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Archival and Manuscript Collections Finding Aid

ACCESSION No.: HRHS – 86

COLLECTION TITLE: Rockingham County Place Name Survey

DATES: 1982

SIZE: 2 boxes of file cards, 3 folders, rolled map (OV)

DONOR: Nick Whitmer, 7/18/03

PROCESSED: by K. Craun and B. Hopkins, 02/03/2015

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Rockingham County was established in 1778 from Augusta County. Harrisonburg was named as the county seat and incorporated as a town in 1780. Harrisonburg was incorporated as a city in 1916 and separated from Rockingham County but it remains the county seat.

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

The Rockingham County Place Name Survey was compiled by Nick Whitmer, who was a librarian at the Rockingham Public Library. The collection consists of file cards in alphabetical order showing places in Rockingham County. There is a description of the place named and codes tying these locations to a topographical map.

COLLECTION INVENTORY:

Box 1:

Index cards from A to L

Box 2:

Index cards from M to Z

Box 3:

Folder 1: Miscellaneous Correspondence

Folder 2: Numerical Index to Topographical Maps

Folder 3: Research for Place Name Survey

Oversize:

Topographical maps that correspond with the index cards