

**ACADIA PLANTATION RECORDS**

(Mss. 4906)

**Inventory**

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**SUMMARY**

<b>Size</b>	23 linear feet; 26 manuscript volumes, 58 oversize folders (18 lin. feet), 2 oversize boxes
<b>Geographic Locations</b>	Louisiana
<b>Inclusive Dates</b>	1809-1983
<b>Bulk Dates</b>	1940-1979
<b>Languages</b>	English
<b>Summary</b>	Financial and legal papers, plantation management and topical business records, printed items and graphic material, writings and manuscript volumes record the daily operations of Acadia Plantation, located in the city of Thibodaux of Lafourche Parish, La.
<b>Access Restrictions</b>	Additional items have been restricted by the donor until 2014 or 2024.
<b>Copyright</b>	Physical rights and copyright are retained by the LSU Libraries
<b>Related Collections</b>	Plater Family Papers (Mss. 4872), Edward J. Gay and Family Papers (Mss. 1295)
<b>Citation</b>	Acadia Plantation Records, Mss. 4906, Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, LSU Libraries, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.
<b>Stack Location(s)</b>	Ranges 93:7-18, J:4, and Room B6 OS:A

### **HISTORICAL NOTE**

A working sugar plantation, Acadia Plantation is comprised of three major properties originally known as Acadia Plantation, St. Brigitte Plantation, and Evergreen Plantation. Acadia Plantation is located in Lafourche Parish, Evergreen Plantation in Terrebonne Parish, and St. Brigitte is partially located in Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes.

The three plantations are consolidated farms which were assembled throughout the 19<sup>th</sup> and early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Acadia Plantation was acquired in 1875 by Edward J. Gay through a sheriff's sale. It remained in the hands of his descendants, the Platers.. St. Brigitte and Evergreen Plantations were added by direct purchase in 1903 and 1911, respectively.

All three properties were owned by well-known persons at one point or another. St. Brigitte Plantation was owned during portions of the 19<sup>th</sup> century by the family of Henry Schuyler Thibodaux, founder of the town of Thibodaux. Evergreen Plantation was owned by the family of Richard Ellis, the father-in-law of Confederate General Braxton Bragg who was also influential in state politics. Acadia Plantation and portions of St. Brigitte Plantation were owned by the Bowie family, whose members included Jim Bowie who died at the Alamo; by Philip Barton Key, a nephew of Francis Scott Key; by John Nelson and Andrew J. Donelson, of a well-known Nashville, Tennessee Family; and by Edward J. Gay, who served Louisiana in the United States Congress in the 1880s and who was a prominent Louisiana businessman and sugar cane planter; and Andrew Price, Gay's son-in-law, who also served in Congress in the late 1880s and 1890s.

The present Acadia Plantation residence is comprised of several old Creole cottages which were joined and remodeled in 1890 to become the stately residence of Representative Andrew and Mrs. Anna Gay Price.

Anna Gay Butler Plater, the favorite niece of Anna Gay Price, inherited the plantation after Mrs. Price's death in 1939. The plantation was concurrently inherited by Anna's husband Richard C. Plater, Sr., as well as their children, Richard C. Plater Jr. and Louise Plater Hale.

The Acadia property was primarily cultivated for sugar cane agriculture, although there are extensive woodlands and farm scattered about the property. Over the years the Plater family leased plots of Acadia land to tenants for such crop production as sugar cane and corn. In the 1940s, Acadia Subdivision was created from plantation lands, and part of the property was sold to the state of Louisiana for a junior college, Nicholls State, which ultimately became a four-year college and then a university.

Of great economic benefit to the plantation and its owners was the discovery of oil and gas on their land in the 1950s. This provided a supplement to the family income, and at times oil and gas royalties and lease rentals greatly exceeded income from the farm and any real estate activities.

In 1958, Richard (Dick) C. Plater, Jr. made a partial divestment of his ownership by sale to Ormonde and David Plater, his sons. Louise Plater Hale also made a donation of portions of her half ownership to her husband, R. Walter Hale, Jr., and to three trusts established for their children and guided by their attorney, Reber Boulton. Richard C. Plater, Jr., assisted frequently by Walter Hale and Reber Boulton, and ultimately by Ormonde Plater and David Plater, carried on the decision making for the plantation until about 1973.

In the early 1960s the plantation owners received on a credit sale a subdivision known as Belle Meade, and completed the sales of lots. Later, large land sales were made for the establishment of Acadia Woods Subdivision, carved out of the Devil Swamp to the rear of the old quarters. In the late 1960s land was donated for a public hospital in Thibodaux, located behind Nicholls State University, and for street servitudes to reach these public facilities.

In the early 1970s, David Plater moved from New Orleans to assist in plantation administration. Ownership began to change from the original members of the Plater-Hale families, and by the mid-1970s an administrative committee was formed for implementing decision making, consisting of Ormonde and David Plater and R. Walter Hale, III. Richard C. Plater, Jr., gradually divested his ownership to his sons and to trusts established for their children and wives, and the Plater ownership was subsequently represented by the Plater Corp. (ca. 1973-1986), Plater-Acadia Limited Partnership (ca. 1987-1997), and Plater-Acadia, L.L.C. (Limited Liability Corporation, 1997-2003). The Hale ownership, after the deaths of Louise Plater Hale and R. Walter Hale, Jr., and the termination of the trusts, was split among their children, Nancy Hale Hoyt, R. Walter Hale, III, and Vianda Hale Hill, whose interests were represented respectively by the L.L.C.'s Hoyt Acadia, Hale Acadia, and Hill Acadia.

