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**Identity Statement:**

Title: Elisha Warford Papers  
 Extent of the unit of description: 2 Containers; .75 linear feet

**Scope & Content / Abstract:**

Scope and Content: This collection is divided into two series. The first series is a collection of legal papers that document the financial and land transactions of Elisha Warford from 1803 to 1863. Included amongst these papers are receipts, promissory notes, summons, assignments, subpoenas, deeds, agreements, executions, accounts, and other documents that reflect Warford's vast business dealings.

The second series is a set of four diaries composed by Benjamin H. Ellicott in 1862 and 1863. Ellicott started these highly detailed diaries when he and his wife fled the riots of Baltimore in April of 1862. They came to live in Hunterdon County with Elisha Warford, Mary Ellicott's father. Mr. Ellicott continued these diaries until his untimely death in 1863.

Abstract: This collection contains legal and business papers of Elisha Warford from 1803 until 1863. It also contains the diaries of Benjamin H. Ellicott from 1862-1863. The collection would be of great interest to anyone researching business and land dealings of the Warford family and Western Hunterdon County (Kingwood, Delaware, Alexandria) between 1803 and 1863. The collection also provides a very detailed personal glimpse of Ellicott's views on both local and state news and the events of the Civil War.

**Context:**

Dates of accumulation: 1803-1863

Name of Creator: Warford, Elisha and Ellicott, Benjamin H.

Administrative / Biographical history: Biographical History: Elisha Warford (1785-1872) was a well known citizen of Delaware Township, NJ. He was a very wealthy man whose fame chiefly rests on his business dealings and land speculation. He was known to hold large amounts of real estate in Western Hunterdon County, which generated income from rent and use agreements. He owned so much real estate that it has been said that he could walk from Croton, Hunterdon County, to Locktown, on the Delaware River, and never leave his own land. Warford also had a reputation as a fair but stern businessman; plain in his dealings with those who dealt fairly with him, but very quick to seek judgment against those who fell into arrears with him.

Benjamin H. Ellicott (1809-1863) was a businessman from the large Ellicott mercantile family of Ellicott's Mills, Maryland. He was the grandson of Andrew Ellicott, who surveyed the land for the national capital (Washington DC) and the surrounding area, and the great grandson of Andrew Ellicott senior, who along with his brothers, purchased large tracts of lands in Maryland that eventually became the industrial center of Ellicott Mills. Ellicott married Mary Warford, daughter of Elisha Warford, in 1838 and eventually went to live with the Warford family in Hunterdon County during the upheavals of the Civil War.

**Structure:**

System of Arrangement: Series 1: Chronological; no original order present.

Series 2: Chronological; diaries are dated as principle separator.

**Disposition:****Disposition date:****Conditions of Access & Use:**

Access conditions: During Open Research Hours of the Hunterdon County Historical Society:

Every Thursday, 12 Noon to 4PM;

The second and fourth Saturday of each month, 10AM to 4PM;

and by appointment.

