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**Salt Lake County (Utah). Clerk  
Foreign Incorporation Case Files, 1880-1961**

Series #CL-022

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## Overview of Records

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| Creator:       | Salt Lake County Clerk   |
| Title:         | Foreign Incorporation Case Files   |
| Dates:         | 1880-1961  |
| Series Number: | CL-022   |
| Quantity:      | 6.0 cubic feet (279 microfilm reels in 6 CF Arc boxes)   |
| Arrangement:   | Case files numerical by case number.<br><br>Foreign corporations index alphabetical by first letter of corporation name for 1891-1961. Oaths of office index alphabetical by corporate officer name (later years by corporation name). |
| Abstract:      | Incorporation case files containing articles of incorporation of companies not organized under the current laws of Utah and conducting business within Salt Lake County.   |

## Administrative Information

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| Access Restrictions: | None  |
| Use Restrictions:    | None  |
| Preferred Citation:  | Case file number and reel number; Foreign Incorporation Case Files, 1880-1961; Salt Lake County Clerk; Salt Lake County Records Management & Archives, West Valley City, Utah.  |
| Provenance:          | Created and maintained by the Salt Lake County Clerk until 1968 when the entire series was transferred to the Utah State Archives. Permission to microfilm and destroy the original case files was granted on January 29, 1965. Archivaly processed by the Utah State Archives in 1994. After microfilming was completed, the series inventory was updated in 1997 and again in 2001 after earlier misplaced cases 1-140 were once again found. Film copies transferred to the Salt Lake County Archives in 2002. |
| Related Records:     | Foreign Incorporations Index provides alphabetical access to the Foreign Incorporations Case Files.<br><br>The Incorporation Oaths of Office Index, series CL-021, includes oaths for officers of foreign incorporations in Salt Lake County.   |

Articles of Incorporation Case Files and Record Books, 1869-1961, Series CL-021, contains the case files and official recordation of corporations newly organized under the current laws of Utah and conducting business within Salt Lake County.

## History Note

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The Salt Lake County Clerk was first created as Clerk of the County Court in 1850 by the provisional government of the State of Deseret. The clerk also acted as ex-officio clerk of the probate court. The clerk's duties as probate court clerk ended when the granting of statehood in 1896 dissolved the probate court. Following statehood, the name was officially changed to County Clerk.

The County Clerk is the accountant and bookkeeper of the county and is required to keep an official record of every business transaction of the county and carefully file all papers, books, and records which pertain to public affairs. The clerk also has a number of responsibilities in the conduct of elections and the organization of political parties in Utah. (*Source: Utah State Archives Agency History #956*)

County Clerks and the Secretary of State were responsible for recording incorporation records in the state until 1962, when the law changed and the state became solely responsible for recording incorporation records. Current incorporation records are recorded by the Division of Corporations within the Department of Commerce. Researchers seeking incorporation records for businesses active after 1974 will need to contact the Division of Corporations through their homepage: <http://www.corporations.utah.gov> or at 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84111. Telephone (801) 530-4849. (*Source: "Incorporation Records at the Utah State Archives."* <http://archives.utah.gov/research/guides/incorporation.htm> accessed 10/31/2008)

## Scope and Content Note

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### Foreign Incorporation Case Files, 1880-1961

Foreign incorporations include businesses not organized under the current laws of Utah. Before doing any business within the state, corporations filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal place of business was to be situated.

Foreign incorporation case files contain, at a minimum, the original articles of incorporation and any subsequent amendments. Some files also contain notices to pay licensing fees and taxes, oaths of office for corporate officers, annual reports, correspondence, mergers, and other miscellaneous documents. Case files were created during the length of a corporation's existence. The original case file was generated upon initial incorporation within the state of Utah but governed by laws "...other than the laws of this state" and served as evidence of "due incorporation of the corporation" [UCA 16-10-2]. The series ended in 1961 when registration of corporations was transferred to state government and the Utah Division of Corporations was created.

