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**Provenance:** Stanton, John  
**Title:** John Stanton fonds  
**Dates:** 1936-1985  
**Physical desc.:** 2 m of textual records  
**Bio/Admin History:** John Stanton served as legal counsel for numerous industrial trade unions in British Columbia including the International Woodworkers of America, International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union and International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union. Stanton worked for the Vancouver Community Legal Assistance Society from 1976 to 1984.  
**Scope/Content:** The fonds consists of materials pertaining to Stanton's career as a lawyer representing a broad spectrum of industrial unions such as the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers (Canada), International Woodworkers of America and the Marine Workers and Boilermakers Industrial Union as well as individual cases relating to the workplace. There are also articles relating to the foundation and activities of various unions, the ILWU in particular, as well as copies of union constitutions and by-laws. There are case records of the ILWU vs. Nissho and Pacific Coast Hydrocarbons, and correspondence pertaining to Harold Pritchett, in particular dealing with his entry into the United States and documents relating to the "Greenhill Park" disaster of 1945. There are also files created by Stanton in representing his clients that formed the basis for his published autobiography "Never Say Die".  
**Title source:** Title based on the contents of the fonds.  
**Restrictions:** Some restrictions apply.  
**Finding aids:** Inventory available.  
**Repository:** University of British Columbia Library Rare Books and Special Collections  
**Names:** Pritchett, Harold, 1904- ; Stanton, John ; International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers (Canada)  
International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union  
International Woodworkers of America

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BOX/FOLDER no.	TITLE	DATE
	Pioneer Mine strike	
1-1	Case File #180. Pioneer Local 308.	1939-1940
1-2	Case File #183. Pioneer: Prohibition and Certiorari.	1939
1-3	Case File #184. Pioneer: 5 appeals: Paterson, Haddrell, A. Cameron, Penland, Nomland to County Court of Cariboo.	1939
1-4	Case File #198. Pioneer: Court of Appeals re legality of strike.	1939-1940
1-5	Case File #188. Evictions (Pioneer).	1939-1940
	Nissho (Canada) Limited and Pacific Coast Hydrocarbons Ltd. vs. International Longshoremen's Union - Canada Area and Craig H. Pritchett and A. H. Barker	
2	Appeal Book (proceedings in B.C. Court of Appeal) 3 volumes	1965

STANTON, JOHN ADDENDUM CONSTITUTIONS

BOX/folder no.	TITLE	DATE
Canadian Council of Unions		
3-1	-Canadian Congress of Labour Constitutions	1946
	-Fishing Vessel Owner's Association of B.C.	1962
	-United Fisherman and Allied Workers' Union	1965
3-2	-Canadian Brotherhood of Railway, Transport and General Workers	1967
	-Pulp and Paper Workers of Canada Constitution	1968
3-3	-Canadian Association of Industrial, Mechanical and Allied Workers Local #1 Canadian Electrical Workers Agreement	1970
	-Canadian Association of Industrial, Mechanical and Allied Workers Constitution	1970
3-4	-B.C. Federation of Labour Constitution	1971
	-Constitution of Transportation Employees Canadian Union	1971
3-5	-Canadian Association of Industrial, Mechanical and Allied Workers Constitution	1971
	-Canadian Union of Public Employees Constitution	1973
3-6	-Public Service Alliance of Canada Constitution	1973
3-7	-National Constitution of Canadian Union of Postal Workers	1974
3-8	-Canadian Labour Congress Constitution	1974
	-Constitution of the Canadian Paperworkers Union	1974
3-9	-B.C. Gov't Employees' Union Constitution	1974
	-Hospital Employees' Union Constitution	1974
3-10	-Constitution of the Service, Office and Retail Workers	1974
	-Constitution of Canadian Association of Industrial, Mechanical and Allied Workers	1975
	-Constitution of B.C. Federation of Labour	1977
End of Canadian Council of Unions		
3-11	-Handbook for Job Stewards by Vancouver Civic Employees Union	?
	-By-Laws of N. Fraser Harbour Commissioners	1928
	-Constitution of International Association of Machinists	1937
3-12	-By-laws of New Westminster Harbour Commissioners	1938
	-International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union Agreement, Working Conditions, Wage Schedule and Dispatching Regulations	1946
3-13	-International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union Agreement, Working Conditions, Wage Schedule & Dispatching Regulations	1948

