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There are no restrictions.

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There are no restrictions.

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Related Material

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Historical Information

Buchanan County was named for the United States president James Buchanan and was formed from Tazewell and Russell Counties in 1858.

The 1902 voter registration books were created following the passage of the 1902 Virginia state constitution. The purpose of the 1902 state constitution was to maintain white suffrage while eliminating African-American voters by means of literacy tests as well as property and poll tax requirements.

Records were destroyed by fire in 1885; records created after that date suffered extreme damage in a flood in 1977.

Scope and Content

Buchanan County List of Voters Registered, 1902-1935, records the roll of registered voters in Buchanan County. The volume is divided by precincts: Contrary, Grundy, Hurricane, Knox, Rock Lick, Slate, Whitt Place, Vansant, Bull, Garden, Prater, Blankenship, Hurley, Paw Paw, Stacy, and Grassey. Information found in the volume includes date of registration; number of registered voter; name of registered voter; race; date of birth; age; occupation; residence; length of residence in state, county, and precinct; whether exempt from poll tax; if naturalized, and if so, date of papers and by what court issued; if transferred from another precinct, and if so, when and to what precinct.

Buchanan County General Registration Roll of White Voters, 1902-1903, records the roll of registered white voters in Buchanan County. The volume is divided by precincts: Contrary, Grundy, Hurricane, Knox, Rock Lick, Slate, Whitt Place, Vansant, Bull, Garden, Prater, Blankenship, Hurley, Paw Paw, Stacy, and Grassey. Information found in the volume includes date of registration; number of registered voter; name of registered voter; date of birth; age; occupation; residence; length of residence in state, county, and precinct; whether exempt from poll tax; if naturalized, and if so, date of papers and by what court issued; if transferred from another precinct, and if so, when and to what precinct.

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Barcode number 1123790: General Registration Roll of White Voters, 1902-1903

Scope and Content

This book records the names of registered White voters.

Barcode number 1123800: List of Voters Registered, 1902-1935

Scope and Content

This book records the names of registered voters.