Articles of incorporation constitute a contract between the state and corporation, between corporation and stockholders, and between the stockholders and state. The articles of incorporation recorded the following: names of the incorporators and their places of residence; the length of the corporation's existence; the pursuit of business agreed upon; amount of stock each shareholder received; description of stock classes; number and kind of corporate officers; and number of directors necessary to transact corporate business. Documents produced after the initial incorporation and creation of the case files were integrated by the County Clerk to maintain the original case number order. (*Source: Utah State Archive's finding aid for series 4019*)

**Gaps in the series: Cases 3947-3951, and 4085-4090 are assumed to be missing.**

Indexes:

Two types of indexes were created by the Salt lake County Clerk to facilitate access to the Foreign Incorporation Case Files:

- 1) The Foreign Corporations Index (1891-1961) is alphabetical by first letter of corporation name. Researchers will need to check the entire listing under the alphabetical letter to ensure finding the corporation they are researching. Each entry includes the following information: name of the corporation; case number; amendments; corporate name changes; name changes of agents representing the corporation in Utah; and dissolutions or withdrawal decrees.
- 2) The Oaths of Office Index (Series CL-021) includes oaths of officers of foreign incorporations. The index for 1916-1917 is alphabetical by corporate officer name and includes date of the oath of office, office held, corporation number, and corporation name. 1918-1931 is alphabetical by corporation name and includes date, number of oaths filed, corporation number, and sometimes the name of the officer and office held.

## **Container List**

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### **Foreign Corporations Index, 1880-1961:**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Description</b> |
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| 1 | A-Z |
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### **Oaths of Office Indexes, 1916-1931:**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Description</b> |
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|---|---|
| 1 | Book 1: 1916-1917<br>Book 2: 1918-1923<br>Book 3: 1924-1931 |
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### **Foreign Incorporation Case Files:**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b> |
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|    |                       |
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|    | 1-45 (See reel 276)   |
|    | 46-95 (See reel 277)  |
|    | 96-140 (See reel 278) |
| 1  | 141-167               |
| 2  | 168-209               |
| 3  | 210-243               |
| 4  | 244-285               |
| 5  | 286-315               |
| 6  | 316-337               |
| 7  | 338-346               |
| 8  | 347-359               |
| 9  | 360-383               |
| 10 | 384-417               |
| 11 | 418-440               |

**Foreign Incorporation Case Files (cont.):**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b>         |
|-------------|---------------------------------|
| 12          | 441-475                         |
| 13          | 476-495                         |
| 14          | 496-514                         |
| 15          | 515-543 (Case 521, see reel 18) |
| 16          | 544-566                         |
| 17          | 567-579                         |
| 18          | 521, 580-600                    |
| 19          | 601-613                         |
| 20          | 614-641                         |
| 21          | 642-663                         |
| 22          | 664-688                         |
| 23          | 689-694                         |
| 24          | 695-730                         |
| 25          | 731-764 (Case 760, see reel 27) |
| 26          | 765-783                         |
| 27          | 760, 784-790                    |
| 28          | 791-816                         |
| 29          | 817-836                         |
| 30          | 837-857                         |
| 31          | 858-873                         |
| 32          | 874-884                         |
| 33          | 885-899                         |

**Foreign Incorporation Case Files (cont.):**

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|----|-----------|
| 34 | 900-917   |
| 35 | 918-930   |
| 36 | 930-956   |
| 37 | 957-972   |
| 38 | 973-988   |
| 39 | 989-998   |
| 40 | 999-1020  |
| 41 | 1021-1038 |
| 42 | 1039-1060 |
| 43 | 1061-1081 |
| 44 | 1082-1098 |
| 45 | 1099-1123 |
| 46 | 1124-1138 |
| 47 | 1139-1149 |
| 48 | 1150-1169 |
| 49 | 1170-1192 |
| 50 | 1193-1208 |
| 51 | 1209-1229 |
| 52 | 1230-1242 |
| 53 | 1243-1254 |
| 54 | 1255-1268 |
| 55 | 1269-1272 |

**Foreign Incorporation Case Files (cont.):**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b>            |
|-------------|------------------------------------|
| 56          | 1273-1278                          |
| 57          | 1278-1280                          |
| 58          | 1281-1297                          |
| 59          | 1298-1312                          |
| 60          | 1313-1326                          |
| 61          | 1327-1347                          |
| 62          | 1348-1368                          |
| 63          | 1369-1384                          |
| 64          | 1385-1398                          |
| 65          | 1399-1400                          |
| 66          | 1401-1417                          |
| 67          | 1418-1425                          |
| 68          | 1426-1439                          |
| 69          | 1440-1456                          |
| 70          | 1457-1471                          |
| 71          | 1472-1485, 1536                    |
| 72          | 1486-1505                          |
| 73          | 1506-1528                          |
| 74          | 1529-1535 (Case 1536, see reel 71) |
| 75          | 1537-1559                          |
| 76          | 1560-1578                          |
| 77          | 1579-1587                          |

