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# Guide to the Henry Raup Wagner Collection of Philip Nolan Papers

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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** WA MSS S-344

**CREATOR:** Wagner, Henry R. (Henry Raup), 1862-1957 , collector

**TITLE:** Henry Raup Wagner collection of Philip Nolan papers

**DATES:** 1797-1808

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.5 linear feet (1 box)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The Philip Nolan papers document his expeditions from Louisiana into Texas in the years 1791-1801 and the reaction of the Spanish governors of Texas and Nuevo Santander, including the trial of Nolan's men by the Spanish.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

The collection was formerly owned by Edward Everett Hale. Purchased from Henry Raup Wagner in 1919.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

## **Conditions Governing Use**

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## **Preferred Citation**

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## **Scope and Contents**

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## Collection Contents

Guadiana, José María

b. 1, f. 1	Causa seguida a los individuos Anglo-Americanos ... y con siete individuos de la nacion Espanol se hallaron en union de Don Felipe Nolan .... [Nacogdoches, Tex].  Contains: Testimony of the prisoners, letters of Nolan, documentary evidence, and correspondence between Guadiana and other officials concerning the case.	[1801]
b. 1, f. 2	Diligencias practicada en Nacogdoches para evacuar la cita hechos por David Fero uno de los companeros de Dn. Felipe Nolan ....  At head of title: Texas. Ano de 1801. Contains deposition of Manuel Flores.	[1801]
b. 1, f. 3	Informaciones tomadas por mi Dn. Jose Maria Guadiana, sobre el Reo Lucas Ose, a los Americanos Colbers Estraigd [!] y Miles Estraigd [!] en 20 Septiembre de 1797. [Nacogdoches, Tex.]  Depositions of Colwell and Miles Eastridge, witnessed by Philip Nolan.	1797 Sep 20
b. 1, f. 4	<a href="#">Informacion expuesta por ochos testigos acerca de la conducta de Antonio Leal, de su mujer Gertrudis de los Santos, la amistad, trato y comunicacion que estes dos han tenido con Don Felipe Nolan. Nacogdoches and Bexar, Tex.</a>  Contains depositions, documentary evidence, and correspondence of Guadiana, Elguezabal and Nava on the case.	1801
b. 1, f. 5	Insidencias de la causa de los Espanoles y Anglo-Americanos. V.p.  Correspondence, mainly between the commandant at Nacogdoches, the Governor of Texas and Comandante of the Provincias internas, about a rumored expedition to Texas by Robert Ashley, one of Nolan's associates.	[1803-05]
b. 1, f. 6	Nacogdoches, Tex. Comandante. Diario de las Novedades Ocurridas en la salida que Yo Dn. Miguel Francisco Musquiz ... Compte. del Puerto de Nacogdoches. Verifico el quatro de Marzo de mil ochocientos uno en solicitud de el Americano Felipe Nolan y Quadrilla que le acompaña ....  Diary covers period 14 Mar - 3 Apr 1801. Detailed account of the death of Nolan and capture of his party.	1801 Mar-Apr
b. 1, f. 7	<a href="#">Provincias internas, Mex. Comandante general (Nava). Expediente relating to expenses incurred in keeping and transferring the prisoners from Nolan's Texas expedition. V.p.</a>  Reports, letters, accounts, receipts and orders.	1801-08
b. 1, f. 8	Provincias internas, Mex. Comandante general (Salcedo). [Expediente] Sobre fuga intentada por los Anglo-Americanos presos en el quartel de Chihuahua y presidio de San Carlos.  At head of title: Texas. Año de 1804. Investigation of an attempted escape by the survivors of Nolan's expedition.	[1804]
b. 1, f. 9	Richards, Mordecai. Ynstancia de Mordica [!] Richards ... pidiendo de los que acompanaron a Dn. Felipe Nolan: y resolucion del S. Cmandte. Gral. accediendo a dha. Solicitud.  At head of title: Texas. Ano de 1805.	[1805]

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| b. 1, f. 10 | <p><a href="#">Texas (Province) Gobernador (Elguezabal). Expediente relating to Philip Nolan's activities in Texas and the imprisonment of his men. V.p.</a></p> <p>Mainly correspondence between the Governor of Texas and the Comandante general of the Provincias internas, but includes some earlier correspondence with Nolan.</p> | 1797-1804 |
| b. 1, f. 11 | <p>Ynstancias presentadas al Sr. Comandte. Gral. por los Anglo-Americanos companeros de Nolan sobre diversas solicitudes: y resoluciones de S.S. acerca de ellas.</p> <p>At head of title: Texas. Anos de 1803 a 1806. Petitions of the prisoners and replies to them.</p>  | [1806]    |

## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Geographic Names**

Texas -- History -- To 1846

### **Occupations**

Public officers -- Spanish

### **Names**

Ashley, Robert, fl. 1803-1805  
Bautista, Juan  
Bean, Peter Ellis, 1783-1846  
Blackburn, Ephraim, 1754-1807  
Cooley, Zalom  
Danlin, William  
Eastridge, Colwell  
Eastridge, Miles  
Fero, David  
Flóres, Manuel Antonio de  
Galindo Navarro, Pedro  
Garcia de Texada, Antonio  
Guadiana, José Maria  
House, Thomas  
King, Charles, fl. 1801  
Leal, Antonio, 1750-ca. 1802  
Leal, Gertrudis de los Santos  
McKay, Simon  
Nolan, Philip, 1771-1801  
Osé, Lucas  
Pie, Jose del  
Pierce, Joel  
Reed, Joseph, fl. 1801  
Richards, Mordecai  
Richards, Stephen  
Walters, Johan

### **Corporate Bodies**

Nacogdoches (Tex.). Comandante  
Provincias Internas (New Spain). Comandante  
General (1792-1804 : Nava)  
Provincias Internas (New Spain). Comandante  
General (1804-1813 : Salcedo)  
Texas. Governor (1799-1805 : Elguezabal)