

Guide to the Stoothoff family collection ARC.150

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Summary Information

Repository	Brooklyn Historical Society
Creator	Stoothoff family
Creator	Stoothoff, Elbert Elbertse, 1620-1688
Creator	Stoothoff, Wilhelmus, 1709-1783
Title	Stoothoff family collection
Date [inclusive]	1642-1796
Extent	0.75 Linear feet in two manuscript boxes
Language	English
Language of Materials	Materials in English and Dutch. The index contains typed translations for those materials in Dutch.
Abstract	<p>This collection contains 138 manuscript documents and other papers dating from the 1600s and 1700s, relating to the Stoothoff family of Flatlands, Long Island, which is now part of Brooklyn, New York. Documents include deeds, bonds, wills, correspondence, accounts, and receipts. Many of the documents are in Dutch. An index of all documents and translations of all Dutch documents accompanies this collection.</p>

Biographical/Historical note

Captain Elbert Elbertse Stoothoff, or “Justice of the Peace” (who signed his name “Elbert Elbertsen”), is the common ancestor of the Stoothoff family in the Flatlands area of Brooklyn, New York. He was born in 1620, and emigrated from Nieuwerkerken, in 1637, but was bound to serve Kilian Van Renseselaer for six years in his colony. Afterward, he settled in Flatlands, and was one of the nine men appointed by the Freeholders of the community from 1648 to 1650 to represent “Manhattans, Breukelen, Amersfoort, and Pavonia.” His duties included the promotion of welfare of the country, and to assist in decision-making regarding matters submitted by the director of the council. Elbertsen served as a magistrate of the Flatlands from 1654 to 1673. Elbertsen married Aeltje Cornelis Cool in 1645, and was married a second time, after her death, in 1683 to Sara Roelofs. Gerrit Stoothoff was the only child of Elbert and Aeltje, and he married into the Nevius (sometimes spelled Neveyus) family in 1684. Peter and Wilhelmus Stoothoff, two of his six children, are among the primary correspondents in this collection.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains manuscript documents and papers pertaining to the Stoothoff family of Flatlands, Long Island (now part of Brooklyn, New York) from 1642 to 1796. Document types include deeds, bonds, correspondence, receipts, accounts and account books, and wills. Among the many items in this collection are detailed accounts of debits and credits of various everyday items for citizens of New Amersfoort (the Dutch name for Flatlands) in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, as well as Elbert Elbertsen Stoothoff's own personal accounts, his will, and various letters to him regarding the sale of land and business transactions. A detailed account book of the sale (or vendue) of the estate of Wilhelmus Stoothoff is located in this collection, documenting the prices for various items in his home including artwork, fabrics, and furniture. This collection also contains letters and bills of sale regarding the sale of slaves in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries.

Arrangement note

Materials in this collection are arranged in the manner imposed by the donor. There are 116 folders (numbered 1-116), each folder containing between one and three documents. Placed before these

116 folders is an index to the documents and translations to those in Dutch; the numbers in the index correspond to the numbers on the folders.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Brooklyn Historical Society December 2010

Conditions Governing Access

Open to researchers without restriction.

Conditions Governing Use note

Material in this collection is in the public domain.

Immediate Source of Acquisition note

The Stoothoff family collection was purchased from the Bergen family in 1920 by the Colonial Daughters of the Seventeenth Century of Brooklyn, who later donated the collection to the Long Island Historical Society (now the Brooklyn Historical Society) in 1922.

The index that accompanies this collection was most likely compiled by Josephine Frost; the translations were done by Frank L. Van Cleef.

Processing Information note

The Stoothoff family papers were processed by Robyn Hjermstad in December 2010.

The collection combines two accessions: 1974.055 and 1974.056.

Controlled Access Headings

Family Name(s)

- Conover family

- Couwenhoven family
- Gerritse family
- Stoothoff family

Genre(s)

- Affidavits
- Certificates
- Correspondence
- Deeds
- Indentures
- Wills

Geographic Name(s)

- Flatlands (New York, N.Y.)
- Gravesend (New York, N.Y.)
- New Netherland

Personal Name(s)

- Hubbard, Elias, fl. 1682
- Neveyus, Johannes
- Nevius, Cornelius
- Stoothoff, Cornelius
- Stoothoff, Elbert Elbertse, 1620-1688
- Stoothoff, Gerrit, ca. 1665-1734
- Stoothoff, Peter
- Stoothoff, Wilhelmus, 1709-1783

Subject(s)

- Account books |z New York (State) |z Kings County
- Bonds |z New York (State) |z Kings County
- Genealogy
- Prenuptial agreements

Collection Inventory

	Dates	Box	Folder
Index and Translations by Frank L. Van Cleef	undated	1	
1. Receipt, Roelofsz to E. Elbertsen's executor	1695	1	1
1. Receipt, J. Gerritsen Van Couwenhoven to E. Elbertsen	1687	1	1
2. Antenuptial Agreement, E. Elbertsen and S. Roelofs,	1683	1	2
3. Receipted bill, Loockermans to E. Elbertsen	1665	1	3
4. Account, E. Elbertsen to Gerritsen's heirs	1663-1664	1	4
5. Contract to sell, Cornelissen to E. Elbertsen	1684	1	5