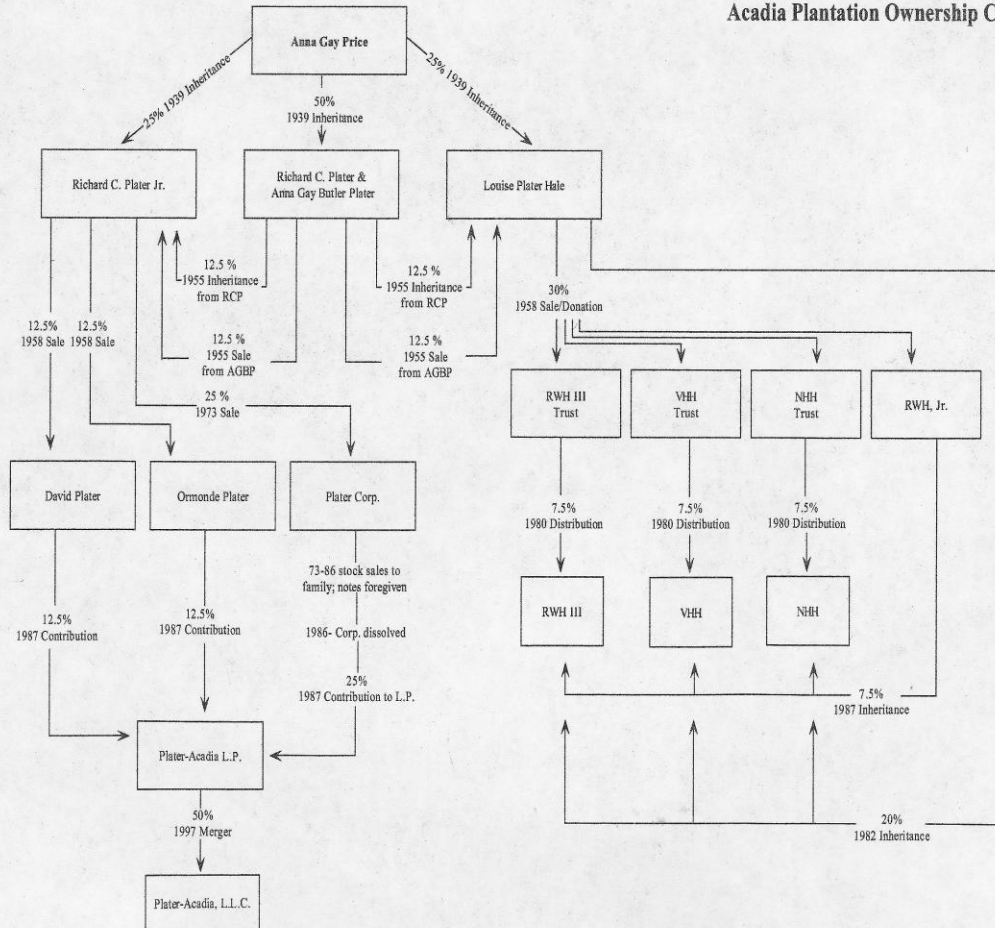
The plantation experienced further consolidation of farms in the 1970s and 1980s. There also was a growing sense of insecurity, originating in the boom and bust times of 1973-1976, concerning the future of sugar cane as a crop. The plantation attempted to diversify its economic base, improving and renting out former farm tenant or laborer houses, renting stables and baling hay for horses, establishing a peach orchard, and taking advantage of an oil boom in the early 1980s to secure long term arrangements on pipelines and gas plant sites. That oil boom, the first since the mid-1960s, lasted just long enough for the plantation to benefit from the drilling of several wells, of which one or two were long-lived and profitable.

During the 1990s, there were several economic trends of interest to the plantation owners. One was the resumption of residential construction activity in the area after a long recession in the 1980s. Another was the expansion of medical facilities at the Thibodaux Regional Hospital and the recruitment of dozens of new doctors. A third was the pick-up of oil and gas activity offshore, accompanied by a large retooling of the offshore supply and fabricating industries across the gulf coast of Louisiana, particularly from Morgan City to New Orleans and at Fourchon at the mouth of Bayou Lafourche. Finally, there was a growing consolidation of sugar cane farms and milling facilities and continued political uncertainty about the competition for the domestic sugar market from foreign sources.

In the mid-1990s, several plantation owners and other interested parties (not involved in ownership) formed a limited liability company to acquire land tracts from Acadia Plantation to develop business subdivisions. The hope was to take advantage of the market in the area of the hospital and possibly for university-related research. The plantation was attempting to fashion a land use plan, and the city of Thibodaux showed interest in incorporating an area from Nicholls east and including the adjoining Bayou Country Club; it had already accomplished some incorporation recently of farm and wood lands across from Thibodaux Regional Hospital and down through the Acadia Woods subdivisions.

Acadia Plantation was sold by the Plater and Hale descendants in October 2003 to Acadia Agricultural Holdings, L.L.C. Its principals are Jacob Giardina and Ronald Adams.

