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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
<b>Creator:</b>	Cardozo, Benjamin N (Benjamin Nathan), 1870-1938
<b>Creator - collector:</b>	Hellman, George S (George Sidney), 1878-1958
<b>Title:</b>	Benjamin N. Cardozo papers
<b>ID:</b>	4078582
<b>ID:</b>	MS#0192
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1885-1940
<b>Physical Description:</b>	10 linear feet 21 boxes
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English .

### Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); Benjamin N. Cardozo papers; Box and Folder; Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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## Biographical / Historical

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United States Supreme Court Justice & Chief Judge of the New York Court of Appeals.

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## Summary

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Correspondence, manuscripts, notes, clippings, and photographs of or relating to Cardozo, including his lecture notes as a student at Columbia, 1885-1889, and his commonplace books. Also, four boxes of printed and manuscript material collected by George S. Hellman while writing BENJAMIN N. CARDOZO, AMERICAN JUDGE; and photocopies of letters, manuscripts,

and notebooks of original Cardozo papers in the Cardozo School of Law Library. Materials re. his estate and will have been added.

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## Arrangement

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Selected materials cataloged; remainder. arranged: Boxes 1, 1A & 1B: Cataloged correspondence; Box 2: Articles about Cardozo; Boxes 3, 3A & 4: Columbia lecture notes; Box 5: Commonplace books; Boxes 5 & 6: Editorials 1938; Boxes 6 - 9: Materials for biography by George S. Hellman; Box 10: Writings by Cardozo-Photographs-Copies of letters to Annie Nathan Meyer; Boxes 10 & 11: Newspaper clippings & misc.; Boxes 12 & 13: Photocopies of letters & manuscripts in the B.N. Cardozo Papers, Cardozo School of Law, New York; Box 14: Arranged correspondence, 1918-1938; Box 15: Files of the Estate of B.N. Cardozo, 1938-1940; Box 16: Misc. financial records, Obituaries & memorials, Photograph s& Printed materials; Box 17: Correspondence, memorials & obituaries, E.J. Nathan documents & printed materials; Oversize folder of documents.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Statement

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### Revision Description

EAD document created by CCR. Boxes 10 and 10A inventory updated by CLB. 2020-10-20  
2023-08-03

### **Restrictions on Access**

This collection is located on-site.

### **Restrictions on Access**

The seven volumes of Columbia lecture notes (Boxes 3-4) are too fragile for use; reader must use the microfilm copy of these volumes. Otherwise, the collection has no restrictions.

### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Source of acquisition--Hellman, George S. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--1949. Accession number--M-49.

### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Papers: Source of acquisition--Freese, William. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--12/--/1991. Accession number--M-91-12.

### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Microfilms of 2 manuscripts: Method of acquisition--Addition; Date of acquisition--11/--/1994. Accession number--M-94-11.

### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

9 BNC letters to & re. William H. Freese: Source of acquisition--Freese, William. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--08/03/1994. Accession number--M-94-08-03.

### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Correspondence files & estate papers: Source of acquisition--Nathan, Frederic S. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--09/08/1999. Accession number--M-99-09-08.

### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

2 letters from Cardozo to J.T. Sapienza: Source of acquisition--Kurland, Philip B. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--10/07/1997. Accession number--M-97-10-07.

### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Papers: Source of acquisition--Schulson, R.H. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--1999. Accession number--M-1999.

**Alternate Form Available**

Columbia lecture notes, 1889-1890 (7 v. and 1 folder of unbound notes) are on: microfilm. See MN# Cardozo.

**Alternate Form Available**

Commonplace book, 27 Oct. 1924 - 11 Nov. 1928, is also available on microfilm. See MN# Cardozo.

**Alternate Form Available**

"Communism" (a.ms., 64p.) is also available on microfilm. See MN# 94-2006-4.

**Alternate Form Available**

"The Earl of Beaconsfield, a Jew as Prime Minister" is also available on microfilm. See MN# 93-2003-1.

**Alternate Form Available**

"Judicial Power in De Tocqueville" (64p.) is also available on microfilm. See MN# 94-2006-4.

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of the estate of Benjamin N. Cardozo.

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of George S. Hellman, 1949.

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of John Walden Myer & Rupert L. Joseph, 1951.

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of the Cardozo School of Law, New York, 1981.

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of Michael H. Cardozo, 1988.

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of William Freese, 1991 & 1994.

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of Alice Bator Kurland, 1997.

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of Frederic S. Nathan, 1999.