6. Quit-claim, Willett and Van Dyckhuys to Stoothoff	1695	1	6
7. Deed, W.G. Van Couwenhoven to E. Elbertsen	1660	1	7
8. Agreement, W.G. Van Couwenhoven to E. Elbertsen	1646	1	8
General note			
One document contains agreement and four receipts for legacy.			
8. Receipts for legacy, Martensen, et. al. to E. Elbertsen	1660-1670	1	8
9. Account book, E. Elbertsen	1676-1678	1	9
10. Deed, W.G. Van Couwenhoven to E. Elbertsen	1659	1	10
11. Deed, M. Van Couwenhoven to E. Elbertsen	1671	1	11

12. Bond, Schenck and Terhunen to E. Elbertsen's heirs	1695-1696	1	12
13. Deed, Luyster to E. Elbertsen	1687	1	13
14. Deed, E. Elbertsen to G. Elbertsen	1687	1	14
15. Deed, W. Gerritsen's executors to E. Elbertsen	1666	1	15
16. Conditions of Sale, H. Hoogland sale of property	1772	1	16
17. Sale of "negro," E. Hubbard to W. and P. Stoothoff	1782	1	17
18. Articles of agreement, P. Couwenhoven and E. Elbertsen	1667	1	18
19. Dates of marriage and birth dates of children, J. Stoothoff and C. Bogert	1738-1780	1	19

20. Affidavit, E. Elbertsen	1642	1	20
21. Report of executors for sale, H. Hooglandt	1772	1	21
22. Bond, Terhune and Schenck	1735	1	22
23. Deed, Stevensen to G.E. Stoothoff	1702	1	23
24. Commission as Justice of Peace, Governor Andros to E. Elbertsen	1675	1	24
25. Inventory of personal estate, W. Stoothoff	1783	1	25
26. Contract to sell, Innes to Lane	1709	1	26
27. Deed, G. Stoothoff to H. Roelofsen	1709	1	27

28. Articles of agreement, R. Schermerhorne, et. al. and heirs of E. Elbertsen	1705	1	28
29. Receipts of legacy, W. Gerretsem and I. Hegeman to E. Elbertsen's executors	1695	1	29
30. Petition, Town of Gravesend vs. E. Elbertsen	1681	1	30
31. Will, E. Elbertsen	circa 1700	1	31
32. Will, G. Stoothoff	1728	2	32
33. Will. G. Stoothoff	1722	2	33
34. Will, W. Stoothoff	1781	2	34
35. Extract of will, E. Elbertsen	circa 1750	2	35

36. Will, E. Elbertsen	1760	2	36
37. List of articles, G. Stoothoff	circa 1700	2	37
38. Account, De Kay to E. Elbertsen	1688	2	38
39. Correspondence, G. Loockermans to E. Elbertsen	1665	2	39
40. Correspondence, Ruyven to E. Elbertsen	1665	2	40
41. Quit-claim, Schenck to J. Nevius, et. al.	1741	2	41
42. Deed, P. Van der Beeck, et. al.	1699-1700	2	42
43. Correspondence, D. Nevius to W. Stoothoff	1751	2	43
44. Correspondence, C. Hoogland to W. Stoothoff	1772	2	44

45. Correspondence, C. Stoothoff to W. Stoothoff	circa 1700	2	45
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46. Bond, W. Stoothoff to J.W. Wyckoff	1753	2	46
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47. Bond, W. Stoothoff to H. Lott	1742	2	47
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48. Bond, A. and W. Stoothoff to W. Stoothoff	1764	2	48
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49. Bond, W. Stoothoff to Flatlands Dutch Church	1736	2	49
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50. Bond, W. Stoothoff to J. Lott	1744	2	50
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51. Bond, W. Stoothoff to C. Stoothoff	1764	2	51
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52. Bond, W. Stoothoff to A. Coerten	1745	2	52
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53. Bond, W. Stoothoff to C. Nevius	1749	2	53
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54. Bond, W. Stoothoff to S. Boerum	1756	2	54
55. Bond, W. Stoothoff to J. Rapelyie	1755	2	55
56. Bond, W. Stoothoff to G. Stoothoff	1764	2	56
57. Bond, W. Stoothoff to G. Stoothoff	1764	2	57
58. Bond, W. Stoothoff to J. Amerman	1744	2	58
59. Bill of sale of "negro," W. Stoothoff to B. Lefferts	1763	2	59
60. Bond, W. Stoothoff to A. Voorhees	1743	2	60
61. Bond, W. Stoothoff to J. Neveyus	1750	2	61
62. Bond, W. Stoothoff to Flatlands Dutch Church	1746	2	62

