Inventory of the Ben McCutchen Moïse Papers, 1908-2011
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Descriptive Summary

Title: Ben McCutchen Moïse papers

Date(s): 1908-2011

Creator: Moïse, Ben McC.


Extent: 4.60 linear feet
(11 document boxes, 14 compact discs, 2 DVDs, 1 videocassette)

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Biographical Note

Ben McCutchen Moïse (1943- ), born in Bishopville, South Carolina, was a conservation officer with the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNER) from 1978 to 2002. From 1981 to 1987 he served as an investigator on the SCDNR undercover operations team and in 1990 he was awarded the Guy Bradley Award by the North American Fish and Wildlife Foundation in recognition of his achievements in law enforcement. Moïse is the author of Ramblings of a Lowcountry Game Warden: A Memoir, a personal account of his experiences patrolling the coastal waters and woods of South Carolina, published in 2008, and the editor of A Southern Sportsman: The Hunting Memoirs of Henry Edwards Davis, published in 2010. Moïse is a frequent contributor to the Charleston Mercury, Garden and Gun, and other regional publications.
Collection Overview

The collection contains material relating to the writings and professional activities of Ben McCutchen Moïse, author and conservation officer for the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) from 1978 to 2002. Writings contain materials associated with Moïse’s work as the author of *Ramblings of a Lowcountry Game Warden: A Memoir*, the editor of *A Southern Sportsman: The Hunting Memoirs of Henry Edwards Davis* and various magazine articles written for regional publications including the *Charleston Mercury Magazine* and *Garden and Gun*. Book manuscripts contain both paper and born digital formats consisting of compact discs, DVDs, and a USB flash drive. Also included is correspondence, consisting of letters and printed e-mails; promotional materials; reviews and clippings; working files; and photographs. Professional activities materials assembled by Moïse during his career as a conservation officer consist of working files; incident reports; photographs and slides; monthly activity report books; identity documents and hunting licenses; assorted publications, correspondence, and clippings; Moïse’s 1990 Guy Bradley award nomination book; and a videocassette recording of segment from a local news program on Moïse's conservationist work during duck hunting season in South Carolina.

Collection Arrangement

1. Writings, 1959-2011
2. Professional activities, 1908-2011

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Related Material

Related materials in Special Collections include *Ramblings of a Lowcountry Game Warden: A Memoir* by Ben McC. Moïse.

Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person, family, or organization, by topical subject, by place, and by types of material.

Names
- Moïse, Ben McC.
- South Carolina. Dept. of Natural Resources

Subjects
- Game wardens--South Carolina--Charleston
Places
Charleston (S.C.)

Types of Material
Writings (document genre)
Manuscripts (document genre)
Compact discs
DVDs
Electronic mail
Letters (correspondence)
Magazines (periodicals)
Color photographs
Black-and white photographs
Color slides
Identity cards
Licenses
Certificates

Administrative Information

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Detailed Description of the Collection

1. Writings, 1959-2011

*Ramblings of a Lowcountry Game Warden: A Memoir,* 2006-2011

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Letters, 2008-2011, undated

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Promotional material, 2008-2011

Publications, 2008-2011

Box 3 Folder 1  Book catalogs, 2007-2011
Box 3 Folder 2  Carologue, 2008
Box 3 Folder 3  Southeastern Wildlife Exposition, 2008-2009

CD 0183-cd06-07  ETV Radio, Your Day, 2008 September 11

Roy Scott radio interview with Ben McCutchen Moïse at Blue Bicycle Books in Charleston, South Carolina.

Box 3 Folder 4  Miscellaneous, 2008-2010, undated

Reviews and clippings, 2008-2010

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Box 3 Folder 11  
Book illustrations, 2007, undated

Box 4 Folder 1  
Book signing party, 2008

Box 4 Folder 2  
Unused cover photograph, undated


Box 4 Folder 3  
Copy-edited typescript, 1963, undated
Photocopy of Henry Edward Davis' original manuscript with copyediting by Moïse and an original letter from Henry E. Davis to Mr. Parker Whedon regarding Davis' manuscript and the book Old Cheraws by Bishop Gregg.

Box 4 Folder 4  
Copy-edited typescript, 2009

Box 4 Folder 5  
Bound uncorrected page proof, 2010

DVD 0183-d01  
"The complete Henry E. Davis file", 2010 June 19

Box 4 Folder 6  
Copy-edited typescript, undated

Box 5 Folder 1  
Copy-edited galley proof, undated

Box 5 Folder 2  
Working file, 1959-2010, undated

Research materials, 1959-2010

CD 0183-cd08  
"Henry E. Davis complete file", 2008 December 18

CD 0183-cd09  
"Cover," undated

DVD 0183-d02  
"Harry Lee Harllee Collection, Ben McC. Moïse Davis Project," undated

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"Moïse, ed., A Southern Sportsman", undated

CD 0183-cd11  
"Moïse page proofs PDF," undated

CD 0183-cd12  
"Note from Thomas G. Samworth," undated

CD 0183-cd13  
"Old Betsy H. E. Davis", undated

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"1910 W. W. Greener 'Old Betsy'," undated

