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Terms of Access

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Accruals and Additions

No further accruals are expected to this collection.

Historical Note

In the late 20th Century the Seneca Indians commenced two actions against the State of New York regarding land rights in New York, one challenging the State's claim of ownership to approximately 50 acres under and adjoining Cuba Lake and another which claimed tribal ownership of all islands in the Niagara River within United States waters, including Grand Island, the largest, and separately contested the State and New York Thruway Authority's 1954 right-of-way over the Cattaraugus Reservation. [Previously in 1955, the Nation filed, *Seneca Nation of Indians v. Ek* in the United States District Court in Buffalo, contesting the Cuba Lake properties, but allowed the case to lapse. A copy of the

complaint in that action is ex. D to the April 18, 2001, declaration of Peter B. Sullivan filed in the 1985 Cuba Lake action (see Series IV). The Seneca Nation and the Tonawanda Band also filed claims with the Indian Claims Commission.]

In 1985 the Seneca Nation of Indians (SNI) filed a land claim against the State of New York for lands comprising the Oil Springs Reservation located around Cuba Lake in Cattaraugus and Allegany Counties'. Summary judgment on liability was granted in favor of the plaintiffs finding that the State violated the Nonintercourse Act when it purported to extinguish Indian title to the Oil Spring Reservation lands in 1858 through its power of eminent domain as part of a project to construct a reservoir which would provide water for the Genesee and Erie Canals. *Seneca Nation of Indians v. New York*, 26 F. Supp.2d 555 (W.D.N.Y. 1998) (NO. 85-CV-411C), aff'd 178 F.3d 95 (2d Cir. 1999), cert denied *New York v. Seneca Nation of Indians*, 528 United States 1073 (2000). Mediated settlement on remedies was approved by Judge Curtin on June 27, 2005.

In 1993 the SNI filed a land claim against the State of New York for Grand Island, an island in the Niagara River near Buffalo, New York. Later, the Tonawanda Band of Senecas (Tonawanda Senecas) and the United States joined as plaintiffs. Motion for summary judgment was granted for the defendant State of New York. *Seneca Nation of Indians v. New York*, 206 F. Supp 2d 448 (W.D.N.Y. 2002) (NO. 93-CV-688A), aff'd 383 F3d 245 (2nd Cir. 2004), cert denied 126 S.Ct. 2351, 165 L.Ed.2d 278.

Procedural chronology of the Seneca Nation Land Claims provided by Peter B. Sullivan on February 23, 2007:

Cuba Lake

The Cuba Lake case was commenced in 1985 by the SNI against the State. The complaint was amended in 1993 to add as defendants individuals who leased from the State cottages along the Lake in the claim area. In 1997 the United States intervened as a plaintiff, to overcome the likely jurisdictional bar of the Eleventh Amendment, and in 1998 the District Court granted summary judgment to plaintiffs on the liability issue. *Seneca Nation of Indians v. New York*, 26 F. Supp.2d 555 (W.D.N.Y. 1998) (NO. 85-CV-411C), aff'd 178 F.3d 95 (2d Cir. 1999), cert. denied *New York v. Seneca Nation of Indians*, 528 United States 1073 (2000). The parties then briefed the issue of remedies, but before ruling on that issue the Court encouraged the parties to engage a private mediator to oversee settlement discussions. As a result of these discussions the parties entered into a settlement agreement which was approved by the Court on June 23, 2005.

Grand Island/Thruway

This action was filed in 1993, with the SNI the sole plaintiff and the State, the Thruway Authority, and six individuals and businesses sued as representatives of a class of property owners as defendants. The original complaint pleaded for its first cause of action the Grand Island claim against all defendants, and the Thruway easement claim against the State and the Authority. Soon thereafter the Tonawanda Band of Seneca Indians, which diverged

from the SNI in the 1840s, intervened as a plaintiff in the Islands claim only. In 1997, following the decision in *Idaho v. Coeur D'alene Tribe of Idaho*, 521 United States 261 (1997), both plaintiffs filed amended complaints (the second such amended by the SNI, the first by the Tonawandas). In 1998 the United States intervened as a plaintiff. In 1999 the Magistrate Judge recommended granting the defense motion to dismiss the claim relating to the Thruway easement and the District Judge issued an order to this effect. In 2002 the District Court granted defendants' summary judgment motion and dismissed the entire action. Plaintiffs then appealed to the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, on both the Grand Island and the Thruway claim, and that Court affirmed in 2005. The tribal plaintiffs (but not plaintiff United States) petitioned the United States Supreme Court to hear the case, but the certiorari application was denied, finally terminating the action.