BOX/FOLDER no.	TITLE	DATE
3-13	-International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union Constitution & By-laws	1947
3-14	-Vancouver General Hospital By-laws & Act of Incorporation	1952
	-Constitution & By-laws of Vancouver Civic Employees Union Outside Workers	1953
3-15	-International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union (Local 501) Agreement, Working Conditions, Schedule & Dispatching Regulations	1954
	-International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union (Local 501) Agreement, Working Conditions, Wage Schedule & Dispatching Regulations	1955
3-16	-Britannia Mining & Smelting Company Ltd, Retirement Benefit Plan	1956
3-17	-International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union (Local 501) Agreement, Working Conditions, Wage Schedule & Dispatching Regulations	1957
	-Shipping Federation of B.C. Constitution and By-laws	1957
3-18	-Kimberly Agreement between the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company of Canada Ltd, and the International Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers	1958
3-19	-City of Vancouver Street & Traffic By-laws	1959
3-20	-International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union Agreement, Working Conditions, Wage Schedule & Dispatching Regulations	1959
3-21	-Labour Agreement between City of Vancouver & Vancouver Civic Employees Union	1959
3-22	-Shipping Federation of B.C. Safety Regulations	1960
3-23	-International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Unions (Locals 501-504, 508) Agreement, Working Conditions, Wage Schedule & Dispatching Regulations	1960
3-24	-Constitutions & By-laws of the Vancouver Civic Employees' Union	1961
	-Labour Agreement between Vancouver Civic Employees union & City of Vancouver	1961
3-25	-New Westminster Harbour Commissioners By-laws	1962
3-26	-Trail & Kimberly Agreement between Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company of Canada Ltd. and International Union of Mine Mill & Smelter Workers	1962
	-Agreement & Minimum Wage Scale between B.C. Hotel's Association & the Beverage Dispensers Union	1963
3-27	-Labour Agreement between Vancouver Civic Employees Union & City of Vancouver	1963
3-28	-Agreement between B.C. Wharf Operators' Association and International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union - Canadian Area	1963
3-29	-Labour Agreement between Vancouver Civic Employees Union & City of Vancouver	1964
	-Constitution & By-laws of Vancouver Civic Employees Union	1965

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3-30	-Constitution of International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen & Helpers of America	1966
3-31	-Agreement between Cominco and International Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers (Canada) (Trail, Kimberly, H.B. & Benson Lake)	1968
3-32	-Labour Agreement between Vancouver Civic Employees Union, Canadian Union of Public Employees & City of Vancouver	1967
3-33	-Agreement between B.C. Hydro & International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers	1968
3-34	-Unification Agreement & Constitution _United Transportation Union	1969
4-1	-Constitution & By-laws of the Grand International Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers	1971
4-2	-Constitution & Laws of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners of America	1971
4-3	-Constitution of International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen & Helpers of America	1971
4-4	-The Newspaper Guild Constitution	1971
4-5	-Amalgamated Transit Union Constitution & General Laws	1971
4-6	-Constitution of United Steelworkers of America	1972
4-7	-Book of Laws of the International Typographical Union	1974
4-8	-IBEW Constitution	1974
4-9	-Constitution of the Hotel, Restaurant Employees' & Bartenders' Union	1974
4-10	-Constitution & Laws of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners of America	1975
4-11	-American Federation of Labour & Congress of Industrial Organizations	1975
4-11	-Duplicates	
4-12	-Duplicates	
	<u>ADDITION</u>	
4-13	-Constitution + By-laws: International Longshoremen and Warehousemen's Union	1970
	-Constitution of B.C. Federation of Labour, C.C.L.	1947
	-Constitution and By-laws of Vancouver Civic Employees' Union	1959
	-Constitution and By-laws of Civic Employees' Union Vancouver, B.C.	?
4-14	-Trades and Labor Congress of Canada Constitution and By-laws	1954
	-Constitution and By-laws of International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union	1974
	-Constitution of the Canadian Area (International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union)	1974

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4-15	-Retail Clerks International Assoc. Constitution	1972
4-16	-International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 213 By-laws	1974

Research Notes for An Article Entitled "Labour Arbitrations: Boon or Bane for Unions?"