**Acadia Plantation Ownership Chart**



**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

Edward J. Gay (1816-1889) was born in Liberty (now Bedford) Virginia. He was the son of John Henderson Gay and Sophia Mitchell Gay. Gay migrated with his parents in 1824 to St. Louis via Illinois. He was a businessman in St. Louis and later New Orleans. He married Lavinia Hynes (1821-1891), the daughter of Andrew Hynes and Anne Erwin. Gay became the owner of the Hynes property, St. Louis Plantation, Iberville Parish, Louisiana, in 1856. He purchased a number of other sugar cane properties while running Edward J. Gay and Co., a mercantile concern. Gay served Louisiana as a member of Congress from 1882 to 1889.

Andrew Price (1854-1909) was born at Chatsworth Plantation, near Franklin, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana. He was the son of James Barry Price. Price graduated from the law department of Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tennessee, in 1875 and from the law department of Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, in 1877. He was admitted to the bar and practiced in St. Louis until 1880, when he returned to Louisiana and engaged in sugar cane planting. In 1879, he married Anna Margaret Gay (1855-1939). From 1881 to his death, Price managed and later owned Acadia Plantation. The couple had no children. Price served as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in 1888 and was elected in 1889 as a Democrat to the Fifty-first Congress to fill the vacancy left by the death of his father-in-law, Hon. Edward J. Gay. Price was reelected to the Fifty-second, Fifty-third, and Fifty-fourth Congresses and served from December 2, 1889 to March 3, 1897. He died at Acadia Plantation and is interred in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Nashville, Tennessee.

Anna Margaret Gay Price (1855-1939), or "Aunt Nan," was born in St. Louis, the daughter of Edward J. Gay and Lavinia Hynes Gay. She married Andrew Price on June 26, 1879 and lived at Acadia Plantation from 1881 until her death. For a lengthy period of time after about 1918 she resided in Tennessee, but returned to Acadia Plantation permanently after a 1926 storm to manage its affairs.

Richard C. Plater, Sr. (1872-1955) was born in Nashville, Tennessee, the son of Thomas Plater (b.1829, Pooleville, Maryland) and Mary Louise Bugg (born in Nashville, Tennessee). He graduated Nashville High School and later from Vanderbilt University with a Bachelor of Law in 1892. He spent one year with Capital State Bank of Nashville before organizing with his father the investment banking firm of Thomas Plater and Company. Richard married Anna Gay Butler of St. Louis in 1904. They lived in New York City from 1921 until 1940, while Richard was a partner in the firm of Clark Williams and Company. In 1940, they moved to Acadia Plantation, after inheriting it from Anna Gay Price in 1939. Richard stayed at Acadia Plantation until his death on January 30, 1955.

Anna Gay Butler Plater (1877-1961) was born in St. Louis, the daughter of Mary Susan Gay (1846-1882) and Lawrence Lewis Butler (1835-1898). She was the favorite niece and godchild of Anna Margaret Gay Price. She married Richard C. Plater, Sr. in 1904. She died on July 9, 1961, in Nashville, Tennessee.

Richard C. Plater, Jr. (1908-2004) was born in Nashville, Tennessee, the son of Richard C. Plater, Sr. (1872-1955) and Anna Gay Butler Plater (1877-1961). He graduated from Taft School in Connecticut and from Williams College in 1931. On June 4, 1932, he married Eleanore Leake of Williamstown, Mass., and New York City. They had two children, Richard Ormonde Plater (b. September 6, 1933), known as "Ormonde", and David Dunboyne Plater (b. May 3, 1936). Eleanore Leake Plater died in August 1937, in Williamstown, Mass. Richard C.

Plater, Jr., who in 1940 had moved to Acadia Plantation with his sons and parents, then married Pamela Q. Robinson of New Orleans. They were married in Pass Christian, Mississippi, on September 6, 1941. They had no children together. Richard and Pamela resided thereafter at Acadia Plantation, where he remained as manager until about 1973. At that time, his son David assumed management of the plantation, though Richard continued to live at Acadia until his death, December 25, 2004.

Louise Plater Hale (1910-1982) was born in Nashville, Tennessee. She graduated from Oldfields School, Glencoe, Maryland. Louise married R. Walter Hale, Jr., on September 29, 1934. They had three children: Nancy Plater Hale, R. Walter Hale, III, and Vianda Plater Hale. Louise died in Nashville, Tennessee in May of 1982.

Nancy Hale Hoyt (b. 1941) was born in Nashville, Tennessee. She graduated from Madeira School, Virginia, and Wellesley College, Massachusetts. Nancy married William V. Hoyt in 1963, and later divorced. They had three children. She now resides at Mountain Lake, Lake Wales, Florida.

R. Walter Hale, III (b. 1943) was born in Nashville, Tennessee. He graduated from Webb School, Tennessee, and Princeton University and Wharton School of Finance. Walter married Janin Sinclair in 1969. They had two children. After Janin passed away, Walter married Faye Allen. He is a banker with Sun Trust Bank in Nashville, Tennessee.

Vianda Hale Hill (b. 1948) was born in Nashville, Tennessee. She graduated from Madeira School, Virginia, and Vanderbilt University. Vianda married Nicholas Hill in 1971, but later divorced. They had two children. Vianda resides in Nashville, Tennessee.