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of Ruth H. Schulson, 1999.

**Location of Originals Note**

Holder of originals: The originals of the letters and manuscripts in Boxes 12 & 13 are in the--Cardozo School of Law Library. New York, N.Y

**Processing Information**

Cataloged Christina Hilton Fenn 04/17/1989.

**Processing Information**

Papers Processed HR 01/10/1992.

**Processing Information**

Microfilms of 2 manuscripts Processed HR 11/07/1994.

**Processing Information**

9 BNC letters to & re. William H. Freese Cataloged HR 11/23/1994.

**Processing Information**

Correspondence files & estate papers Cataloged & processed HR 12/13/1999.

**Processing Information**

2 letters from Cardozo to J.T. Sapienza Cataloged HR 01/24/2000.

### **Processing Information**

Papers Processed HR 05/02/2000.

### **Terms Governing Use and Reproduction**

Literary rights of Benjamin N. Cardozo are held by. Columbia University.

### **Terms Governing Use and Reproduction**

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### **Terms Governing Use and Reproduction**

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### **Terms Governing Use and Reproduction**

Readers must use microfilm of materials specified above.

### **Existence and Location of Copies**

Letters and manuscripts in Boxes 12 & 13 are: Type of reproduction--photocopies

### **Accruals**

Materials may have been added to the collection since this finding aid was prepared. Contact [rbml@columbia.edu](mailto:rbml@columbia.edu) for more information.

### **Processing Information**

Note that in the past, select correspondence was removed from Series II: Papers and cataloged individually in Series I.

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

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- Law -- Study and teaching
- Addresses
- Agreements



- Articles
- Biographies (literary works)
- Commonplace books
- Contracts
- Essays
- Financial records
- Lecture notes
- Lectures
- Manuscripts for publication
- Microfilms
- Mortgages
- Notebooks
- Notes (documents)
- Obituaries
- Photographs
- Photographic prints
- Proofs (printed matter)
- Wills
- Judges
- Lawyers
- Broun, Heywood, 1888-1939
- Burlingham, Charles C (Charles Culp), 1858-1959
- Butler, Nicholas Murray, 1862-1947
- Crater, Joseph Force, 1889-
- Edman, Irwin, 1896-1954
- Feis, Herbert, 1893-1972
- Frankfurter, Felix, 1882-1965
- Gildersleeve, Virginia Crocheron, 1877-1965
- Hand, Learned, 1872-1961
- Hellman, George S (George Sidney), 1878-1958
- Hughes, Charles Evans, 1862-1948
- Hurst, Fannie, 1889-1968
- Kallen, Horace Meyer, 1882-1974
- Laski, Harold Joseph, 1893-1950
- Meyer, Annie Nathan, 1867-1951
- Meyer, Eugene, 1875-1959
- Ochs, Adolph S (Adolph Simon), 1858-1935
- Odell, George Clinton Densmore, 1866-1949
- Phelps, William Lyon, 1865-1943
- Pound, Roscoe, 1870-1964
- Roosevelt, Franklin D (Franklin Delano), 1882-1945
- Seabury, Samuel, 1873-1958
- Smith, Alfred Emanuel, 1873-1944
- Stokes, Anson Phelps, 1874-1958
- Stone, Harlan Fiske, 1872-1946
- Sulzberger, Arthur Hays, 1891-1968
- Thomas, Norman, 1884-1968

- Wagner, Robert F (Robert Ferdinand), 1877-1953
- Whitman, Charles S., 1868-1947
- Wise, Stephen S (Stephen Samuel), 1874-1949
- Young, Owen D., 1874-1962
- Columbia University -- : Students
- New York (State). Court of Appeals
- United States. Supreme Court

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## Publications About Described Materials

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Hellman, George Sidney Benjamin N. Cardozo, American Judge. New York: Whittlesey House, McGraw-Hill Book Company, 1940.

