeling on front of canvas cover and exposed spine covering for reading room access.

-Retain remaining portions of canvas cover, given that it has substantial structure and is original to item.

-Utilize most invasive techniques in hinge area, which is commonly altered in book treatments. Working along the inner edge of the thick board and in the thick hinge should minimize ridges and wear.

-Stop damaged canvas from snagging and tearing.

-Perform minor spine repairs with airplane linen-backed toned tissue.

-Maintain reversibility and minimize tidelines in canvas with heat-set release layer and reversible Lascaux adhesive.

-Use efficient techniques with an eye toward similar repairs on other volumes.

Testing notes:

-Lascaux on linen (proxy for canvas): reversible, but darkens textile. Not a viable alternative to using heat-set tissue for reversibility.

-Heat-set on linen (proxy for canvas): reasonably strong and flexible. Allows use of adhesive without darkening and strikethrough.

-PVA, Lascaux, and ethanol (for Lascaux reversibility) on canvas: do not stain or leave tidelines; slight stiffening effect from adhesives.

Materials Used

Materials

Adhesives / Consolidants

- Lascaux
- PVA
- SC6000
- wheat starch paste

Textile • airplane linen

Toning

acrylic paint
methyl cellulose

Tissue

- Heat-set
- Moriki