Richard Ormonde Plater (b. 1933) was born in New York City but was raised at Acadia Plantation. He graduated from Christ School in North Carolina, Vanderbilt University, and Tulane University (Ph.D. in English, 1969). Ormonde married Kathleen Treadway in 1957, they moved to New Orleans in 1964. They had three children: Nancy Plater, Elizabeth P. Cropp, and George Plater. Ormonde is the archdeacon to the Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana and currently resides in New Orleans.

Kathleen (Kay) Treadway Plater (b. 1932) was born in Albany, New York. She grew up in Albany and worked for the *Knickerbocker News*. There she met and married Ormonde Plater. She worked for several years as director of billing for a doctor's office and is now retired.

David Dunboyne Plater (b. 1936) was born in Nashville, Tennessee, on May 3, 1936. He graduated from Woodberry Forest School, Virginia; Williams College, and Tulane University. David married Sheela Burke on April 25, 1962. They had three children: Bryan Plater, Christopher Plater, and Juliana P. Benner. A resident of Thibodaux, David became the main property manager of Acadia Plantation when his father retired around 1973.

**Note:** Additional historical and biographical information can be found in the *Acadia Plantation Records* inventory folder in the Special Collections Reading Room.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

Spanning nearly two centuries of Acadia Plantation in Terrebonne and Lafourche Parishes, Louisiana, the Acadia Plantation Records are comprised of correspondence, financial, legal, and miscellaneous documents, printed items, manuscript volumes, maps, plats, and photographs. The papers document business and legal dealings of the plantation owners and operators, as well as plantation operations such as sugar cane farming, the crops of tenant farmers on the property, and the planning and development of the plantation lands throughout the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.

Correspondence in the collection relates to plantation management; personal, social, and political happenings on Acadia Plantation and in Nashville, Tennessee; legal matters germane to the plantation; and 20<sup>th</sup> century plantation life and labor issues. Financial papers include cash journals, construction records, crop receipts, machinery depreciation ledgers, tenant records, and loans ledgers, as well as documentation of the plantation's dealings with merchants, including invoices, vouchers, and receipts. Manuscript volumes include crop journals, tenant rental records, daily journals of plantation owners, ledgers, and account books relating to the daily operation of the plantation. Legal documents include correspondence, contracts, and leases, and pertain to plantation legal affairs and land disputes, predominantly through the firm of Pugh, Lanier, & Pugh, Thibodaux, Louisiana. Legal documents also include an extensive collection of legal abstracts copied from Terrebonne and Lafourche Parish Public Records Offices. Printed items include land planning information, newspaper and magazine clippings, information relevant to cane farming such as herbicide information, and coastal wetlands brochures and public relations releases. Maps and plats include various visual representations of the land of Acadia Plantation, Evergreen Plantation, and St. Brigitte Plantation and also include aerial photographs of the properties. Topical files deal with various facets of plantation management and operation, including, but not limited to, plantation history, boundaries and land disputes, administration by owners, oil, real estate dealings, Plater Corporation, servitudes, the sugar industry, and tenants.

**LIST OF SERIES AND SUBSERIES**

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## **SERIES DESCRIPTIONS**

### **Series I. Plantation Management Records, 1941-1981 (0.5 linear ft., 15 Mss. Vols.)**

The plantation management records of Acadia Plantation are arranged chronologically. Most folders have been labeled with the original file names or manuscript titles. This was done when re-housing documents in order to maintain the provenance of the papers within this series. However, anything relocated within the series was done so for matters of clarity and does not detract from the integrity of the files.

Included within the series are a cadastral record, crop ledger, cropland register, daily mill records, drainage log book, cropland records, check list for farm operations, cane settlement papers, and information regarding livestock.

Manuscript Volumes for this series include:

#### **Vol. 1 Cropland Ledger, 1943-1945**

Contents are arranged by name of tenant. Ledger discusses production of corn and cane for each tenant.

#### **Vol. 2 Cropland Ledger, 1946-1971**

#### **Vol. 3 Tenant Account Book, 1953-1961**

Tenant account book for rent and agriculture production.

#### **Vol. 4 Acadia Plantation Drainage Journal, undated.**

Drainage journal that mentions Richard C. Plater, Walter Thibodaux, and Dennis Dugas. The journal contains only a few pages regarding drainage. In the back of the volume are financial expenses.

#### **Vol. 5-15 Daily Planners, 1962-1965, 1967-1972**

Daily Planners for David D. Plater have social appointments as well as daily operation activities. Social activities include cocktail parties, weddings, picnics, etc. Daily plantation operation activities include meetings, trial dates, purchases, and other office necessities.

### **Series II. Legal Records, 1809-1979 (8.5 linear ft.)**

#### **Subseries 1. General, 1867-1953 (0.5 linear ft.)**

The general legal records are arranged chronologically.

Issues addressed in this series relate to: St. Brigitte Plantation titles, a notecase belonging to W.H. Price, Sale of St. Brigitte Plantation to Andrew Price, Lafourche Parish Right of Way, St. Brigitte and Coteau Plantations, and a Water Works District Right of Way.