**Allied Materials:**

Location of originals: Vault 1

Existence of copies: None

**Collection** HCHS Manuscript Collections

**Event**

**Medium**

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**Container List**

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<b>Container Description</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Creator</b>	<b>Date Subjects</b>	<b>Title</b>
Box 1 <i>Christopher Dilts to Moses Thatcher</i>	01	Vault 1		1/15/1803	Mortgage, Kingwood Twp.
Box 1 <i>To Elisha Warford, NJ Supreme Court (Flemington Circuit) in the matter of Stewart, Levi v. Fox, Jacob, et. al.</i>	02	Vault 1		2/18/1818	Subpoena
Box 1 <i>George Werts to Jeremiah King</i>	03	Vault 1		4/21/1818	Mortgage, Amwell Twp.
Box 1 <i>Inventory of Goods in lieu of payment for indebtedness; Taylor, John to Elisha Warford.</i>	04	Vault 1		5/20/1818	Inventory
Box 1 <i>Moses Burd and Elisha Warford to John Chambers</i>	05	Vault 1		8/6/1819	Promissory Note
Box 1 <i>George Werts to Elisha Warford</i>	06	Vault 1		3/1/1820	Mortgage, Kingwood and Amwell Townships
Box 1 <i>George Werts and wife to Elisha Warford</i>	07	Vault 1		4/29/1820	Mortgage, Kingwood Twp.
Box 1 <i>Joseph Smith to Elisha Warford</i>	08	Vault 1		5/5/1820	Promissory Note
Box 1 <i>Payable to Elisha Warford from Joseph Cain</i>	09	Vault 1		4/1/1822	Bond
Box 1 <i>Jacob Arnwine from Elisha Warford</i>	10	Vault 1		5/1823	Receipt
Box 1 <i>Elisha Warford from Jacob Arnwine</i>	11	Vault 1		4/7/1824	Receipt
Box 1 <i>Bonham, John and Bonham, Rebecca to Moore, David</i>	12	Vault 1		2/1/1834	Mortgage, Amwell Twp.
Box 1 <i>In Chancery, NJ: Hess, William M. et. ux.; Hess, Elizabeth; Swallow, Jacob, et. ux.; Swallow Mary; Beven, Elizaneth, et. al. v. Warford, Elisha.; Robbins, Ames; Waterhouse, Charles; Waterhouse, Israel P, et. al.</i>	13	Vault 1			Depositions

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Box 1 <i>Original consent order of indebtedness; Warford, Elisha, et. ux v. Carroll, John A.</i>	14	Vault 1		9/1837	Consent Order
Box 1 <i>Assignment of Power of Attorney from John Cumton to Elisha Warford</i>	15	Vault 1		1839	Power of Attorney
Box 1 <i>Judgment, Promissory note Elisha Warford v. John Stryker</i>	16	Vault 1		5/6/1841	Judgement; Promissory Note
Box 1 <i>Elisha Warford v. McCann, Daniel</i>	17	Vault 1		8/6/1841	Indebtedness
Box 1 <i>Promissory Note, John McAlana to Elisha Warford, witness, John Robinson; Inventory of goods in lieu of cash for payment, John McAlanan to Elisha Warford; Execution in debt, Elisha Warford from John McAlana</i>	18	Vault 1		1842	Promissory Note; Inventory; Execution
Box 1 <i>Receipt for Tax, Bethlehem Township. David Chamberlin, Collector, from Elisha Warford</i>	19	Vault 1		12/17/1842	Tax Receipt
Box 1 <i>Receipts for various sums, from Elisha Warford</i>	20	Vault 1			Receipts
Box 1 <i>Goods of Andrew Emory sold at auction for debt to Elisha Warford</i>	21	Vault 1		3/1/1845	Public Auction Notice
Box 1 <i>Pearson Roberson and Thomas Roberson from Elisha Warford</i>	22	Vault 1		May, 1845	Receipt on Payment
Box 1 <i>Asher A. Trimmer, assignment of a judgement against William Williamson, to Henry House</i>	23	Vault 1		10/5/1846	Assignment of Judgement
Box 1 <i>Account, Henry R. Werts due on receipt to Elisha Warford</i>	24	Vault 1		April, 1847	Account
Box 1 <i>Account of James Larue to Elisha Warford; Credit Statement, James Larue from Elisha Warford</i>	25	Vault 1			Account; Credit Statement
Box 1 <i>Receipts of cash for sale of goods to settle debt, William Williamson to Elisha Warford</i>	26	Vault 1		1/31/1851	Receipts of Cash
Box 1 <i>Lease, Kingwood Township. Samuel Opdyke from Elisha Warford.</i>	27	Vault 1		5/1/1851	Article of Agreement
Box 1 <i>Agreement, Land Use. Warford, Elisha and Trimmer, John L.</i>	28	Vault 1		5/12/1851	Agreement

