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Guide to the

**George Walton letter and documents**

1783-1796

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## Summary

**Creator:** Walton, George, 1749 or 1750-1804

**Title:** George Walton letter and documents

**Date:** 1783-1796

**Size:** .1 linear feet (1 folder)

**Source:** Received as part of the Emmet, Ford and Sabin collections, and by purchase, 1897

**Abstract:** George Walton, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, was an American soldier, lawyer, and judge. He served briefly as a U. S. senator for Georgia in Congress, was Chief Justice of Georgia and also a justice of the Superior Court, and was twice governor of the state. A letter written to Augusta lawyer Seaborn Jones (1759-1815) while a senator at Philadelphia, 16-17 February 1796, discusses matters pending in Congress, including proposed legislation, relations with Native Americans, and foreign treaties. Also present are several legal documents, 1783-1791, signed by Walton as Chief Justice or Superior Court justice, and two clipped signatures.

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**Related Materials:**

Forms part of [Emmet collection](#)

## Key Terms

### Subjects

Governors -- Georgia

Judges -- Georgia

**Occupations**

Judges  
Lawyers  
Politicians  
Soldiers  
Statesmen

**Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Legal documents

**Geographic Names**

United States -- Politics and government -- 1783-1809

**Names**

Jones, Seaborn, 1759-1815 -- recipient  
Walton, George, 1749 or 1750-1804  
United States -- Declaration of Independence -- Signers