The majority of folders within the series are original Acadia Plantation title agreements. Included are title agreements of the Price family, specifically Henry and Andrew Price, for Evergreen Plantation, easements, and Acadia Plantation. Also included are warrants, papers, and letters which accompany the title agreements. Several agreements and supporting papers related to acquisition of land by Louisiana State University from Acadia Plantation for a junior college, now Nicholls State University. (The folder preceding these items contains a detailed index to the title agreements prepared by the donor.)

The corresponding plats, due to their size, have been removed from the documents to which they were attached and have been re-housed in an oversize location, arranged chronologically. It is indicated within the papers when an item has been removed. See the container list for stack locations for oversized materials.

**Subseries 2: Legal Abstracts, 1803-1979 (5 linear ft.)**

The legal abstracts commissioned by Richard C. Plater, Jr. of Acadia Plantation are arranged chronologically within numbered groups. The groups are supplemented by additional abstract material that was added at a later date. Folders are labeled by a group number and date of contents. Folder contents are reproductions or recordings of legal documents. The abstracts themselves are compilations of these documents. Therefore, the dates recorded on folders refer to the creation date of the original legal document rather than the date that the abstract itself was compiled.

The legal abstracts sub-series consists of documents that record legal matters concerned with or related to Acadia Plantation. These include acts of sale/lease of land; oil, gas, and mineral leases; donations; right-of-way servitudes; assignments; power of attorney appointments; partnership agreements; timber sales; successions; trust agreements; and releases, ratifications, amendments and cancellations of the above.

This sub-series also includes an abstract of Evergreen Plantation and documents related to the Dugas-Plater front line dispute of the early 1950s.

The Dugas-Plater front line dispute arose when Richard C. Plater, Jr. and Henry Dugas argued over land ownership. They needed to draw a single straight line parallel to Bayou Lafourche and the 40-arpent line dividing the property fairly. These documents include a plat that illustrates the line dispute.

Several people and organizations were heavily involved with Acadia Plantation. Some of these people include the Plater, Gay, Butler, and Price families; the Robichaux (or Robicho) family; Dominique Badeaux; the Donelson family; the Authement family; the

d'Antin (or Dantin) family; Reber Boulton; and the Thibodaux family. Some of the companies include Exxon, Louisiana Power and Light, Stanolind Oil & Gas Co., Humble Oil & Refining Co., New Orleans Canal & Banking Company; Morgan's Louisiana & Texas Railroad & Steamship Company; New Orleans, Opelousas, & Great Western Railroad Company; Texas & New Orleans Railroad Company; Southern Pacific Company; The Louisiana Land & Exploration Company; Louisiana Department of Conservation; Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp.; Nicklos Oil & Gas Co.; Entex, Inc.; City of Thibodaux; Entergy Louisiana, Inc.; and Shell Oil Co. The Platers are sometimes represented by different titles, such as Plater Family, Acadia Plantation, Plater-Acadia, L.L.C., and Plater-Acadia Limited Partnership.

The abstract volumes, which are typed copies of original documents, were created by the abstracting firm whenever Plater requested them, and cover the dates 1809-1979.

Oversized maps, plats, and other Land Office data, due to their size, have been removed from the papers and housed in an oversize location, arranged chronologically by the dates with which they are labeled. It is indicated within the papers when an item has been removed. See the container list for stack locations of oversized materials.

The legal abstracts sub-series is described to the item level in the abstract indexes, transcribed in [Appendix A](#).

### **Subseries 3. Pugh, Lanier & Pugh, 1809-1979 (3 linear feet, 1 mss. vol. )**

The law firm of Pugh, Lanier, & Pugh served as legal counsel for the Platers, and this series is comprised of the firm's records relating to Acadia Plantation. Arranged chronologically, the series includes varied legal documents, correspondence, plats, and volumes. Most folders have been labeled with the original file names used by the law firm. This was done when re-housing documents in order to maintain the provenance of the papers within this series. However, anything relocated within the series was done so for matters of clarity and does not detract from the integrity of the firm's files.

Correspondence mainly occurs between the law firm and Plater family members, primarily Richard C. Plater Jr., and regards all legal issues with the plantation, its operations, and leasing of land and mineral rights. Legal documents consist largely of donations *inter vivos*, restrictive covenants, petitions to execute an act of sale, servitude agreements, right-of-way agreements, cash sales, and contracts of lease. Included in the series are letter books that contain miscellaneous items; indexes were provided for some of the books.

Specific topics addressed throughout the series include: the Dugas boundary, Orkin, Authement Option Matter, Terre Waterworks, Audobon Properties, Shell Oil, Augen Company, Lafouche Association for Retarded Children, Sherman Bernard Matter, Bradco Matter, Exxon Matter, LeBlanc Bros. Matter, Country Club Estates, Terrebone Parish School Board, Market Garden, Thibodaux Medical Plaza, Belle Meade Subdivision, G.B.

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The manuscript volume included in this series is: **Vol. 20 “Plater Corporation Debenture Register” 1974-1980.**

The corresponding plats, due to their size, have been removed from the documents to which they were attached and have been re-housed in oversized folders, arranged chronologically. It is indicated within the papers when an item has been removed. See the Container List for stack locations.