5-1	Typescript	
5-2	Research Data, January 1966 - September, 1976 - Transportation	
5-3	" "	- Construction
5-4	" "	- Food
5-5	" "	- Service
5-6	" "	- Manufacturing
5-7	" "	- Mining
5-8	" "	- Timber
5-9	" "	- Oil and Chemical
5-10	" "	- Public Sector
5-11	Tabulation of data by sector	

Subject files

5-(12- 14) International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union 1945-48, 1981  
Correspondence, reports, agreements and related material pertaining to the founding of the union and its early years and a chapter from an unpublished manuscript "The Waterfront Men and Their Unions, 1888-1981," relating to the founding of the ILWU.

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	"Greenhill Park" disaster.	
5-15	Chapter from an unpublished work, "S.S. Green Hill Park"	n.d.
5-16	Correspondence (Stanton's file no. 1371)	1945-1946
5-17	Documents (Stanton's file no. 1264)	1945-1946
	Pritchett, Harold J.	
5-18	Stanton's file no. 1394. Correspondence concerning permission for Mr. Pritchett to enter the United States; other legal matters.	1945-1949



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JOHN STANTON PAPERS (ADDENDUM)

boxes 6 - 14

SUBJECT FILES

Throughout 1985 John Stanton donated files created during his career as a lawyer for industrial unions and their members. Upon completion of chapters in his unpublished autobiography, "They Never Said Die," those files and research files created in writing the chapters were donated. The subject files are listed as they pertain to each chapter in the unpublished manuscript. With the exception of box 5, folder no. 18, which does not pertain to any specific draft chapter, but was one of Stanton's legal files; all the material prior to box 6, including files relating to draft chapters was donated prior to 1985. In addition to the above-mentioned files, John Stanton donated research files relating to his previously published book, The Life and Death of a Union: The Canadian Seamen's Union, 1936-1949, in 1985 as well as some constitutions.

Box 6

Chapter 5 - Breakdown to Breakthrough

file 590	I.W.A. Local 1 - 71, Queen Charlotte Island Dispute Reports, agreements, clippings, corres. including submissions to the Federal Arbitration Board	1942-43
file 25	I.W.A. Local 80, Cowichan Lake Correspondence between John Stanton and the Local relating mainly to working conditions and membership dues disputes	1938-47
file 414	I.W.A. B.C. District Council Correspondence and agreements relating mainly to the 1946 strike	1940-49

Chapter 2 - Rough Times at Blubber Bay

file 12	District Council, general correspondence Much correspondence, documents, and photocopies on the Blubber Bay strike including letters from strikers.	1938-39
file 14	District Council, Affidavits on police misconduct Copies of affidavits, index to them and <u>B.C. Lumber Workers</u> , July 19, 1938.	
file 230	Pacific Lime Cases	1935-40
file 24	Prosecutions against pickets Correspondence, notes on hearings, and documents	
file 18	Prosecutions against scabs Correspondence, transcripts, and documents	
file 16	Rex. vs. Williamson Correspondence and document	

Subject files continued

Box 7      Chapter 8 - A Labour Editor is Jailed

file 1073      George North      1959  
Documents, notes, corres. and list of activities of Stanton on behalf of North who was jailed for contempt after being critical of the courts in a case between the Ironworkers, Local 97 and the Dominion Bridge Company Ltd.

Chapter 14 - The Compensation Board That Didn't

file 619      Zucco, Jack B. (Estate)      1958-64  
Correspondence and documents pertaining to a legal case Stanton presented on behalf of the family of a miner dying of silicosis that is refused compensation.

file 89      Zucco, Bea Mrs.      1956-57  
Correspondence on the legal case.

Box 8

file 642      Murray, Pearl      1961-62  
Documents and correspondence pertaining to compensation case to family after the death of a miner.

file 1814      Murray, Pearl      1959-64  
Documents and correspondence

Typescripts (16)      Proceedings of the trial, Pearl Amanda Murry vs. The Queen, Vancouver, B.C.      1960-61

Box 9      Chapter 7 - The 26-Year Case (Foremen on the Waterfront: ILWU) 1966-80  
Photocopies of documents relating to the right of foremen to join a union and research notes including interviews, 1980.