**Foreign Incorporation Case Files (cont.):**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b> |            |
|-------------|-------------------------|------------|
| 78          | 1588-1597               |            |
| 79          | 1598-1600               |            |
| 80          | 1601-1621               |            |
| 81          | 1622-1636               |            |
| 82          | 1637-1650               |            |
| 83          | 1651-1668               | 1669-1688? |
| 84          | 1689-1692               |            |
| 85          | 1693-1716               |            |
| 86          | 1717-1734               |            |
| 87          | 1735-1755               |            |
| 88          | 1756-1770               |            |
| 89          | 1771-1775               |            |
| 90          | 1776-1791               |            |
| 91          | 1792-1800               |            |
| 92          | 1801-1809               |            |
| 93          | 1810-1826               |            |
| 94          | 1827-1852               |            |
| 95          | 1853-1869               |            |
| 96          | 1870-1879               |            |
| 97          | 1880-1890               |            |
| 98          | 1891-1905               |            |
| 99          | 1906-1922               |            |

**Foreign Incorporation Case Files (cont.):**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b>                   |
|-------------|---|
| 100         | 1923-1935                                 |
| 101         | 1936-1944                                 |
| 102         | 1945-1969                                 |
| 103         | 1963-1970                                 |
| 104         | 1971-1986                                 |
| 105         | 1987-2002                                 |
| 106         | 2001-2010                                 |
| 107         | 2011-2026                                 |
| 108         | 2027-2044                                 |
| 109         | 2045-2057                                 |
| 110         | 2058-2075                                 |
| 111         | 2076-2090                                 |
| 112         | 2091-2106                                 |
| 113         | 2107-2122                                 |
| 114         | 2123-2137                                 |
| 115         | 2138-2154                                 |
| 116         | 2155-2170                                 |
| 117         | 2171-2184                                 |
| 118         | 2185-2197                      2198-2200? |
| 119         | 2201-2205                                 |
| 120         | 2206-2221                                 |
| 121         | 2222-2232                                 |

**Foreign Incorporation Case Files (cont.):**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b> |                 |
|-------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 122         | 2233-2260               |                 |
| 123         | 2261-2280               |                 |
| 124         | 2281-2302               |                 |
| 125         | 2303-2323               |                 |
| 126         | 2324-2346               |                 |
| 127         | 2346-2367               |                 |
| 128         | 2368-2382               |                 |
| 129         | 2383-2401               |                 |
| 130         | 2402-2422               |                 |
| 131         | 2423-2450               |                 |
| 132         | 2451-2473               |                 |
| 133         | 2473-2489               | (Out of order?) |
| 134         | 2465-2490               | (Out of order?) |
| 135         | 2464-2481               | (Out of order?) |
| 136         | 2482-2502               | (Out of order?) |
| 137         | 2503-2521               |                 |
| 138         | 2522-2548               |                 |
| 139         | 2548-2564               |                 |
| 140         | 2565-2584               |                 |
| 141         | 2585-2606               |                 |
| 142         | 2607-2623               |                 |
| 143         | 2624-2634               |                 |

**Foreign Incorporation Case Files (cont.):**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b> |
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| 144         | 2635-2645               |
| 145         | 2646-2671               |
| 146         | 2672-2689               |
| 147         | 2690-2702               |
| 148         | 2703-2713               |
| 149         | 2714-2740               |
| 150         | 2741-2755               |
| 151         | 2756-2773               |
| 152         | 2774-2785               |
| 153         | 2786-2810               |
| 154         | 2810-2821               |
| 155         | 2821-2845               |
| 156         | 2845-2869               |
| 157         | 2869-2891               |
| 158         | 2891-2921               |
| 159         | 2922-2947               |
| 160         | 2947-2970               |
| 161         | 2971-2996               |
| 162         | 2997-3017               |
| 163         | 3018-3041               |
| 164         | 3042-3067               |
| 165         | 3067-3088               |

