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Guide to the

**Jacob Read correspondence**

1778-1812

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## Summary

**Creator:** Read, Jacob, 1752-1816

**Title:** Jacob Read correspondence

**Date:** 1778-1812

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**Source:** Gift of John S. Kennedy, 1896, and John Pierpont Morgan, 1899, with an additional purchase, 1937.

**Abstract:** Jacob Read (1752-1816) was an American lawyer and politician from Charleston, South Carolina, who represented that state in both the Continental Congress and the United States Senate. Correspondence concerns legal, legislative, and other official business; and local matters in Charleston. Correspondents include Patrick and Joseph Calhoun, as well as other prominent South Carolina lawyers and politicians. Family news is discussed in letters with his brother, William Read.

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## Custodial History

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## Scope and Content Note

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## **Key Terms**

### **Occupations**

Lawyers -- South Carolina

Statesmen -- South Carolina

### **Geographic Names**

South Carolina -- Politics and government -- 1775-1865

### **Subjects**

Statesmen -- United States -- Correspondence

### **Names**

Calhoun, Joseph, 1750-1817

Calhoun, Patrick, 1727-1796

Read, William, 1754-1845