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005 Small Manuscript Collections  
006 Neal Family Papers  
140 Records  
200 1774  
210 1886  
220 1774-1842  
240 0.71 cubic feet  
241 1 @ 0.47 box, 1 @ 0.24 box  
261 Various land, financial, and legal documents relating to the Neal family of Northwest Fork Hundred, Sussex County.  
270 Land records include deeds, patents, surveys, and plots for property owned by various Neal family members. Financial documents include receipts, bonds, bill of costs, accounts, and a promissory note. Legal papers include agreements, court records, power of attorney, letters of administration for the estate of William Neal, and copies of a will for John Neal, Sr. There are a number of receipts and other documents relating to the settlement of his estate. One court record relates to a case involving Negro Tom, including a summons for freedom and a document relating to his sale. There are also several pieces of correspondence usually relating to business matters. A Wilmington Conference Academy commencement program for 1886 is also present.

Of special note are 1833-1834 records relating to the start of School District Number 69, also called Neals School, and located northwest of Seaford. Present is the deed from William Neal to the District, many bills for school building construction, and a list of real estate owners in the District. The list shows the names of the owners, by whom tenanted, and rented value. On the back of the document is a list of personal tax rates which shows the taxpayer's name and amount.

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329 WORK STATUS:

- needs sorting
- needs unfolding
- needs foldering/reboxing
- other:

ARCHIVIST:

- review for identification/needs further identification
- needs processing
- determine origin/purpose
- other:

CONDITION:

- totally disorganized
- order not apparent
- origin questionable
- other:

330 Arranged chronologically by date of document.  
331 No index.  
332 Handwritten.  
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360 Fair condition. Acid, dirt, storage damage.  
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