Also see list of oversized material from this series in **Appendix B.**

### **Series III. Financial Records, 1913-1976 (1 linear foot, 7 mss. vols.)**

The financial records of Acadia Plantation are arranged chronologically. In order to maintain the provenance, most folders have been labeled with the original file names.

Financial records consist of cash journals, construction records, crop receipts, general ledgers, machinery depreciation ledgers, tenant records, and loans ledgers.

An appraisal report (1924) of the properties of Mrs. Andrew Price (known as the Acadia Factory, and the plantations Acadia, Coteau, and Evergreen) is also included within the series. This document contains oversize material that is housed separately from the series. See **Appendix C** for details. Check the container list for stack locations.

Some of the documents contain information as it relates to various merchants which had business relations with Acadia Plantation. Specific merchants include Caldwell Sugar, Lafourche Sugar Company, Magnolia Cooperative, Reality Operators, Lafourche Lumber, and J.Aron & Company. Documents consist of correspondence, invoices, and vouchers. A Cane Cutter Proposal with the Thornton Grab & Derrick Works is also included.

Manuscript Volumes included in this series are:

#### **Vol. 21 Retrospective Appraisal Report Inventory For Properties Of Mrs. Andrew Price, Thibodaux, La. Vol. 2, 1897-1923.**

The American Appraisal Co., created an appraisal report inventory for properties of Mrs. Andrew Price. These properties include: Acadia Factory, Acadia Plantation, Evergreen Plantation, and Coteau Plantation. The first volume of this appraisal was not received from the donor.

#### **Vol. 22 Tenant Payments, 1930-1935**

Includes tenant payments, implement, mules, etc.

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**Vol. 23 Receipts and Disbursements for Rentals, 1939-1944**

Contains records of receipts and disbursements. Also includes salary disbursements and expenses.

**Vol. 24 Acadia Plantation General Journal, [Account Book] 1939-1956**

Account book that includes salaries and expenses for Acadia Plantation.

**Vol. 25 Bills Receivable Register, [Cropland Register] 1940-1941****Vol. 26 Corn and Cane Tenant Rentals, [Account Ledger] 1949-1960****Vol. 27 Crop Receipts, 1961-1975****Series IV. Topical Files (13 linear feet)**

The following descriptions do not represent the entire contents of the Topical Files Series. Only topics with a substantial amount of records have been described here. A full container list is available in this finding aid. Arranged alphabetically.

**Acadia Plantation - Aerial Photos Contact Prints, 1978-1983**

Several contact prints of Acadia Plantation in the format of aerial photographs. The photographs show portions of Acadia Plantation and the surrounding vicinity of Thibodaux, Schriever, and Gray, Louisiana. The photographs were taken by the Gulf Coast Aerial Mapping Co., Inc. A set of photographs were taken on 29 January 1978, while the other set of photographs were taken on 23 September 1983.

**Acadia Plantation History, 1888-1941**

Three files consisting of correspondence, leases, and other historical records of the land that became Acadia Plantation. One folder contains the O'Sullivan-Caillouet Duel papers, which appears to be referring to an actual duel (both physical and through correspondence) that was ongoing between 1889 and 1893.

**Acadia Plantation - Ownership Meeting, 1969-1979**

Eight folders contain information compiled by David D. Plater regarding numerous ownership meetings with family members. Most documents are letters sent by David D. Plater to various family members about the meetings. Memos are drawn up by Plater, providing summaries and agendas for meetings. Handwritten notes are also included. Topics covered in meetings include: boundaries, Nicholls State University, oil & gas, employment & insurance, roads, budget, farming operations, real estate, legal matters, water lines, and the Thibodaux Medical Plaza.

Views on the Plater family meetings are also typed up by David Plater. Topics covered in meetings include: manager for Acadia Plantation, the management committee, the Acadia house, and goal-setting. Also within the files are letters from various members of the family that attended the meetings who submitted their summaries of the meeting and additional comments.

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Interesting to note are questionnaires completed by various family members regarding potential uses for the Acadia residence. David Plater seems to have compiled the questionnaire and submitted it to the family. Plater also typed up very useful information regarding Acadia for the family members. These include: a family chart, biographical sketches of owners of Acadia Plantation, property transactions since 1939, and an ownership structure of Acadia Plantation as of April 2001.

### **Audubon Properties Dispute, 1973-1977**

David Plater documents the agreements and discussions with Troy W. Thomson, Jr. and John R. Chadwick about the 5-acre triangular tract adjacent to Audubon Properties. It appears that Thompson bought the land in 1973 and in 1975 was making plans to develop the land into Audubon Apartments (Thompson Construction Co., Inc. is based out of Thibodaux, La.). Issues arose between Thompson and Plater over water, sewerage, and restrictions of the land. Included are letters from David Plater to John F. Pugh, Sr. (attorney for Acadia Plantation) about these matters.

### **Boundary Surveying – Aerial Photographs and Maps, 1976-1979**

Contains information regarding aerial photographs and maps from boundary surveys conducted on Acadia. Correspondence is between David Plater and various land surveyors such as T. Baker Smith & Son, Inc. and the U.S. Department of the Interior. Discusses geological surveying and financial matters regarding cost estimates for land surveying. Also includes information about EROS program (Earth Resources Observation Systems).