Scope and Content Note

Collection includes official court filings and decisions, expert reports and maps, and background research materials prepared during the New York Attorney General's defense of the Grand Island and Oil Springs Reservation land claims. Included in Series III is a microfilm copy of the Paul G. Reilly Collection held at Butler Library, State University of New York College at Buffalo. This collection does not represent a complete record. Mr. Sullivan sent more complete records to the New York State Archives as listed in Series V.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged in five series:

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I. Grand Island- Motion for Summary Judgment

Contains copies of various court filings including pleadings and briefs, documentary evidence (e.g. expert reports), transcript of oral argument and the United States District Court decision. Numbers in brackets taken from handwritten notes indicate the order in which the items were filed and recorded with the court and serve as a reference number in subsequent filings. Background materials to documentary evidence are located in Series II.

I.A Pleadings

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I.B Motion Papers: Briefs

Scope and content: Mr. Sullivan's "court notebook" includes eleven numbered briefs with handwritten notes. These are followed by briefs arranged by party, some of which are duplicates of those in the court notebook.

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- Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, March 23, 2000 [#284]
- 1.4 Sullivan notebook, #4, Defendants' Memorandum in Response to Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment, May 26, 2000 [#330]- includes copy of email about the rearrangement of Hutchins exhibit in the Joint Appendix, dated 5/23/03
- 1.5 Sullivan notebook, #5, United States' Memorandum in Opposition to Defendants' Summary Judgment Motion, May 31, 2000 [#334]; #6, Seneca Nation and Tonawanda Band of Seneca's' Opposition to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment, June 2, 2000 [#328]
- 1.6 Sullivan notebook, #7, Reply Memorandum to Plaintiff's Oppositions to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment, June 16, 2000
- 1.7 Sullivan notebook, #8, United States' Reply Memorandum in Support of Its Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, June 16, 2000; #9, Seneca Nation and Tonawanda Band of Seneca Joint Reply Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, June 15, 2000
- 1.8 Sullivan notebook, #10, Plaintiffs Joint Statement of Material Facts as to Which There Exists a Genuine Issue to Be Tried; #11, Seneca Nation's, Tonawanda Band of Seneca's, and United States Joint Statement of Undisputed Material Facts, March 23, 2000 [#296] Note: does not include appendix- see next item.
- 1.9 Seneca Nation's, Tonawanda Band of Seneca's, and United States' Joint Statement of Undisputed Materials Facts, with exhibits 1-30, March 23, 2000 [#296]
- 1.10 **Defendant's briefs:** Memorandum in Support of Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment, March 23, 2000 [duplicate of #288, Sullivan notebook #1]; Defendants' Opposition to Plaintiffs' Motions for Partial Summary Judgment (Substituted Version), June 14, 2000; Defendants' Second Supplemental Reply Brief, November 14, 2000 [#376]
- 1.11 Plaintiffs' briefs (Seneca): Seneca Nation and Tonawanda Band of Seneca Joint Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, March 23, 2000 [duplicate of #284, Sullivan notebook #3]; Seneca Nation and Tonawanda Band of Seneca Joint Reply Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, June 15, 2000 [duplicate of Sullivan notebook #9]
- 1.12 **Plaintiffs' briefs (United States):** United States' Memorandum in Support of Partial Summary Judgment, Substituted Version March 28, 2000 [duplicate of #294, Sullivan notebook #2]; United States' Memorandum in Opposition to Defendants' Summary Judgment Motion, May 31, 2000 [duplicate of #334, Sullivan notebook #5]; United States' Reply Memorandum in

Support of Its Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, June 16, 2000 [duplicate of Sullivan notebook #8]; United States' Second Supplemental Memorandum in Support of Motion for Partial Summary Judgment, November 15, 2000

I.C Motion Papers: Documentary Evidence

Includes copies of experts' affidavits, reports and exhibits filed with the United States District Court.