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## Collection Inventory

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### Series I: Correspondence

#### Subseries I.1: Cataloged Correspondence

Title/Description	Instances
Bliss, Mildred Barnes (Mrs. Robert W.)	box 1
Broun, Heyward	box 1
Burlingham, Charles Culp	box 1
Butler, Nicholas Murray	box 1
Cardozo, Benjamin Nathan, 1907-1932, undated	box 1
Cardozo, Benjamin Nathan, 1933-1935	box 1A
Cardozo, Benjamin Nathan, 1936-1937	box 1B
Cardozo, Michael Hart	box 1B
Chanler, Margaret Terry (Mrs. Winthrop) Cohn, Alfred Einstein	box 1B
Crater, Joseph Force	box 1B
Edman, Irwin	box 1B
Feis, Herbert	box 1B
Frankfurter, Felix	box 1B

Gilder, Rodman	box 1B
Gildersleeve, Virginia C.	box 1B
Hand, Learned	box 1B
Hellman, George Sidney	box 1B
Hughes, Charles Evans	box 1B
Hurst, Fannie	box 1B
Kallen, Horace Meyer	box 1B
Laski, Harold Joseph	box 1B
Lehman, Herbert Henry	box 1B
Lehman, Sissie Straus (Mrs. Irving)	box 1B
Meyer, Annie Nathan	box 1B
Meyer, Eugene	box 1B
Nathan, Maud Nathan	box 1B
Ochs, Adolph Simon	box 1B
Odell, George Clinton Densmore	box 1B
Parsons, Geoffrey	box 1B
Phelps, William Lyon	box 1B
Pound, Roscoe	box 1B
Powell, Thomas Reed	box 1B
Rauh, Joseph, Jr.	box 1B
Roosevelt, Franklin Delano	box 1B
Rosenthal, Lessing	box 1B
Seabury, Samuel	box 1B
Seligman, Eustace	box 1B
Smith, Alfred Emanuel	box 1B
Solis-Cohen, Solomon	box 1B
Stokes, Anson Phelps	box 1B
Stone, Harlan Fiske	box 1B
Straus, Helen Sachs (Mrs. Nathan)	box 1B
Sulzberger, Arthur Hays	box 1B
Thomas, Norman Mattoon	box 1B
Villard, Oswald Garrison	box 1B

Wagner, Robert Ferdinand	box 1B
Whitman, Charles Seymour	box 1B
Wickser, Philip John	box 1B
Wise, Stephen Samuel	box 1B
Young, Owen D.	box 1B

## Subseries I.2: Arranged Correspondence

Title/Description	Instances
Arranged Correspondence, 1918-1938	box 14

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## Series II: Papers

Title/Description	Instances
Articles About Cardozo	box 2
Columbia Lecture Notes--Notebooks <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 folders	box 3
<b>Scope and Contents</b>  One folder containing four notebooks. These notebooks were not filmed and are not available on microfilm.	
Columbia Lecture Notes <u>Conditions Governing Access:</u> <b>Conditions Governing Access</b>  Originals are fragile and reader must use microfilm: detailed list follows.	box 3
Columbia Lecture Notes <u>Conditions Governing Access:</u> <b>Conditions Governing Access</b>  Originals are fragile and reader must use microfilm: detailed list follows.	box 3A
Columbia Lecture Notes <u>Conditions Governing Access:</u>	box 4

### Conditions Governing Access

Originals are fragile and reader must use microfilm:  
detailed list follows.

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Columbia Lecture Notes on Microfilm

reel Cardozo

Physical Description: 1 Reels

### Scope and Contents

All Columbia Lecture Notes from Boxes 3, 3A, and 4 (7 volumes and 1 folder of unbound notes) are available on a single reel of microfilm. These contain Columbia Lecture Notes taken by Cardozo while a student at Columbia College 1889-1890.

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#### Volume 1

A lecture on modern national codes

Lectures on administrative law

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#### Volume 2

Lectures on the history of philosophy by Prof. Archibald Alexander

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#### Volume 3

Lectures on political economy, historical, radical, and statistical by Prof. Richmond M. Smith

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#### Volume 4

Lectures on political economy, historical, practical, and statistical by Prof. Richmond M. Smith (continued)

A lecture on social science by Prof. Richmond M. Smith (Comte, Spencer, Schaiffle)

Lectures on political science and comparative constitutional law by Prof. John W. Burgess

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#### Volume 5

Lectures on the history of philosophy by Prof. Nicholas Murray Butler

Lectures on ethics by Prof. Nicholas Murray Butler

Psychological lectures by Prof. Archibald Alexander

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#### Volume 6

Psychological lectures (continued) by Prof. Archibald Alexander

Psychological lectures by Prof. Nicholas Murray Butler

Lectures on history of English ethics by Prof. Archibald Alexander

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Lectures on political economy, historical, practical, and statistical by Prof. Richmond M. Smith

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Volume 7

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Lectures on political science and comparative constitutional law by Prof. John W. Burgess (continued)

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Lectures on the comparative constitutional law of the Commonwealth by Dr. A. le Bernheim

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Lectures on the history of European jurisprudence by Prof. Monroe Smith

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Folder of Unbound Notes

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A paper: "The moral element in Matthew Arnold"

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Some notes on George Eliot

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Newspaper clippings on Justice Cardozo's will

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Cardozo, Hon. Benjamin N., LL.D. "An address delivered inChancellors Hall, State Education Building, Albany, NewYork". (Albany?): Union University, Dept. of Law, Albany Law School,, 1925 June 10

**Scope and Contents**

Copy of an address.

