18th-century French Documents, 1700s: Finding Aid

Summary Information

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Abstract: Consists of approximately 100 miscellaneous eighteenth-century French documents.
Location: This collection is stored onsite at Firestone Library.
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Biography/History

Tours and Touraine (France) remained until the 16th century a continual stay of the kings and Court. The permanent return of the Court towards Paris then Versailles marked the beginning of a slow but permanent decline in the 18th century. The arrival of the railroad in the 19th century saved the city by making it an important crossroads.

Description

The collection consists of approximately 100 miscellaneous 18th-century French documents. The bulk are engrossed copies of notarial documents (1770-1789) concerning land titles and rents in the parish of Saint Christophe, Tours. Many of the documents were prepared by François-Claude Bigot and François Solomon, public notaries in Tours. Also included is a record book of financial receipts and livestock lists (1815-1816). Also present is a document, signed by Louis XIV, in favor of Pierre Vaillant.

Access and Use

Access

The collection is open for research.

Restrictions on Use and Copyright Information

Single photocopies may be made for research purposes. Permission to publish material from the collection must be requested from the Associate University Librarian for Rare Books and Special Collections.

Acquisition and Appraisal

Provenance and Acquisition

AM22017. The document in favor of Pierre Vaillant was a gift of John Douglas Gordon in 1966 (AM 18968).

Processing and Other Information

Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); 18th-century French Documents, Box and Folder Number; Department of Rare Books and Special Collections, Princeton University Library.

Encoding
Subject Headings

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