Index to Court Minute and Record Books

Located in the Archives of the San Mateo Historical Museum





After San Mateo County was established in 1856 a county court and Justice courts were set up in the county. Many of the early court records for San Mateo County have found their way to the San Mateo County Historical Association's Archives. Volumes currently included in this index are:

- Justice Court Pulgas Township Docket Book 1 Jan 1866 Jul 1871 George W. Fox, JP 461p. [1]
- O Justice Court Pulgas Township Docket Book 2 1871-1874 This is an index found in Volume 1 To date volume 2 has not been found (the index was located in Docket Book 1) [2]
- o Probate Court: Record of bonds, letters and inventories 1857-1871 Starts with page 55 [4]
- Minutes: County Court 1856-1871 gift from SMC done Includes civil jury trials and appeals of justice court decisions [5]
- Justice Court 3rd Township of San Mateo County 1855-1860 Horace Templeton, James McCrea etc 399 pages [6]

Notes

- Vs People = vs People of the State of California -- these are generally criminal cases
- Vs San Mateo County generally for nonpayment of tax or in some cases nonpayment of license fees to operate in the county.
- When no given name is present, a business in generally indicated.
- Vs SF County Failure to pay 15 May 1854 Bill to provide support for the state of California

Other Volumes located at SMCHA include:

- Court of Sessions, Abstract of title- Miramontes/DeHaro Ranch recording of deeds, leases and mortgages 1853-1859
- o Minutes Court of Sessions, Redwood City 1856-1863
- Judgement Book D & C Court: 12th Judicial district 1867-1875
- o Index to County Court: Plaintiff see Durham Catherine Bk 2 p 125 Judgement #224
- o Justice Court 3rd Township of San Mateo County 1862-1868
- Justice Court 3rd Township of San Mateo County 1876-1877
- Justice Court 3rd Township of San Mateo County Nov 1877