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Columbia Miscellaneous

box 4

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Commonplace Books, 1924 October 27 - 1928 November

box 5

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**Scope and Contents**

Commonplace Book: 1924 October 27-1928 November 11, circa 86 p., contains magazine and newspaper clippings - is also available on microfilm. See MN# Cardozo.

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Editorials, 1938

box 5

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**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of George S. Hellman '99

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Editorials, 1938

box 6

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**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of George S. Hellman '99

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Material Related to George Hellman's Biography of Cardozo

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of George S. Hellman

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Material Related to Biography

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	box 6
George S. Hellman Correspondence	box 6
Final manuscript of Hellman's biography of Cardozo	box 7
Hellman Notebooks	box 7
Drafts and Proofs of Hellman's biography of Cardozo	box 8
Hellman's Notes	box 8
Hellman's Notes	box 9
Writings of Cardozo--"The Earl of Beaconfield: A Jew as Prime Minister"	box 10

### Scope and Contents

Also available on microfilm. See MN# 93-2003-1.

### Conditions Governing Access:

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Original item is missing as of 2023 August 3.

Benjamin N. Cardozo Columbia University A.B. thesis, "Communism", 1889	box 10
"The Judicial Power in de Tocqueville" by Benjamin N. Cardozo, Justice of the Court of Appeals of the State of New York, circa 1925	box 10
Published writings of Benjamin N. Cardozo, 1923-1930	box 10
Benjamin N. Cardozo Columbia College Commencement speech and list of addresses, memorials, and [judicial] opinions by Cardozo, 1915, circa 1932	box 10
Diplomas and awards (photostats), 1887-1936	box 10
George Washington Bicentennial pins, 1932	box 10
Copies of letters to Annie Nathan Meyer, 1924-1937	box 10
<u>Existence and Location of Originals:</u>	
<b>Existence and Location of Originals</b>	
Originals in the American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio.	
Newspaper clippings, circa 1927-1932	box 10
Names of Cardozo's law firm, 1878-1913	box 10
Photocopied letters from Franklin D. Roosevelt to Benjamin N. Cardozo, clipping of magazine profile of Cardozo, and business card of Frederic S. Nathan, 1931-1932, 1938, undated	box 10
Photographs of family and friends	box 10A

Physical Description: 3 folders

Newspaper clippings	box 11
Miscellaneous	box 11
<b>Immediate Source of Acquisition</b>	
Gift of George S. Hellman	
Photocopies of Letters and Manuscripts in the Benjamin Cardozo Papers, Cardozo School of Law, New York	
Letters, Vol. 1, 1916-1924	box 12
Letters, Vol. 2, 1925-1937	box 12
Manuscripts, Addresses, and Essays, Vol. 1	box 12
Manuscripts, Addresses, and Essays, Vol. 2-3	box 13
Notes on Petitions for Writs of Certiorari, U.S. Supreme Court, October Term, 1932	box 13
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Volumes	
Notebook: Constitutional History of England, Vol. 3, Second Term, 1889	box 13
<b>Scope and Contents</b>	
Law School notes, Spring Semester, 1889	
Files of the Estate of B.N. Cardozo, 1938-1940	box 15
Miscellaneous financial records	box 16
Obituaries & Memorials	box 16
Photographs	box 16
Supreme Court Photograph, autographed	mapcase 14-P-3
<b>General</b>	
Accompanied by note "PRD to make a copy and return to donor, Frererick Nathan"	
Printed materials	box 16
Schulson Gift	
Correspondence--Condolence, 1938	box 17
Correspondence--Miscellaneous	box 17
Memorials, obituaries, and funeral materials	box 17
Nathan, Edgar J., Jr.--Documents	box 17
Nathan, Edgar J., Jr.--Documents	



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Printed Material, 1925-1988, undated

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**Scope and Contents**

Includes Artwork--Rose, W.E. "Justice Cardozo"

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