

## HARMAN (WILLIAM MURDOCK) PAPERS

William Murdock Harman was born 24 October 1874, at Tarkington Prairie, Liberty County. After attending Baylor University, he took a short course at The University of Texas School of Law while representing Liberty County in the Texas Legislature. Following his admission to the bar in 1909, Harman served as city attorney of Center, Texas, and as city and county attorney at Hugo, Oklahoma. He moved to Waco in 1919 and was again elected to the legislature, representing Bell, Falls, and McLennan counties from 1924 to 1934. Co-author of both the Brazos River Authority Bill and the Brazos River Conservation and Reclamation District Bill, he was active in school legislation and also wrote the measure providing for a gasoline tax refund to farmers.

In 1940 Harman formed a law partnership with his sons, William M. Harman, Jr. and Brooks L. Harman, in the firm of Harman, Harman and Harman. Appointed judge of the Seventy-Fourth District Court by Governor Coke Stevenson in 1945, he sat on the bench for three years. Harman was a member of the State Bar of Texas and the Waco-McLennan County Bar Association. [Adapted from The Bench and Bar of Waco and McLennan County, 1849-1976]

The William Murdock Harman Papers consist of warranty deeds for a tract of land located at Fourteenth and Columbus Streets in Waco which Harman later purchased, and of his 1903-1904 grade sheets and receipts from Baylor University during his one year at the school.

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