

Rufus King:

An Inventory of His Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

Creator:	King, Rufus, 1755-1827
Title:	Rufus King Collection
Dates:	1785-1826, undated
Extent:	1 box (.42 linear feet)
Abstract:	Includes letters and documents associated with the American lawyer, politician, and diplomat Rufus King. Recipients of his letters include John Quincy Adams, John Jay, Martin Van Buren, and other notables.
Call Number:	Manuscript Collection MS-2294
Language:	English
Access:	Open for research

Administrative Information

Processed by:	Joan Sibley and Michael Ramsey, 2011 Note: This finding aid replicates and replaces information previously available only in a card catalog. Please see the explanatory note at the end of this finding aid for information regarding the arrangement of the manuscripts as well as the abbreviations commonly used in descriptions.
Repository:	Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin

Letters:

10 ALS, 3 AL to unidentified recipients, 1791-1825, undated.

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ALS to Adams, John Quincy, 31 May 1825.

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3 ALS to Aspinwall, Thomas, 1825-1826.

ALS to Barclay, Col., 11 January 1812.

4 ALS to Bayard, Samuel, 1796-1803.

ALS to Bourne, 23 July 1807.

2 ALS to Bowdoin, James, 5 February and 19 October 1786.

ALS to Bowdoin, James, 30 June 1786. Jointly from King and others (Gorham, Nathaniel; Sedgwick, Theodore; and Dane, Nathan).

ALS to Butler, B. F., 27 May 1823.

ALS to Callin, Lynde, 21 July 1818.

ALS to Cooper, William?, 5 July 1809.

ALS to Crowninshield, Benjamin William, 27 February 1815.

ALS to Dawson, J., 10 May 1801.

ALS to de Neuville, Hyde, 26 December 1818.

ALS to Drury, Joseph?, 9 December 1801.

ALS to Eigenbrodt, L., 6 January 1822.

ALS to Everett, Alexander Hill, 23 July 1825. Attached to sheet with other handwritten items and ALS of Breese, Sidney J. to Gardner, D.

ALS to Gansevoort (Leonard) and Company, 26 July 1793.

ALS to Gilmore (R.) and sons, 22 March 1820.

ALS / draft copy to Gore, Christopher, 19 September 1812.

ALS to Gracie, A., 22 July 1825.

ALS to Ivers, Treasurer, 20 August 1785.

2 ALS to Jay, John, 3 February and 5 August 1798. August letter fastened to sheet of blue paper with commentary.

2 ALS to Kean, John, 19 June 1792, 16 January 1794.

2 ALS to King, Charles, 21 January 1823, 22 May 1824.

2 ALS to King, Cyrus, 4 March 1805, 19 January 1815. Latter includes ALS from King, Cyrus to King, Rufus, 19 January 1815.

ALS to King, John A., March 1824.

ALS to Livingston, Brockholst, 1 May 1822.

Container 1.3

ALS to Mason, Jeremiah, 6 July 1820.

ALS to Mercer, Charles Fenton, 14 January 1820.

ALS to Morris, James, 27 November 1795.

4 ALS to Newcomb, H. S., 1814-1817.

2 ALS to North, William, 17 February and 8 March 1818.

ALS to Remsen, Henry, 3 March 1791.

ALS to Skipwith, Fulwar, 6 February 1797.

ALS to Smith, Robert, 23 October 1810.

ALS to Southard, Samuel L., 21 April 1824.

2 ALS to Story, Joseph, 22 September 1820, 26 February 1822.

ALS to Thompson, Smith, 15 October 1820.

ALS to Todd, 22 December 1796.

ALS to Tompkins, Governor, 21 January 1815.

3 ALS to Trumbull, John, 1799-1806.

ALS to Cashier of USB, 9 December 1794. Submitting copy of Mary King's signature.

ALS to Van Buren, Martin, 23 May 1823.

ALS to Van Rensselaer, K. K., 1 January 1792.

11 ALS to Van Rensselaer, Stephen, 1807-1824.

ALS to Varnum, Joseph B., 27 February 1820.

ALS to Vaughan, John, 12 May 1818.

ALS to Walker, B., 13 May 1809.

2 ALS to Wolcott, Oliver, 22 April 1813, 31 January 1818.

Miscellaneous:

Alsop, John. Power of attorney to King, Rufus, 4 July 1793.

Container 1.4

Burr, Aaron, 1756-1836, and others. Petition for bridge over Haerlem (Harlem) River, undated. Signed by Burr, Aaron; King, Rufus; Lawrence, John; Watts, Robert; Clarkson, M.; Morris, James.

Jefferson, Thomas, 1743-1826. ALS / extract to Pinckney, Thomas?, 11 June 1792. Verified and signed by Rufus King.

King, Rufus. ADS (legal) by King, Rufus and Gregor, T., 9 September 1801.

King, Rufus. ANS (bank draft), 2 March 1793.

King, Rufus. ADS, undated.

Morris, Richard. ADS signed by Morris concerning Alsop, John and addressed to Bancker, Gerard. Sworn signed statement of Alsop, John, witnessed by Bancker, Garard, 9 September 1788.

United States. Legation to Great Britain. Passport for Brooke, George, signed by King, Rufus, 9 February 1801.

All items from the Hanley Collection.

Explanatory Note Concerning Manuscript Collections Cataloged in the Card Catalog

Prior to 1990 when archival cataloging procedures were adopted at the Ransom Center, all manuscript collections were described in a card catalog.

Organization of Collections:

- Manuscripts for each author collection were organized into four categories:
- **Works:** manuscripts by the author, arranged alphabetically by title;
- **Letters:** the author's outgoing correspondence, arranged alphabetically by recipient name;
- **Recipient:** the author's incoming correspondence, arranged alphabetically by the author of the letter; and
- **Miscellaneous:** all other manuscripts and correspondence, arranged alphabetically by creator.

Materials that did not fit into these categories, such as art, photographs, books, and near-print materials such as newspaper clippings, were dispersed to other Ransom Center collections for cataloging and storage.

Abbreviations Used in Descriptions:

The symbols below were used in combinations. For example **ALS** means autograph letter signed; **Tccms** means typed carbon copy manuscript, etc.

- **A** = autograph (i.e., handwritten)
- **T** = typed
- **S** = signed
- **I** = initialed
- **Ms** = manuscript
- **Mss** = manuscripts
- **L** = letter
- **FL** = form letter
- **N** = note
- **D** = document
- **C** = card
- **PC** = post card
- **cc** = carbon copy
- **p** = page
- **pp** = pages
- **l** = leaf
- **ll** = leaves
- **nd** = no date
- **inc d** = incomplete date