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## OVERVIEW OF COLLECTION

**Title:** Dan Earl Riggs papers

**Date:** 1913-2002

**Extent:** 1 Envelope

**Creator** Riggs, Dan Earl, 1914-1994

**Language:** English

**Repository:** Zach S. Henderson Library Special Collections, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA. [specolle@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:specolle@georgiasouthern.edu), 912-478-7819, [library.georgiasouthern.edu](http://library.georgiasouthern.edu).

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## **ABOUT THE COLLECTION**

**Biographical History:** Dan Earl Riggs was born in 1914 in Statesboro, Georgia. His father, Dan N. Riggs was appointed Clerk of the Bulloch County Superior Court from 1917 to 1928. In 1931, Dan Earl Riggs began attending South Georgia Teachers College (presently Georgia Southern University), where he graduated in 1937. During his time in college, Riggs was a two-time letterman for the then-South Georgia Teachers College Blue Tide football team, where he played as starting center and end. His football playing career earned him a spot in the Georgia Southern Athletics Hall of Fame, where he was inducted in 1959. Additionally, Riggs earned a letter for the college's boxing program. After graduating from college, Riggs became involved in the South Carolina National Guard, and he was promoted to Second Lieutenant in 1940. In May 1941, Riggs married Anna Mary Bailey, though they ultimately had no children. Later that year, Riggs was activated to active service in the United States Army. During World War II, Riggs was deployed as a member of Battery B, 178th Field Artillery to the European Theater of Operations for three years, where he fought in Africa, Sicily, and Italy. After the war, Riggs continued in active service, and he deployed to Korea for 14 months during the Korean War. Before his retirement from the US Army in 1961, Riggs commanded the 96th Field Artillery in Europe and was a military advisor to Turkey, each for two years. Upon retirement, the Riggs family moved back to South Carolina, where they remained until Mary Riggs' death in 1992. Dan Riggs soon remarried Ada Iree Waldon, and their marriage dissolved upon his death in 1994. Ada Riggs passed away in 2002.

**Scope and Content:** This collection consists of the legal papers of Dan Earl Riggs and his family members dated from 1913 to 2002. Materials include birth certificates, marriage licenses, legal appointments, military orders, retirement orders, death certificates, and estate appraisals.

**System of Arrangement:** All materials are arranged in chronological order based upon creation date.

**Box 1:** 0200106553288

**Acquisitions Info:** Estate of Ada W. Riggs Swainsboro Ga. gift 2005.

### **Access Points:**

Riggs, Dan Earl, 1914-1994

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## CONTAINER LISTING

**Box 1:** 0200106553288

<u>Items</u>	<u>Box Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Birth certificate of Mary Bailey, Greer, S.C., September 30, 1913	1	1
Delayed birth certificate of Dan Earl Riggs, Statesboro, Ga., February 28, 1914	1	2
Appointment of Dan N. Riggs as Clerk of Bulloch County Superior Court for term 1917-1921, signed by Gov. Nat E. Harris, December 4, 1916	1	3
Appointment of Dan N. Riggs as Clerk of Bulloch County Superior Court for term 1921-1925, signed by Gov. Hugh M. Dorsey, December 1, 1920	1	4
Appointment of Dan N. Riggs as Clerk of Bulloch County Superior Court for term 1925-1929, signed by Gov. Clifford Walker, December 20, 1924	1	5
Appointment of Dan N. Riggs as Clerk of Bulloch County Superior Court for term 1929-1932, signed by Gov. L.G. Hardman, December 20, 1928	1	6
Promotion of Dan. E. Riggs from Sergeant to Second Lieutenant in South Carolina National Guard, December 1, 1940	1	7
Orders to report to Fort Jackson, S.C. for physical examination, January 6, 1941	1	8

Report of physical examination of Dan Earl Riggs, South Carolina National Guard, February 13, 1941	1	9
Confirmation of promotion to Second Lieutenant, Adjutant General, War Department, May 3, 1941	1	10
Marriage license of Dan Earl Riggs to Anna Mary Bailey, December 12, 1941	1	11
Certificate of Service for Longevity Pay (14 years), August 25, 1948	1	12
Dan Earl Riggs Social Security account card with brochure on the program, brochure dated February 1956 <b>RESTRICTED</b>	1	13
Mary B. Riggs Social Security account card with brochure on the program, brochure dated January 1962 <b>RESTRICTED</b>	1	14
Dan Earl Riggs retirement after 32 years of service, U.S. Army, July 24, 1962	1	15
Special Orders on retirement of Riggs, Department of the Army, November 16, 1966	1	16
Conveyance of property to Mr. And Mrs. Dan E. Riggs, Greenville, S.C., August 11, 1972	1	17
Death certificate of Dever Clayton Bailey, Columbia, S.C., December 23, 1972	1	18
Certification of Thomas M. Bailey and Mary B. Riggs as executors of the estate of Dever C. Bailey, March 1, 1974	1	19
Death certificate of Mary Bailey Riggs, Greenville, S.C., July 18, 1992	1	20
Death certificate of Dan Earl Riggs, Greenville, S.C., August 1, 1994	1	21
Death certificate of Ada W. Riggs, Swainsboro, Ga., December 20, 2002	1	22
Color photograph of grave of Ada Walden Woods Riggs, Swainsboro	1	23
Appraisal of real property, Greenville, S.C., for Estate of Ada Riggs, as of December 20, 2002	1	24