### **Boundaries, 1844-1979**

Boundary agreements, memoranda, letters, property descriptions, field notes, mineral leases, land surveys, and other legal documents regarding boundary information of Acadia Plantation. Material regarding Evergreen and St. Brigitte Plantations is also included.

Boundary files are specific to: Acadia and St. Brigitte plantations, field notes, Shell Pipeline Survey, title information, Plater/Dugas Line Dispute, St. Brigitte/Bernard, Gonzales/Kleinpeter, and Evergreen/G.B. Shaw subdivisions.

### **Financial Records, E.R.T. Marquette, C.P.A., 1970-1979**

Ten files containing the yearly financial reports of Acadia Plantation during the 1970s. They include income tax forms and yearly balance sheets listing assets and liabilities, partners' equity, income and expenses, real estate value, and outstanding notes and loans.

### **Insurance, 1940-1979**

Various insurance policies in terms of general liability, home-owners, fire/lightning, worker's compensation, and automobile are discussed throughout. Letters, schedules, and memoranda regarding insurance policies, claims, and payments make up the bulk of the nine folders. Most of the material relates to the Riviere Insurance Agency that is located in Thibodaux (La.).

### **Letters to and from Partners, 1955-1979**

Nine files containing correspondence between Richard C. Plater, Jr. and his family, who were part owners of Acadia Plantation at the time. The family members from whom correspondence has been preserved are R. Walter Hale, R. Walter Hale Jr., Louise Plater Hale, Ormonde Plater, R. Walter Hale III, and David D. Plater.

**Oil, 1956-1979**

Records of the Plater family's oil, gas, and mineral dealings. They consist of leases and correspondence between the Platers and various individuals and oil companies, such as Wylmer Pool, H.L. Hunt, J. Nolan Maurin, and Dave J. Robichaux, and Florida Gas Exploration Company, The California Company, Chevron Oil Company, Globe Universal Sciences, Independent Oil Company, Koch Oil Company, Louisiana Oil Exploration Company, Placid Oil Company, National Geophysical Company, Inc., Phillips Petroleum Company, Pure Oil Company, Shell Oil Company, Delta Exploration Company, Inc., and Shoreline Geophysical Services, Inc. The files also include information on a Conservation Commission Hearing of March 28, 1961. Included are several files dealing with the geophysical operations of various oil companies.

The leases and business dealings with Dave J. Robichaux (who maintained a working relationship with the Platers for 23 years) are a substantial section of the oil topical files consisting of 11 folders. The first mineral lease between the two entities was executed in 1970.

The oil topical files also include six files discussing the history of petroleum and mineral rights on Acadia Plantation (1933-1962). These files include mineral leases created by Anna Gay Price and Richard C. Plater and executed by the family lawyer (later judge), Emile Godchaux, in the 1930s and 1940s. Also present is correspondence between the Acadia Plantation Platers and the Nashville Prices concerning the family oil dealings.

**Plantation Operations – arranged chronologically, 1972-1979**

The Plantation Operation files, located in the Topical Files Series, are different from those in the Plantation Management Series. Although they are both arranged chronologically, their subject matter is different regarding the operations that occurred daily at Acadia Plantation.

The Plantation Operations files contain balance sheets for assets, liabilities, and partners' liabilities. They also contain budgets for office supplies, travel expenses, utilities, residence, donations, etc. Letters, memoranda, and income accounts discuss plantation operations such as soil sampling, ditches, taking aerial photographs of property, dirt moving, etc.

**Plater Corporation, 1973-1979**

The Plater Corporation files consist of correspondence among David D. Plater, Ormonde Plater, and Richard C. Plater, Jr. Various law firms are consulted on legal matters concerning the Plater Corporation; their correspondence is also included in the Plater Corporation files within this series. Minutes of Plater meetings, memoranda, gifts of debentures of trusts, and other legal documents are also included.

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Specific Plater Corporation files include: legal documents, old records, a Whitney Bank account, operations and income, incorporation, tax information, meeting minutes, annual reports, and the purchase of Acadia Plantation Property, Acadia Plantation Partnership, and Indenture.

### **Plater Corporation - purchase of Acadia Plantation property, Acadia Plantation partnership, & indenture, 1973-1974**

Folder contains letters and legal documents regarding the Plater Corporation purchasing the Acadia Plantation property and the Acadia Plantation partnership. Indentures were also purchased by the Plater Corporation.

### **Property Taxes, 1923-1979**

Files of tax bills and receipts gathered into yearly packets.

### **Real Estate/Real Estate Dealings, 1968-1979**

These papers are the records of the Plater family's (especially Richard C. Plater, Jr. and David Plater) involvement in various real estate projects. Such projects consist of plans for developing the Acadia Plantation land into subdivisions (Country Club Plantation, Acadia Subdivision) and business complexes (Audubon Unit Business Complex). There are also agreements and leases with Nicklos Oil and Gas Company, D & C Operating, Inc., and Wainoco Oil Corporation. Also included are hunting lease agreements between various hunters and Acadia Plantation, as well as Fairway Drive Tract information.

Three real estate folders deal with the topic of wetlands mitigation. Parts of Acadia Plantation are on wetlands, and the Platers had to apply for permits and improve the wetlands in order to develop them. The topic includes correspondence with the Army Corps of Engineers, Costal Environments, Inc., and legal representation.

