# Worcester Historical Museum

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Archives 2013.28

Negotiable Order of Withdrawal Collection

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#### **Collection Information**

<u>Abstract</u>: This collections contains information regarding the arguments for and against and the establishment of the "NOW" account or Negotiable Order of Withdrawal.

Finding Aid: Finding Aid in print form is available in the Repository.

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#### **Historical/Biographical Notes**

The NOW is a"draft" against a deposit of money. Originally, a draft could not be paid until presented and accepted by the entity issuing the draft. The use of a non-money payment medium before banks were in existence was the giving of a "draft" promising to pay a sum of money when presented to the person (or entity) who delivered goods on credit or loaned money. Now became possible when the Massachusetts legislature changed the law for Savings Banks withdrawals by passbook presentation only to withdrawal by passbook or any other evidence of deposit. The controversy over the use of the NOW account in Massachusetts and New Hampshire became a political affair with hearings in Congress.

#### **Scope and Content**

This collections contains information regarding the arguments for and against and the establishment of the "NOW" account or Negotiable Order of Withdrawal

# Series Description

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Series 1: Formation

Series 2: By-laws

Series 3: Newspaper Clippings

# Negotiable Order of Withdrawal Collection 2013.28 Series 1, Formation

<u>Box #</u>	Folder #	Accession #	Description
1	1	2013.28.1.1	Papers and documents concerning the establishment of the NOW.

### Negotiable Order of Withdrawal Collection 2013.28 Series 2, By-Laws

<u>Box #</u>	Folder #	Accession #	Description
1	2	2013.28.2.1	Testimony by Ronald W. Haselton
1	3	2013.28.2.2.	By-laws, outlines, etc.
1	4	2013.28.2.3	Negotiable Withdrawal Order Manual.

## Negotiable Order of Withdrawal Collection 2013.28 Series 3, Newspapers

<u>Box #</u>	Folder #	Accession #	Description
1	5	2013.28.3.1	Various newspaper articles