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- 1.13 von Gernet, Alexander. Aboriginal Use and Occupancy of the Niagara River Environs: Opinion Report. Sept. 1999. 62 pp. Bibliography, pp.42-50; Vita, 51-62; cover affidavit [#290]; Note: See folders 8.1 to 10.6 for all supporting documents. (Defendants' expert)
- 2.1 Hutchins, Francis G. [Expert affidavit in support of non-state defendants' motion for summary judgment with exhibits] Mar. 2000; Vita, App.11 [#291] (Defendants' expert)
- 2.2-2.5 Sullivan, Peter B. [...copies of various documents relative to this action and to the defendants' motion for summary judgment- Exhibits 1-36 with tabs] March 24, 2000- includes relevant treaties, book and report excerpts, Congressional materials, Indian Claims Commission decision 342-A (Seneca Nation of Indians) and 368-A (Tonawanda Band of Senecas) (1963), expert reports and extractions of deposition transcripts of Louis De Vorsey & Laurence Hauptman; De Vorsey report: A Report of the Seneca Nation's Boundary Along the Niagara River in the 1794 Treaty with the Six Nations at Canandaigua; Hauptman report: A Response to Dr. Alexander von Gernet's Aboriginal Use and Occupancy of the Niagara River Environs. [#292]
- 3.1 Sullivan, Peter B. [...copies of various documents relative to this action and to the defendants' motion for summary judgment- Exhibits 37-61] May 26, 2000 [# 329] Note: continues #292 above. [unbound, no tabs]
- 3.2 Sullivan, Peter B. [...copies of various documents relative to this action and to the defendants' motion for summary judgment- Exhibits 75-78] May 26, 2000 [# 350] Note: continues #329 above. [unbound, with tabs]
- 3.3 United States Memorandum in Support of Partial Summary Judgment Appendix, March 24, 2000. Includes copies of numerous maps, declarations, affidavits, treaties, book excerpts, Indian Claims Commission decisions. [#298] [spiral bound with tabs]
- 3.4 Seneca Nation and Tonawanda Band of Senecas Opposition to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment- Appendix [App. to #336] [spiral bound with 36 exhibits] - includes unattached

oversized map: *Plan of Niagara River Between the Lakes Ontario and Erie with different Posts on that Communication by Sir William Johnson, No. 74796 (New York State Library, Manuscript Division) (1764)* (showing & Boundary of the Land Granted to His Majesty by the Six Nations at the Congress held by Sir William Johnson at Niagara in July)

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I.E United States District Court decision

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II.A United States Court of Appeals, 2nd Circuit

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5.1-6.4	Joint Appendix- 9 paperbound volumes with handwritten notes including an Index to All Volumes and Maps, Special Appendix (Islands Claim) [SPA], Volumes 1 to 7. Last volume contains numbered tabs and all maps. (9 vol.)

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III.A Defense Experts

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7.1-7.2	Bowler, R. Arthur. Letter with attachments, April 27, 1998; Bowler report on <i>Ownership of Islands in the Niagara River</i> with Appendix
7.3	Hutchins, Francis G. Controlling the Strait of Niagara, Confidential draft, December 1994. Contains handwritten notes.
7.4	Rakove, Jack. Preliminary memorandum on issues relating to the Articles of Confederation, the Fort Stanwix Treaty of 1784, and the politics of western lands and Indian land cessions, November 24, 1997. 22 pp.; The Treaty of Canandaigua (1794) in its Constitutional Nexus, Confidential draft, [no date]. 47 pp.
7.5	Rakove, Jack. [working papers] includes photocopies of Continental Congressional correspondence, and other contemporary sources arranged in original order marked Exhibit O-24; to Exhibit O-51; [56 leaves numbered by processor]
7.6	Rakove, Jack. [working papers] includes Rakove's draft report on the Oneida Indians land claim, proposed Findings of Fact for the Oneida claim (1985), confidential draft of Francis Hutchins' report on Grand Island issues (February 2000), copies and notes from the Thomas J. Pickering Papers, Phillip Schuyler Papers, and the Pennsylvania Archives.
8.1-10.6 (20 f.)	von Gernet, Alexander. Ph.D. Aboriginal Use and Occupancy of the Niagara River Environs includes Supporting Documents, Volumes A through F, with numbered tabs 1-79; each volume has table of contents. Note: Expert report and affidavit in folder 1.13.