### **Servitudes, 1962-1979**

A servitude is a right to access that allows a local authority access to a property for inspection or installation of water lines, gas lines, sewerage lines, electricity cables and so on.

Files include letters, memoranda, maps, right of way permits, and other legal documents regarding various servitude agreements between Acadia Plantation and lessees. David D. Plater is usually the sender or the addressee of the correspondence.

Specific servitudes include agreements with Shell Pipeline, Transcontinental GAS Pipeline, Bayou Lafourche Fresh Water District, Lafourche Communications, Inc., and South Central Bell, City of Thibodaux and Louisiana Power and Light.

Servitude files labeled with the title "Servitudes, Right of Way, Roads, Louisiana Couplet Proposal" deal with a proposed master plan for highway development in Thibodaux. These three files document the public reaction to the proposed highway couplet, including David Plater's vehement opposition to the proposition. Files include transcriptions of public meetings held to discuss the proposition and letters written to the Parish Council both supporting and resisting the couplet's construction.

**Sugar Act Correspondence, 1968-1969**

Letters between Richard C. Plater, Jr. and various politicians, including Russell Long, Henry Kissinger, Allen J. Ellender, and Harry Byrd. The Sugar Act of 1948 and the 1965 amendment set quotas on sugar production in order to maintain the vigor of domestic sugar producers. Richard C. Plater, Jr. felt that the distribution of quota deficits set by the Sugar Act and its amendment should be adjusted in favor of the domestic industry, centered in Louisiana and Florida.

**Sugar Cane - Newspaper Clippings, 1969-1979**

Newspaper clippings (from *Times-Picayune*, *Wall Street Journal*, and the *New York Times*), magazine clippings, leaflets, and letters about sugar cane. Most articles concern the Louisiana sugar industry and discuss the Sugar Act of 1948, its 1965 amendments (which did not expire until 1971), and how it affected cane growers. Articles discuss price run-ups of sugar and acreage cuts in Louisiana. Also contains material related to tenants working on sugar plantations.

**Sugar Cane - Technical Information, 1950-1979**

Technical information and recommendations about annual sugar cane production. Two folders contain newspaper clippings, letters, and other documents related to technical information about sugar cane. Subjects include: estimated cost of producing sugarcane; recommendations for control of Johnson-grass and other weeds in Louisiana sugarcane; variety tests, insect pests, and annual fertilizer and soil practices for sugar cane production

Includes letters from the American Sugar Cane League to members about current sugar cane information.

**Tax Bill and Receipts, 1886-1894**

State and Parish tax bills and receipts on Acadia Plantation, owner Andrew Price.

**Tenants, General Information, 1943-1979**

These files are the records of the tenant farmers on Acadia Plantation land. They contain the names of the tenants, maps and plats of tenant-cultivated lands, records of crop production on each parcel, and leases between tenants and the Plater family. The files also contain personal information about the tenants (correspondence, newspaper clippings, invitations, etc.). The correspondence between tenants and Richard C. Plater illustrates a tenant-plantation owner relationship of the mid-20<sup>th</sup> century. Evidence of racial tension is present.

**Thibodaux Medical Plaza Claim, 1973-1979**

Thibodaux Medical Plaza was purchased from the Plater family when Richard C. Plater, Jr. was manager of Acadia Plantation. Negotiations were made regarding "restrictions, design, quality of construction, as well as maintenance in regards to the use of the Plaza property," but disputes arose between the two. The file contains letters, memorandum, and legal documents concerning the legal claims made by the Medical Plaza.

Manuscript volume included in this series is: **Vol. 30 “Soil Survey, Terrebonne Parish”, 1956 edition.**

**Note:** Faxed copies of cash sales, covenants, servitudes etc. found on thermal fax paper in the Topical Files Series have not been transcribed because they can be found in the Legal Abstracts Series.

Also see list of oversized material from this series in **Appendix D**.

### **Series V. Maps, Plats, and Photographs, 1897-1979 (38 oversize folders; 8 rolls)**

The maps, plats, and photographs of Acadia Plantation are arranged in original order. This was done in order to maintain the provenance within this series. However, anything relocated within the series was done so for matters of clarity and does not detract from the integrity of the files.

**Appendix E** and **Appendix G** list each map, plat, and photograph by title and date along with their corresponding folder or roll number. Some maps would not fit into oversize folders and therefore had to be rolled.

There are approximately 500 maps, plats, and photographs contained in this series. Included are aerial maps, photographs, and plats of areas around Lafourche Parish relating to Acadia Plantation, including St. Brigitte and Evergreen Plantations. The majority of aerial photographs and maps were used for census, geological surveys, and boundary surveying purposes. There are a great deal of aerial blue-line maps taken of Acadia Plantation over the course of several years for land planning purposes, such as determining rights-of-way. Also within this series are maps depicting layout plans for subdivisions such as Belle Meade, Acadia Woods, and Bowie Park. Some maps were used for land planning purposes that depict sewer, drainage, water-line, and gas-line layouts. Examples of this are the maps relating to Audubon Properties. There are also maps relating to the Hospital Service District No. 3, the Medical Plaza, and geological surveys. Of note is a linen map exhibiting part of the boundary line between the parishes of Terrebonne and Lafourche dated 1897.

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