63. Bond, W. Stoothoff to J. Vanderbilt	1764	2	63
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64. Bond, W. Stoothoff to C. Stoothoff	1749	2	64
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65. Bond, W. Stoothoff to J.W. Wyckoff	1752	2	65
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66. Bond, W. Stoothoff to C. Stoothoff	1741	2	66
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67. Bond, W. Stoothoff to J. Neveyus	1750	2	67
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68. Bond, W. Stoothoff to J. Neveyus	1750	2	68
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69. Bond, W. Stoothoff to W. Stoothoff, Jr.	1753	2	69
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70. Bond, W. Stoothoff to C. Nevius	1749	2	70
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71. Deed, W. Stoothoff to C. Nevius	1741	2	71
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72. Bond, W. Stoothoff to T. Elsworth	1730	2	72
73. Bond, J.W. Stoothoff to M. Stoothoff	1792	2	73
74. Bond, W. Stoothoff to J. Neveyus	1750	2	74
75. Bond, W. Stoothoff to E. and C. Stoothoff	1739	2	75
76. Correspondence, A. Kirkpatrick to J. Stoothoff	1794	2	76
77. Correspondence, A. Kirkpatrick to J. and W. Stoothoff	1796	2	77
78. Correspondence, D. Nevius to W. Stoothoff	1749	2	78
79. Correspondence, D. Nevius to W. Stoothoff	1749	2	79
80. Correspondence, J. Murray to H. Stoothoff	1761	2	80

80. Correspondence, H. Lott to W. Stoothoff	1742	2	80
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81. Correspondence, C. Stoothoff to W. Stoothoff	1757	2	81
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82. Affidavit, C. Stoothoff	1764	2	82
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82. Receipt, C. Stoothoff to J. Cortelyou	1731	2	82
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83. Correspondence, C. Stoothoff to W. Stoothoff	1756	2	83
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84. Correspondence, C. Stoothoff to W. Stoothoff	1762	2	84
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85. Correspondence, W. Smith, Jr. to W. Stoothoff	1765	2	85
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85. Note, P. Amerman	circa 1750	2	85
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86. Correspondence, W. Oake to W. Stoothoff	circa 1780	2	86
87. Correspondence, W. Smith, Jr. to W. Stoothoff (2 letters)	1765, 1773	2	87
88. Correspondence, A. Kirkpatrick to J. Stoothoff	1794	2	88
89. Correspondence, C. Stoothoff to W. Stoothoff	1760	2	89
90. Correspondence, M. Wurts to W. Stoothoff	1782	2	90
90. Bill, P.J. Marius to E. Elbertsen	1687	2	90
91. Birthdays of children, J. Stoothoff and C. Bogert	circa 1750	2	91
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93. Receipt of legacy, P. and I. Nevius to E. Elbertsen's executors	1695	2	93
93. Receipt of legacy, J. Albertse to E. Elbertsen's executors	1695	2	93
94. Correspondence, E. Stoothoff to G. Stoothoff	1726	2	94
94. Receipt, J. Kip to Town of Amersfoort	1661	2	94
95. Bill, W. Stoothoff	1731-1732	2	95
95. Bill, W. Stoothoff	1735	2	95
96. Correspondence, J. Hubbard to Captain Elbertsen	1682	2	96
96. Receipt, J.G. Van Couwenhoven to E. Elbertsen	1683	2	96

97. Bill, unidentified	circa 1700	2	97
98. Agreement and receipt for legacies, G.W. Van Couwenhoven and E. Elbertsen	1646	2	98
99. Bill, F. Van Sycklen to G. and E. Elbertsen	circa 1700	2	99
100. Debt, W. Stoothoff's heirs	circa 1750	2	100
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101. Bill, W. Stoothoff to S. Williamsen	1764-1773	2	101
102. Account, unidentified	circa 1700	2	102
102. Account, P. Cortlandt to G. Stoothoff	circa 1750	2	102

102. Account, J. Turner to W. Stoothoff	1773	2	102
103. Affidavit, C. Van Elslandt	circa 1750	2	103
103. Receipt, D. Lott to W. Stoothoff	1780	2	103
104. Receipt, P. Rutgers to W. Stoothoff	1735	2	104
104. Receipt, H. Remsen to W. Stoothoff	1756	2	104
104. Receipt, J. Lott to P. Stoothoff	circa 1750	2	104
105. Receipt, W. Hanney to W. Stoothoff	1762	2	105
105. General Release, J. Van Bueren to W. Stoothoff	1735-1736	2	105
105. Receipt, C. Stoothoff to W. Stoothoff	1765	2	105

106. Receipt, T. Bergen to W. Stoothoff	1781	2	106
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106. Receipt, J. Van Nuys to P. Stoothoff	1788	2	106
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106. Receipt, S. Sprung to P. Stoothoff	1785	2	106
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107. Receipt, J. Lott to P. Stoothoff	1791	2	107
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107. Receipt, J. Lott to P. Stoothoff	1789	2	107
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107. Receipt, S. Sprung to P. Stoothoff	1787	2	107
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108. Receipt, P. Wyckoff to P. Stoothoff	1785	2	108
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115. Account Book, E. Elbertsen	1690-1714	2	115
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