III.B Plaintiff Experts

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11.1-11.5	Campisi, Jack. Ph.D. Affidavit dated March 20, 2000 and vita; Report of Seneca Nation's Expert Witness, Jack Campisi, Ph.D. June 18, 1999, Vol. I Report, Vol. II Exhibits 1-13, Vol. III Exhibits 14-18.
11.6-11.7	DeVorse, Louis. Ph.D. Deposition of Louis DeVorse, January 20, 2000. 174 pp. plus exhibits: no. 1, vita; no. 2, DeVorse expert report A Report of the Seneca Nation's Boundary Along the Niagara River in the 1794 Treaty with the Six Nations at Canandaigua; no. 3, Pickering's Letter to the Secretary of War, Dec. 26, 1794; no. 4 excerpt from the Annual Report of the State Historian; no. 5, Pickering's Letter to the Secretary of War dated Nov. 12, 1794; no. 6, Canandaigua

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- 12.1 Hauptman, Laurence M. Ph.D. Report to Arlinda Locklear on Seneca Land Claims: Part I: Grand Island, February 28, 1997. 59 pp.; A Response to Dr. Alexander von Gernet's Aboriginal Use and Occupancy of the Niagara River Environs: Opinion Report, November 1999. 43 pp. plus appendix with vita [working copy marked by Mr. Sullivan and handwritten margin notes]
- 12.2 Oberg, Michael Leroy. Ph.D. Deposition of M.Oberg, January 19, 2000. 39 pp. plus index. The Treaty of New York (1790), 20 pp. plus vita. [working copy marked by Mr. Sullivan and handwritten margin notes]; Rebuttal Report: The Treaty of Hopewell, 16 pp.
- 12.3 Rubinfeld, Jed. Ph.D. Rebuttal Report of the United States ...On a Cession of Land to the United States by the Seneca Indian Nation at the Treaty of Fort Stanwix in 1784 and a Retrocession of that Land Back to the Seneca Nation at the Treaty of Canandaigua in 1794, November 19, 1999. 37 pp. (Professor of Law, Yale Law School, Yale University)

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| 12.4 | Journal articles: Hauptman, Laurence M. Circle the Wagons; <i>Capital Region</i> , February 1987, pp. 29. [5 p.]; Rowley, Howard. ;Response to Laurence Hauptman Article 'Circle the Wagons'; [...in response to an article printed in <i>Akwesasne Notes</i> , Vol. 19, #1.- taken from editor's note.] 1 p.; Arden, Harvey. ;The Fire That Never Dies;; <i>National Geographic</i> , Sept. 1987, pp. 375-403 with introduction, ;From One Sovereign People to Another;; pp. 370-373.; Smith, Jennifer. ; Up in Smoke? A Report on New York State's On-Reservation Taxing Authority;; <i>Daybreak</i> , Winter 1993, p. 9-13, [cont. on p. 19 which is missing.] |
| 12.5-12.6 | Hauptman, Laurence M. Formulating American Indian Policies in New York State, 1970-1986: A Public Policy Study: A report submitted to the Governor of New York and American Indian Nations, September 1, 1986. 283 pp. with cover letter to Governor Cuomo and short biography. |
| 12.7 | Starna, William A. Indian Land Claims in New York State: A Policy Analysis, 1987. 99 pp. plus cover letter to Gov. Cuomo. |
| 12.8 | Preliminary Report to the Governor on State-Indian Relations, New York State Executive Chamber, May 1988, by Henrik N. |

