

## **Morgan W.F. Dickerson, Jr. Papers**

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#### **Biographical Information**

Morgan William Fisher Dickerson was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1908, and grew up in Woodbury, New Jersey where he attended elementary and high school.

After graduation from Woodbury High School, he worked for a year to fund his college studies. He attended Temple University in Philadelphia for one year and transferred to Howard University for pre dental studies.

Dickerson graduated from Howard University Dental School in 1937. He received the Guggenheim Fellowship, and completed his internship at the Guggenheim University Dental Clinic in New York.

In September 1939, Dickerson married Ellen Weddington, and moved to Pueblo, Colorado where he practiced dentistry for two years, and then moved to Denver to share a practice with Dr. Clarence Holmes. Dr. Dickerson later established his own practice at 21<sup>st</sup> and Downing Streets in Denver.

In 1943 he was inducted into the United States Army as a Lieutenant, and served in the Dental Corps until the end of the War. After the war, he served in the United States Army Reserves, finally retiring with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Dr. Dickerson was a member of the Denver Dental Association, the Eureka Coin Club, the Prospector's Club, and the Howard University Alumni Association. He was also an active member of Shorter A.M.E. Church, where he served as organist and choir director.

### **Scope and Content**

The Morgan W.F. Dickerson, Jr. Papers (1908-1984) include photographs, publications, and the personal papers of Ellen W. Dickerson. Material includes subject matter from Dickerson's time in dental school, military records, and correspondence.

### **Series**

Series I: Personal Papers

- A. General
- B. Ellen W. Dickerson
- C. Photographs
- D. Publications

*Material from: 1908-1984*

*Box 1 (1 cubic feet)*

The Morgan W. F. Dickerson, Jr. Papers have been organized into four subseries: general personal papers, Ellen W. Dickerson personal papers, photographs, and publications. The first subseries, general personal papers, contains correspondence, military records, finance records, loan agreements, a will, and biographical material. The second subseries, Ellen W. Dickerson's personal papers, includes her autobiography, correspondence, employment records, college transcripts, and certificates. The third subseries, photographs, consists of various photographs taken during Dickerson's years in dental school and miscellaneous other photos. The fourth subseries, publications, includes only two publications, which are both personal in nature. All subseries are arranged alphabetically.

### **Container Listing**

Series I: Personal Papers

Box 1

Box 1	FF1	Biographical Information	Undated
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Box 1	FF2	Birth Certificate	1908
Box 1	FF3	Certificates: Military	1955-1957, 1967, 1979, and undated
Box 1	FF4	Correspondence: General	1976 and undated
Box 1	FF5	Dental Licenses	1939-1982
Box 1	FF6	Denver Coordinating Council Minutes (Ellen Dickerson - member)	9/18/58
Box 1	FF7	Finance Records, Howard University	Undated
Box 1	FF8	Loan Agreement, Woodbury Club	9/22/37
Box 1	FF9	Military Records	1943-1944
Box 1	FF10	Military Records	1946-1968
Box 1	FF11	Strangers Club Resolutions	02/1973
Box 1	FF12	My Welfare Work, Atlantic City, NJ (Morgan M.F. Dickerson, Sr.)	Undated
Box 1	FF13	Will	3/4/44
Box 1	FF14	Williamson, Helen M., Obituary, Remembrance Card, photograph	2/1973

## Series II: Ellen W. Dickerson

Box 1			
Box 1	FF15	Autobiography	Undated
Box 1	FF16	Certificates	1966, 1968, 1975, 1982, and 1983-1984
Box 1	FF17	Correspondence: General	1963
Box 1	FF18	Employment Records and College Transcripts	1965 and 1969
Box 1	FF19	Keepsake, Made for Ellen Dickerson	1942-1945
Box 1	FF20	Power of Attorney	1944

## Series III: Photographs

Box 1			
Box 1	FF21	Photographs	Undated
Box 1	FF22	The Dulcet Cantors	Undated
Box 1	FF23	Fitzsimmons Army Hospital Dental School	Undated
Box 1	FF24	Guggenheim University Dental School	1939 and undated
Box 1	FF25	Links, Inc. Denver Chapter	1970 and undated
Box 1	FF26	Links, Inc. Denver Chapter (History)	Undated
Box 1	FF27	Mock Wedding	Undated

**Series IV: Publications**

Box 1

Box 1      FF28      Rice. *Prayers and Meditations* and  
*How Does Denver Rate*      1962, n.d.