

**Collection:** Associated Water Company:  
Condemnation Reports of the Passaic Consolidated Water Company

**Accession Number:** B859.01

## Finding Aid

**Date Range:** December 7<sup>th</sup> 1928- March 21<sup>st</sup> 1930

**Bulk Date:** 1929

**Creator:** Associated Water Companies

**Containers:** 2 Boxes, 15 inches x 13 inches x 10 inches each

**Size:** 3900 cubic inches

**Storage Location:** County Off-site

**Aid Created By:** Heather Cunningham, Curator

### Historical Note:

The Society for the Establishment of Useful Manufactures was established in Paterson in 1791. The original attraction to Paterson was the power generated by the water of the Passaic River falling over the Paterson Great Falls waterfall. The SUM company morphed and evolved over time to include a variety of water companies, primarily in and around Passaic County. Passaic Consolidated Water Company was one of the companies within the group, which became known as the Associated Water Companies.

### Scope Note and Content:

Each report is a typed transcript of the shorthand notes of testimony given in Passaic County court. All are related “in the matter of the application of the Passaic Valley Water Commissioners for the appointment of three Commissioners to fix the compensation to be paid for certain lands, water works and other property of Passaic Consolidated water Company, to be taken and condemned for public use.”

### Series:

The Associated Water Companies papers collectively create one of the largest collections within the Passaic County Historical Society’s holdings. Due both to the size of the collection and the various names of companies within the Associated Water Companies, this collection was stored in fragments and reorganized/disorganized repeatedly during its history.

The reports in this collection were all donated to the Society together, years after the bulk of material associated with the Associated Water Companies became a part of the PCHS collection. Therefore, this collection is strongly linked to the documents in B653.

These reports are organized in ascending numerical order by report. Some reports are missing. Each book appears indexed and contains a contents page.