- 13.1 Dullea, Director of State Operations and Policy Management. 50 pp. plus 10 p. attachments and 3 cover memos.
Hough, Franklin. Proceedings of the Commissioners of Indian Affairs, appointed by law for the Extinguishment of Indian Titles in the State of New York. Albany: Joel Munsell, 1861. 498 pp. [marked with handwritten post-it notes]
- 13.2 Pierce, Carolyn A., Principal Investigator. Stage 1 Cultural Resource Investigations for the Peace Bridge Plaza and Connecting Roadway System, Design Phases I-IV, PIN 5357.58, City of Buffalo, Erie County, New York. Prepared for by the Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority, Peace Bridge Plaza, Buffalo, New York 14213. November 28, 1995 [marked; Draft Copy;] - contains color photos. Includes separate cover letter from Stephen F. Mayer to Peter Sullivan, January 2, 1996.
- 13.3-13.4 Photocopies of Indian Claims Commission and United States Court of Claims decisions and briefs regarding the Seneca Nation: 342-A,B,C,D, H. [Handwritten notes and separated by tabs; undated working memo at end, 3 pp.]
- 14.1-14.4 Notebook labeled "American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia, Pa.- Misc. Historical Records" with table of contents and tabbed separations: 1. Letters from Ely M. Aaron, Esq.- various letters (1955); 2. Memos from Felix Cohen (1950-1952); 3. The National Archives- List of Documents Concerning the Negotiation of Ratified Indian Treaties (1801-1869); 4. Journal of William Savery Compiled by Jonathan Evans and other historical papers; 5. Robert Morris and the Treaty of the Big Tree- by Norman B. Wilkinson; 6. Assorted Primary Sources. [616 pp. numbered by processor]

III.D Paul G. Reilly Collection

Microfilm copy of the collection held at Butler Library, State University of New York College at Buffalo "contain[ing] materials culled from primary and secondary sources by Paul G. Reilly, (Reilly, Fleming and Reilly, counselors at Law, 1414 Avenue of the Americas, New York City 10019), in his research on Indian Land Claims for the Seneca Nation of Indians and the Tonawanda Band of Senecas before the Indian Claims Commission between 1948 and 1970". Taken from title page of index.

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- 16.3-17.4 (7 folders) Motion for Summary Judgment- Filings- [Court reference item numbers 69, 70, 72, 73, 82-88, 107-112, 117, 122, 123]- includes briefs, statements of material facts, affidavits and supporting documents.
- 17.5 Remedies- Plaintiff's brief dated June 14, 2001; Defendant's brief and exhibits dated June 15, 2001
- 17.6 Motion to Intervene by Seneca-Cayuga Tribe- Reply Memorandum and Appendix of supporting documents, January 14, 2003. Includes Indian Claims Commission decisions, affidavits, and expert reports by: DeLoria, Jr., Vine, Ph.D. The Seneca-Cayuga Tribe: Its Historical Status and Political Relationships (marked confidential- for the use of the Seneca-Cayuga Tribe, January 9, 2003), 18 pp. with preceding affidavit and vita; Duffield, Lathel F. Ph.D. The Oklahoma Seneca-Cayuga: Their Seneca Ancestors and Political Relationships, (marked confidential- for the use of the Seneca-Cayuga Tribe of Oklahoma, January 12, 2003) 13 pp. with vita and affidavit; Edmunds, R. David. Ph.D. Political and Social Continuity Between the Senecas in Ohio and the Six Nations in New York During the Late Eighteenth and Early Nineteenth Centuries, 14 pp. plus vita and affidavit.
- 17.7 Consent decree and Final Judgment for Civil Action No. 85-CV-411C -[Judge Curtin approved the settlement on June 27, 2005 in the United States District Court, W.D.N.Y., Buffalo, New York per included copy of email from P. Sullivan, dated 2/19/2007]

V. Additional Material

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List prepared by Peter B. Sullivan of materials sent to NYS Archives from the New York State Attorney General's Buffalo Office on the Seneca Land claims cases.
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- 17.10 Copy of court docket for 93-VC-00688 from PACER database.
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Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog.

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Genre Terms

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Related Resources

Marilyn L. Haas Collection

This Law Special Collection includes books on the Haudenosaunee (also known as the Iroquois Indians or Six Nations) with special emphasis on the Senecas and Tuscaroras.

Howard R. Berman Collection

This Law Special Collection includes books on the Haudenosaunee (also known as the Iroquois Indians or Six Nations) as well as the papers of Mr. Berman who was an early leader in the development of law on the rights of indigenous peoples.

Onondaga Land Claims Records

This Law Special Collection contains materials from litigation of Onondaga Nation land claims in central New York State, *Onondaga Nation v. New York*, et al, United States District Court, Northern District of New York, Docket 05-CV-0314