Chapter 11 - Civil Disobedience (1966: ILWU)      1966  
Photocopies of documents

Chapter 20 - The Case of the Frozen Funds (1947-58 - Civic Workers) 1949-55, 1979  
Correspondence, excerpts from minutes of the Civic Employees' Federal Labour Union, T.L.C. Local 28, a broadsheet, "Stand Up and Fight! Defeat the Disrupters!", photocopies, and research notes, 1979 relating to the election of two communist officers by the civic workers that resulted in disciplinary action by its parent body and the freezing of union funds by the Royal Bank for six years.

Box 10      A memorandum of agreement between the Committee representing the employees of the Yukon Consolidated Gold Corporation and the Company      Aug. 8, 1941

Chapter 1 - The Battle of Ballantyne Pier, 1935  
Photocopies on the dispute from the Vancouver City Archives and research notes, 1982

Subject files continued

box 10      Chapter 3 - Laying the Foundations at Trail

file 838      I.U.M.M. & S.W. Union, Local 480, Trail      1943-48  
Correspondence and documents relating to attempts  
at union organization.

file 916      I.U.M.M. & S.W. Union, Local 651, Kimberley      1942-47  
Briefs, applications, correspondence relating  
to early union organizing.

Chapter 7 - The 26-Year Case - Foremen on Waterfront

file 3348      Canadian Stevedoring Company Limited and Lloyd C. Gropp      1969

file 3515      I.L.W.U. re: Foremen Certification - Appeal to Ottawa      1969-70  
Correspondence and pleadings

Chapter 10 - The Contemptuous Fishermen

file 3041      U.F.A.W.U. - Contempt, first appeal (to June 15, 1967)  
Correspondence and documents      1967

box 11

file 3055      U.F.A.W.U. - Contempts, Appeal, Bail  
Documents and notes

file 3075      U.F.A.W.U. - Contempt - Trial  
Legal documents and notes

file 3076      U.F.A.W.U. - Contempt - Second appeal      1967  
Correspondence and notes on the case

file 3138      U.F.A.W.U. - Contempt appeal      1967-68  
Documents and correspondence

Appeal books (4) Regina vs. U.F.A.W.U.      1967

box 12

Chapter 11 - Civil Disobedience  
Correspondence and documents      1966

Chapter 12 - The Injustice of Injunctions  
Notes, clippings, photocopies of documents      n.d.

Chapter 13 - The Mockery of Ad Hockery  
Photocopies and notes      1976-84

Chapter 14 - The Compensation Board That Didn't  
Documents and correspondence re: Zucco case      1957

Chapter 15 - Parent Versus Offspring (1942-43 - Boilermakers Local #1

file 626      Boilermakers' Union  
Corres., documents, notes, and charter relating to  
in-house union battles.      1942-43

Subject files continued

box 12	<u>Chapter 20 - The case of the Frozen Funds</u>	
file 3685	<u>Civic Employees re: Royal Bank</u>	1950-58
	Correspondence and documents	
	<u>Chapter 22 - Mechanization and Modernization (I.L.W.U.)</u>	
file 1744	<u>Correspondence and memorandum</u>	1961-62
box 13 & 14	<u>The Canadian Seamen's Union, 1936-49</u>	
box 13 (9 files)	Files consisting of correspondence, documents,	
box 14(17 files)	agreements notes on cases by each ship, mainly	
	original files with some research files containing	
	photocopies.	
	The individual ship files list various grievances	
	of seamen.	
box 15-1	<u>Photographs</u>	
	<u>Photos copied by Stanton:</u> (Envelope with negatives -	
	copies of below photographs - with Stanton papers)	
	BC 1845/1	
	BC 1845/9	
	BC 1845/11	
	From the Fishermen's Publishing Society Photograph	
	Collection:	
	-Other unions 1b	
	USWA strike	
	-ILWU arrests 1966 1b	
	-Arrests/jailings 1966 ILWU ia	
	-Other unions OTEU staff 1967 1b	
	-B.C. Fed. convention 1966 1a	
	-1961 Peace demo 1c	
	-Bill 33 demo. Van. Civic Workers 1b	
	-Trades and Labour Congress convention 1949 1a	
	-Van. and New West unemployment demo 1970 1d	
	-Bill 33 protest Van. Civic Workers 1b	
15	- <u>Constitution</u> not donated previously	