

Large-Scale Manuscript Digitization in a Medium-Sized Institution



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Title	On appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina
Series	Series 2, U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals proceedings
Collection	Benjamin S. Horack papers, 1968-1971
Creator	Horack, Benjamin S. (Benjamin Shambaugh), 1917-
Date Created	ca. 1968-1971
Series Description	This series primarily comprises printed briefs prepared by the defendants and the plaintiffs for presentation to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit in May 1970.
Collection Description	Papers of Charlotte attorney, Benjamin S. Horack, relating to his defense of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Board of Education in the landmark case Swann v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education, in which the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that busing to achieve racial integration of public schools is constitutional.
Subjects-Names	Horack, Benjamin S. (Benjamin Shambaugh), 1917-Swann, James E.--Trials, litigation, etc.
Subjects--Organizations	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education--Trials, litigation, etc.
Subjects--Topics	Busing for school integration--North Carolina--Charlotte
Coverage--Place	Charlotte (N.C.) Mecklenburg County (N.C.)
Full Title	James E. Swann, et al., appellees, v. The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education, appellants : on appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina
Box Number	1
Folder Number	16
Language	eng
Object Type	Text
Digital Format	Displayed as .jp2, uploaded as .tif
Genre	manuscripts (document genre) legal documents
Finding Aid	https://library.unc.edu/manuscript/ms0042.c?

Full titles of documents are too long and redundant, so short titles are included on top.

Series title, series description, collection title and collection description strategically placed to provide context.

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Created Date	ca. 1968-1971
Partner	North Carolina Digital Heritage Center
Contributing Institution	University of North Carolina at Charlotte
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Location

Charlotte (N.C.)
Mecklenburg County (N.C.)

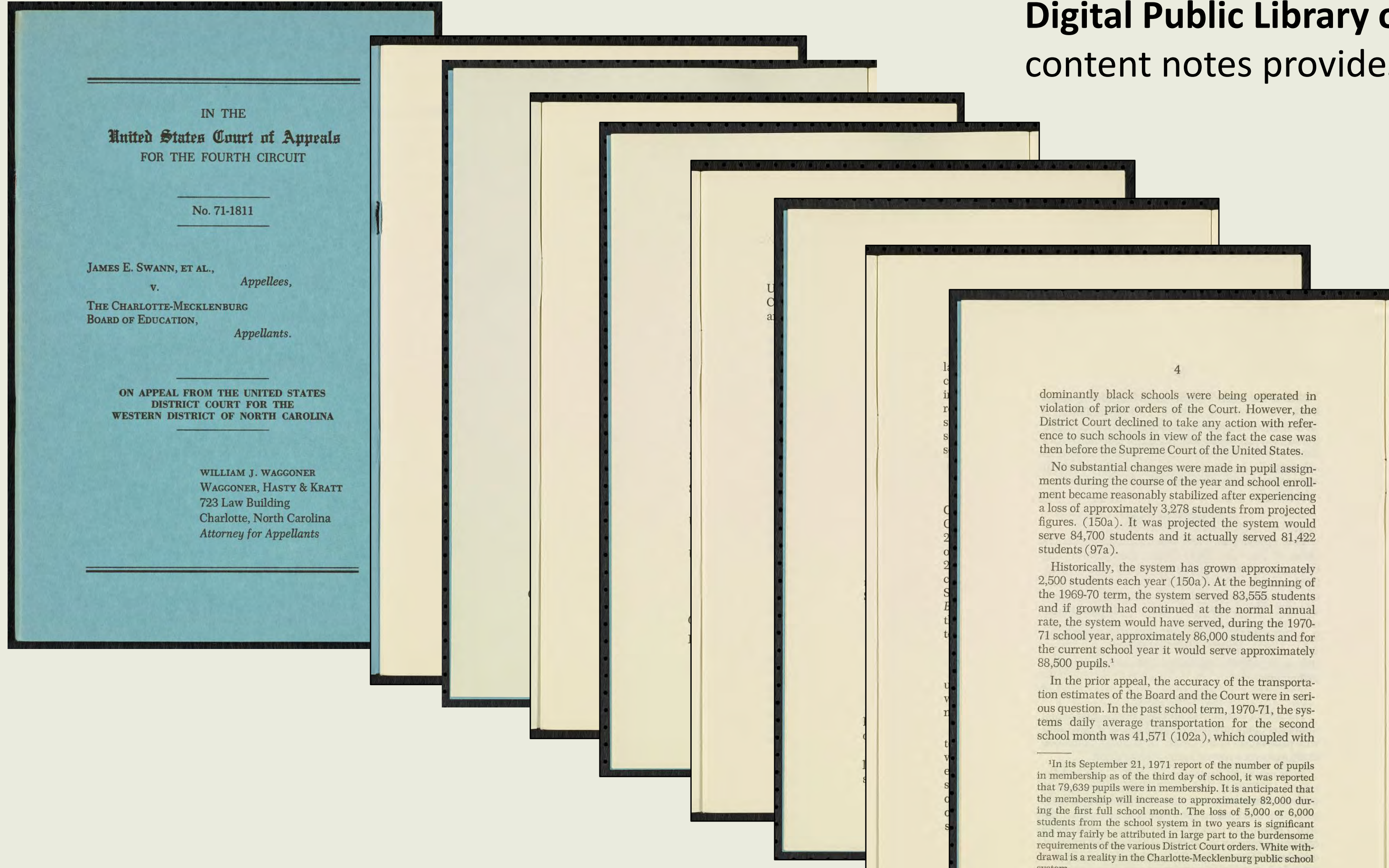
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