

Stewart Title Abstracts

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Crossroads Discovery Center

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Noblesville, IN 46060

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Collection Overview

Title: Stewart Title Abstracts Index

Collection ID: T

Creator: Stewart Title Company

Extent: 55.2 linear inches

Arrangement: The collection is arranged in two series: I. Stewart Title Abstract Index, II. Stewart Title Abstract Books

Date Acquired:

Languages: English [eng]

See instructions at the end of the document on how to search for digital collections.

Scope and Contents of the Materials

The Stewart Title Abstracts Collection contains materials created by the Stewart Title Company in the scope of their business. Abstracts detail property transactions as a form of legal document for title insurance in a real estate transaction. Materials are dated between the 1930s to the 1970s while information on properties is recorded as far back as the 1820s.

The collection includes:

- abstract books
- index of abstracts, additions, and mortgages photocopies

The collection was named “Stewart Title Abstracts” to facilitate discoverability. Collection materials are of interest to researchers who are interested in abstracts, real estate & land ownership of Hamilton County, Ind. residents. The collection was also named “Stewart Title Abstracts” to represent the company that conducted the abstracts.

The Stewart Title Abstracts Index refers to an in-collection directory that indicates what addresses are within each box. A good portion is written in PLSS or Public Land Survey System notation and includes additions and forms of property information.

Collection Historical Note

The Stewart Title Company is an international title insurance company that also offers services regarding real estate and mortgage. The Stewart Title Company was founded in Galveston, Texas in 1893 by Marco Stewart after his purchase of the Gulf City Abstract Company.

In 1991, Stewart Title Services of Indiana bought Commonwealth Title Services of Indianapolis, which had six operating branches that serviced the Marion and Hamilton County areas. Commonwealth Title had previously acquired Wainwright Title Services in Noblesville in 1987.

The Stewart Title Company still operates in Indianapolis as of 2025.

Sources

Materials in collection

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"Stewart Title® Celebrates 120 Magnificent Years." 7 May. 2013, www.businesswire.com/news/home/20130507005495/en/Stewart-Title%C2%AE-Celebrates-120-Magnificent-Years.

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“Commonwealth Title bought out by Stewart Title Services” *The Noblesville Ledger*, 5 Aug. 1991, pp. 1 & 6.

Biographical Note

Related Material

Stewart Title Services was previously found at N 2 9th St, Noblesville, which originally housed the Wainwright Title Services.

Abstract Titles and Deeds A-2

Joe Roberts Photo Collection A-3

- Can also be viewed online at the following link:
- <https://cdm16066.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/p16066coll34/search/searchterm/Jo%20Roberts/field/title/mode/any/conn/and/order/nosort>

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Separated Material

Subject/Index Terms

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Hamilton County, Ind.,

Land

PLSS

Public Land Survey System

Property

Real Estate

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Sections

Stewart Title, Ind.

Township

Forms of Material:

abstracts,

additions,

books,

deeds,

index,

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mortgages,

titles,

Administrative Information

Repository: Crossroads Discovery Center at Hamilton East Public Library

Alternate Extent Statement: 37 boxes; 55.2 linear feet.

Access Restrictions

Use Restrictions:

Acquisition Source:

Acquisition Method: Donation

Preferred Citation: Stewart Title Collection at Hamilton East Public Library

Box and Folder Listing

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II. Stewart Title Books

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- Box 34: Stewart Title Abstract - 15 books
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Searching the Digital Index

The index of the table of contents of each book of abstracts has been digitized to help find information on different properties.

Download/Find the digital scans of the index on the PC in the CRDC or request a copy to be sent to you in a zipped file.

The index is, unfortunately, not organized in any sort of order. This is because each abstract was recorded as it was ordered and created, not in geographic arrangement. The entries are recorded with the legal PLSS description. Some later entries to the index will have town names as the header, but there is no consistent pattern. Some books may not have a table of contents at all.

Digitally Searching

While you have an index file open, you can press Ctrl & F at the same time on your keyboard. This will bring up a search box that will allow you to find specific words in the document.



By using the Chrome Browser, the search bar for Ctrl+F will be on the top right of your screen.

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How to find property in the index?

Some properties are listed with their street addresses, but most are listed using the Public Land Survey System (PLSS). This will not be a full explanation of the PLSS, but enough information to help search a property's PLSS in Hamilton County, Ind.

The PLSS does not show the exact location of the property, but the general location of where it exists within its geographic coordinates.

- Township (T/Twp.) - 36 square miles of land; holds 36 1-square miles of land or 36 sections. Measure from the baseline with north and south. Hamilton Co. only uses north townships (#N).
- Range (R) - A measure of east and west from a referenced survey. Hamilton Co. only has the east range (#E).
- Section (Sec/S): 1-square mile of land.
- Quarters (Q/QTR) Subdivision of the section by dividing. Typically, use directional labels to locate.

How the index labels the PLSS is by **Quarter Section#-Township#-Range#**.

Below is an example using HEPL's Noblesville Branch address.

Address	1 Library Plaza, Noblesville, Indiana 46060
PLSS Coordinates	SW 1/4 32-19-5

To see where your address falls in the Public Land Survey System, you can visit us at the Crossroads Discovery Center to view our physical copies of historical maps and plat maps of Hamilton County, Indiana. Copies are also available online on the Hamilton County Surveyor's Office website:

- <https://www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/647/Maps-Aerials-Plats>

For a more general option, below is an online map that can search for addresses. To get all coordinates, the user will have to zoom in and out to view all details.

- <https://www.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=019dd6f39fda4d3b811abfab0878b63b>

For a more detailed explanation, please follow the link below:

- <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/sites/default/files/topic/ForestManagement/PLSSTutorial.pdf>

A video explanation is also available:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Hfsgcl-r10>

Sources

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