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Box 1 <i>Receipt on Account from Benjamin H. Ellicott to Elisha Warford</i>	29	Vault 1		3/17/1852	Receipt on Account
Box 1 <i>Warford, Elisha to Allen, George A.</i>	30	Vault 1			Promissory Notes
Box 1 <i>Richard Williamson, leases and agreements with Elisha Warford</i>	31	Vault 1			Leases and Agreements
Box 1 <i>Article of Agreement, Elisha Warford and John Clauson</i>	32	Vault 1		12/23/1854	Articles of Agreement; Rent
Box 1 <i>Article of Agreement and lease, Kingwood Township, Richard Williamson from Elisha Warford.</i>	33	Vault 1		1/1/1855	Article of Agreement; Lease
Box 1 <i>Account, Asher A. Trimmer due on receipt to Elisha Warford</i>	34	Vault 1		April, 1855	Account
Box 1 <i>Inventory of Margaret Buchanon, dec'd.</i>	35	Vault 1		9/28/1855	Inventory
Box 1 <i>Fisher, Henry and Elisha Warford</i>	36	Vault 1		10/19/1855	Agreement
Box 1 <i>Auction, goods of Margaret Buchanon. Elisha Warford, credit and receipt of goods.</i>	37	Vault 1		11/17/1855	Auction
Box 1 <i>Article of agreement, rental, Delaware Township, Richard Williamson from Elisha Warford</i>	38	Vault 1		3/15/1856	Article of Agreement; Rent
Box 1 <i>Tax payment, Elisha Warford to Hunterdon County</i>	39	Vault 1		12/8/1857	Tax Payment
Box 1 <i>George MackDaniel to Elisha Warford (actually George McDonough)</i>	40	Vault 1		1/20/1858	Lease
Box 1 <i>Elisha Warford receives goods and balance of debt from Richard Williamson</i>	41	Vault 1		9/20/1858	Receipts
Box 1 <i>Warford, Elisha and Fisher, Henry</i>	42	Vault 1		5/15/1859	Agreement
Box 1 <i>Warford, Elisha to Fischer, Henry M.</i>	43	Vault 1		8/27/1859	Promissory Note

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Box 1 <i>Inventory of goods in lieu of payment for indebtedness, Aaron Hulgrend[?] and wife to Elisha Warford</i>	44	Vault 1		11/17/1859	Inventory
Box 1 <i>Elisha Warford from George Risler</i>	45	Vault 1		2/4/1860	Bill of Goods
Box 2 <i>E.R. Bullock from Elisha Warford</i>	46	Vault 1		4/5/1861	Receipt
Box 2 <i>Hunterdon County Bank v. Moses Lake and Elisha Warford</i>	47	Vault 1		4/10/1861	Circuit Court Summons
Box 2 <i>Assignment of debt and interest, Warford, Elisha from plaintiffs Williams and Saxton</i>	48	Vault 1		7/18/1861	Assignment of Debt
Box 2 <i>Warford, Elisha to Chamberlin, A.B.</i>	49	Vault 1		9/11/1861	Promissory Note
Box 2 <i>Receipt of cash for goods sold to settle debt, Stephen McClary to Elisha Warford</i>	50	Vault 1		5/26/1862	Receipt of Cash
Box 2 <i>Quit claim deed, Slope, Sarah Jane to Warford, Elisha</i>	51	Vault 1		1/19/1863	Quit Claim
Box 2 <i>Assignment of rights and interest in a horse book, Nixon, William to Warford, Elisha</i>	52	Vault 1		1/23/1863	Assignment of Rights and Interest
Box 2 <i>Receipt, Elisha Warford from John Stephens</i>	53	Vault 1		1/27/1863	Receipt
Box 2 <i>Miscellaneous Documents</i>	54	Vault 1		n.d.	Miscellaneous
Box 2	55	Vault 1		1862	Benjamin H. Ellicott Diary No. 1
Box 2	56	Vault 1			Benjamin H. Ellicott Diary No. 2
Box 2	57	Vault 1		1863	Benjamin H. Ellicott Diary No. 3
Box 2	58	Vault 1		1863	Benjamin H. Ellicott Diary No. 4

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Box 2	59	Vault 1		1/17/1835	Constitution

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