

Current Records Repository

1300 Naylor Court NW (near the convention center – between 9th and 10th Streets NW and N and O Streets NW)

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- 1880's building
- District owned building
- 25,000 sq. feet
- 52,000 c.f. of records
- Located in historic Naylor Court/Blagden Alley District
- Building (HVAC/Leaking roof) total repair
- Building does meet humidity and temperature control for the storage of records

Collection

- 350,000 c.f. of records
- Records date back to 1790
- Land records include manumission and freedom papers
- Wills of George Washington, Frederick Douglass, John Quincy Adams, James Madison, Woodward Wilson and other notables
- Rich collection of genealogical records of birth, death, and marriage certificates; wills and probate records
- Architectural records of historic buildings in the District
- Building permits of houses
- Records of communities and neighborhoods; individuals, organizations, and institutions
- Photographs, microfilms, microfiche, 16mm files, and other electronic records

Artifacts

- Slave Journals
- Electric Chair (1927-1957)
- Slave ankle ball and chain
- Portraits of Frederick Douglass, Blanch K. Bruce and other notables
- Statue of Lincoln
- Paintings

Patrons

- Service over 450 walk-in-per month
- 200 online requests per month
- 100 research requests per month
- Patrons include genealogists, historians, scholars, students, home owners, lawyers, government officials, business owners, and others
- Service patrons from all over the country as well as international patrons