

# Charles B. Elliott Papers

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# Collection Summary

Title: Charles B. Elliott Papers

Span Dates: 1910-1912

ID No.: MSS19687

Creator: Elliott, Charles B. (Charles Burke), 1861-1935

Extent: 20 items; 4 containers; 1.6 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English with some material in Spanish and Filipino

Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Abstract: Jurist, lawyer, author, associate justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippines, and secretary of police and commerce of the Philippine Commission. Typewritten diaries, a letterbook, newspaper clippings, and translations from Spanish and Filipino of newspaper articles from the Philippines relating to Elliott's service in the Philippines during the presidency of William H. Taft.

## 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.

### People

Elliott, Charles B. (Charles Burke), 1861-1935.

### Organizations

Philippines. Supreme Court.

United States. Philippine Commission (1900-1916)

### Subjects

Courts--Philippines.

Police administration--Philippines.

### Places

China--Description and travel.

Philippines--Commerce.

Philippines--Description and travel.

Philippines--History--1898-1946.

Philippines--Newspapers.

Philippines--Politics and government--1898-1935.

Philippines--Social conditions--20th century.

### Occupations

Public officials--Philippines.

## Administrative Information

### Provenance

The papers of Charles B. Elliott, jurist, lawyer, author, associate justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippines, and secretary of police and commerce of the Philippine Commission, were given to the Library of Congress by his son, Charles Winslow Elliott, in 1937.

### Processing History

The collection was processed in 1977. The finding aid was revised in 2009.

## Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Charles B. Elliott is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

## Access and Restrictions

The papers of Charles B. Elliott are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

## Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Charles B. Elliott Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

## Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1861, Jan. 6	Born, Morgan County, Ohio
1881	Graduated with law degree, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
1884	Move to Minneapolis, Minn. Married Edith Winslow (died 1934)
1887	Ph.D., University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.
1890	Appointed to the municipal bench, Minneapolis, Minn.
1890-1899	Professor of corporation and international law, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.
1894	Appointed to the district bench in Minnesota
1898	Adjutant general of Minnesota
1905	Appointed to the Minnesota state supreme court
1909	Appointed associate justice of the supreme court of the Philippines by President William H. Taft
1911	President, Philippine Industrial Exposition
1911-1912	Secretary of commerce and police, Philippine Commission
1935, Sept. 18	Died, Minneapolis, Minn.

## Scope and Content Note

The papers of Charles Burke Elliott (1861-1935) span the years 1910-1912 and consist of typewritten diaries, a letterbook, newspaper clippings, and translations from Spanish and Filipino of newspaper articles from the Philippines. The collection focuses exclusively on Elliott's service

in the Philippines as associate justice of the supreme court of the Philippines, 1910-1911, and from 1911 to 1912 as secretary of commerce and police of the second Philippine Commission. The diaries are detailed and extensive, covering social, political, and governmental affairs as well as Elliott's travels throughout the country and to China. Included are a few memoranda, reports, and copies of letters sent and received relating to conditions in the Philippines and governance of the country, including a memorandum from W. Cameron Forbes on transferring the authority of the office of secretary of commerce and police from him to Elliott.

## Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged by type of material.

# Container List

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
BOX 1	Diaries
BOX 1	1910-1912 (4 folders)
BOX 2	"Intimate Letters to Posterity," bound vol. including photographs, 1911, July 17-1912, Nov. 12
BOX 2	Letterbook of correspondence, memoranda, and reports, 1910-1912
BOX 3	Newspaper clippings, Manila, Philippines, 1910 (2 folders)
BOX 3	Translations from Spanish and Filipino of newspaper articles, Manila, Philippines, 1910-1912 (1 vol.)
BOX 4	(2 vols.)