

# Alabama Democratic Party

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University Libraries Division of Special Collections, The University of Alabama
<b>Creator:</b>	Democratic Party (Ala.)
<b>Title:</b>	Alabama Democratic Party, 1860 Delegation minutes
<b>ID:</b>	MSS.0057
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1860
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.02 Linear Feet (1 ledger, 16 leaves)
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	Minutes and roll of Alabama's delegation, who were "accredited to the Baltimore and Richmond Democratic convention" in Richmond, Virginia, in 1860.

### Preferred Citation

Alabama Democratic Party, 1860 Delegation Minutes, W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama.

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## Biographical / Historical

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The 1860 Democratic National Convention was one of the crucial events in the lead-up to the American Civil War. The official Democratic national convention adjourned in deadlock without choosing a candidate for President. A resumed official convention nominated Senator Stephen A. Douglas of Illinois for President and former Senator Herschel V. Johnson of Georgia for Vice President. A "rump" convention, primarily Southerners, nominated Vice President John C. Breckinridge for President and Senator Joseph Lane of Oregon for Vice President.

Source: Wikipedia contributors. "1860 Democratic National Convention." *Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia*. *Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia*, 5 Oct. 2012. Web. 9 Nov. 2012.

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## Scope and Contents

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The collection contains the minutes and roll of Alabama's delegation, who were "accredited to the Baltimore and Richmond Democratic convention" in Richmond, Virginia, in 1860. This was Alabama's delegation to the second Democratic convention, held after the "Bolters" disrupted the first meeting in Charleston, S.C. Most delegates were pledged to Breckinridge and Lane.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- Southern States -- Politics and government

- Alabama -- History -- 1819-1950
- Alabama -- Politics and government
- Records and correspondence
- Commercial correspondence
- Government, Law and Politics
- Alabama
- Democratic Party (Ala.)

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Instances
Alabama Democratic Party	box 1