**Foreign Incorporation Case Files (cont.):**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b> |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| 166         | 3088-3109               |
| 167         | 3110-3142               |
| 168         | 3142-3161               |
| 169         | 3161-3182               |
| 170         | 3183-3202               |
| 171         | 3202-3218               |
| 172         | 3218-3237               |
| 173         | 3237-3245               |
| 174         | 3246-3260               |
| 175         | 3260-3282               |
| 176         | 3283-3295               |
| 177         | 3296-3314               |
| 178         | 3314-3343               |
| 179         | 3344-3357               |
| 180         | 3357-3377               |
| 181         | 3378-3390               |
| 182         | 3391-3402               |
| 183         | 3403-3412               |
| 184         | 3413-3435               |
| 185         | 3435-3461               |
| 186         | 3461-3486               |
| 187         | 3487-3508               |

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| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b> |
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| 188         | 3509-3528               |
| 189         | 3529-3553               |
| 190         | 3554-3575               |
| 191         | 3576-3599               |
| 192         | 3600-3632               |
| 193         | 3632-3654               |
| 194         | 3654-3685.5             |
| 195         | 3685.5-3698             |
| 196         | 3701-3724               |
| 197         | 3725-3752               |
| 198         | 3753-3769               |
| 199         | 3769-3793               |
| 200         | 3794-3823               |
| 201         | 3824-3850               |
| 202         | 3851-3870               |
| 203         | 3871-3898               |
| 204         | 3899-3916               |
| 205         | 3917-3946               |
| 206         | 3952-3975               |
| 207         | 3976-3997               |
| 208         | 3998-4035               |
| 209         | 4036-4066               |

**Foreign Incorporation Case Files (cont.):**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b> |
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| 210         | 4067-4084               |
| 211         | 4091-4118               |
| 212         | 4119-4135               |
| 213         | 4136-4145               |
| 214         | 4146-4180               |
| 215         | 4181-4200               |
| 216         | 4201-4223               |
| 217         | 4224-4252               |
| 218         | 4253-4281               |
| 219         | 4282-4307               |
| 220         | 4308-4333               |
| 221         | 4334-4354               |
| 222         | 4355-4365               |
| 223         | 4366-4388               |
| 224         | 4389-4416               |
| 225         | 4417-4444               |
| 226         | 4445-4469               |
| 227         | 4470-4498               |
| 228         | 4499-4521               |
| 229         | 4522-4540               |
| 230         | 4541-4567               |
| 231         | 4568-4594               |

**Foreign Incorporation Case Files (cont.):**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b> |
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| 232         | 4595-4618               |
| 233         | 4619-4647               |
| 234         | 4648-4660               |
| 235         | 4661-4680               |
| 236         | 4669-4678               |
| 237         | 4680-4707               |
| 238         | 4708-4720               |
| 239         | 4721-4746               |
| 240         | 4747-4773               |
| 241         | 4774-4800               |
| 242         | 4801-4829               |
| 243         | 4830-4866               |
| 244         | 4867-4905               |
| 245         | 4906-4929               |
| 246         | 4930-4950               |
| 247         | 4951-4979               |
| 248         | 4980-5009               |
| 249         | 5010-5038               |
| 250         | 5039-5066               |
| 251         | 5067-5080               |
| 252         | 5081-5103               |
| 253         | 5104-5125               |

**Foreign Incorporation Case Files (cont.):**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b> |
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| 254         | 5125-5149               |
| 255         | 5150-5171               |
| 256         | 5171-5190               |
| 257         | 5191-5220               |
| 258         | 5220-5250               |
| 259         | 5251-5272               |
| 260         | 5272-5295               |
| 261         | 5295-5310               |
| 262         | 5311-5342               |
| 263         | 5343-5372               |
| 264         | 5373-5402               |
| 265         | 5403-5435               |
| 266         | 5436-5460               |
| 267         | 5461-5491               |
| 268         | 5492-5528               |
| 269         | 5529-5557               |
| 270         | 5558-5591               |
| 271         | 5592-5620               |
| 272         | 5621-5638               |
| 273         | 5639-5673               |
| 274         | 5674-5717               |
| 275         | 5718-5742               |

**Foreign Incorporation Case Files (cont.):**

| <b>Reel</b> | <b>Case File Number</b> |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| 276         | 1-45                    |
| 277         | 46-95                   |
| 278         | 96-140                  |