Box 6 Folder 1  
Reviews and clippings, 2009-2010, undated
Magazine articles, 1963-2010

Box 6 Folder 2  Charleston Mercury Magazine, "Tackling Texas Turkeys," 2007
Box 6 Folder 3  Charleston Mercury Magazine, "The King's Highway," 2010
Box 6 Folder 4  Charleston Mercury Magazine, "Gone A Quail Huntin'," 2010
Box 6 Folder 5  Garden and Gun, "The Sporting Scene: A Gun for the Ages," 2010
Box 6 Folder 7  South Carolina Wildlife, "Murphy's Law," 2008
Box 6 Folder 8  Winyah Bay Heritage Festival Official Program Guide, "Last Hunt at the Santee Gun Club," 2007
Box 6 Folder 10  Other writings, 2006, undated

CD 0183-cd01  "Ben Moïse: All files," 2006 August 31

Includes articles for the Charleston Magazine and the Charleston Mercury, assorted book reviews, short stories, and recipes.

Box 6 Folder 11  Writing award certificates, 2008-2011

Excellence in craft certificates from the South Carolina Outdoors Press Association and the Southeastern Outdoor Press Association for newspaper features, editorials, magazine features, and short features written by Moïse.

2. Professional activities, 1908-2011

Conservation officer working files, 1961-2000, undated

Files and materials grouped as found. In most cases, original folder titles have been retained as well as original order.

Box 6 Folder 12  Application and training materials, 1961-1984, undated
Box 6 Folder 13  Conservation officer commission, 1985-1986
Box 6 Folder 14  Law enforcement study committee, 1980-1985, undated
Box 6 Folder 15  Moist soil baiting issue, 1978-1990, undated

Contains materials regarding what constitutes baiting, the deliberate manipulation of seed bearing vegetation in areas where waterfowl are being hunted.

Box 6 Folder 16  Proposed saltwater recreational fishing license, 1988
**Box 7 Folder 1**  
Shrimp baiting, 1985-1987

Contains materials regarding shrimp baiting, the act of placing bait near stakes and harvesting white shrimp around these stakes during darkness, its legality, and possible impact on the local shrimp population.

**Box 7 Folder 2**  

**Box 7 Folder 3**  
Wildlife law enforcement, 1971, 1976, undated

General working files, 1970-2000

Files assembled by Moïse during his career as a conservation officer. Files can include memorandums, clippings, correspondence, photographs, pamphlets, summons records reports, and other administrative documents. Files contain original as well as photocopied materials.

**Box 7 Folder 4**  
1970-1998, undated

**Box 7 Folder 5**  
1979

**Box 7 Folder 6**  
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**Box 7 Folder 8**  

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1980-1986, undated

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Box 9 Folder 4  Conservation and evidence, 1979-1998, undated
Box 9 Folder 5  Other, 1984-2006, undated
Box 9 Folder 6  Slides, 1972-1993, undated
Box 9 Folder 7  Monthly activity report books, 1979
Box 9 Folder 8  Game Warden identity documents and hunting licenses, 1976-1992, undated
Box 10 Folder 1  1990 Guy Bradley award nomination book, 1979-1995, undated
      Includes nomination endorsements, photocopied articles, and letters of appreciation. Materials removed from original three ring binder.
Box 10 Folder 2  Student mentor materials, 1995-2000, undated

Publications, 1908-2011

Box 10 Folder 3  Annual reports of A. A. Richardson, Chief Game Warden of the State of South Carolina, 1913-1952
      Photocopied annual reports.
Box 10 Folder 4  Audubon Society of South Carolina annual reports, 1908-1910
      Photocopied annual reports.
Box 10 Folder 5  Carolina Fish Finder Magazine, 1980
Box 10 Folder 6  Game and Fish Laws of Ohio: 1919 and 1920, 1920
Box 10 Folder 7  Game and Fish Laws of South Carolina from The Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1932, Volumes I and II and Later Acts, 1932
Box 10 Folder 8  Game Laws for 1921: A Summary of the Provisions of Federal, State, and Provincial Statutes, 1921
Box 10 Folder 9  History of the South Carolina Oyster, 1972
Box 10 Folder 10 Ninth Biennial Report of the Fish and Game Warden of the State of Idaho, 1921-1922, 1923
Box 10 Folder 11 Pamphlets, 2001, undated
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Box 11 Folder 1  South Carolina Wildlife and Marine Resources Department, 1973
Box 11 Folder 2  South Carolina Wildlife and Marine Resources Department: Marine Fisheries and Related Laws, 1979
Box 11 Folder 3  
*Sporting Classic*, 2011  
General correspondence, 1981-2011  
Includes work memorandums and letters of congratulation and thanks.

Box 11 Folder 4  
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Box 11 Folder 5  
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Box 11 Folder 6  
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Box 11 Folder 7  
Clippings, 1979-2011, undated

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