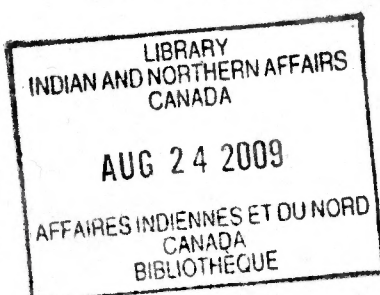
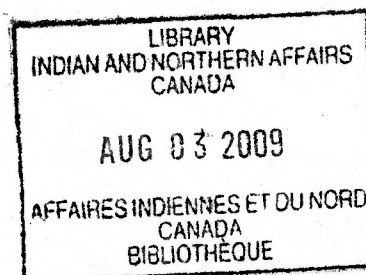


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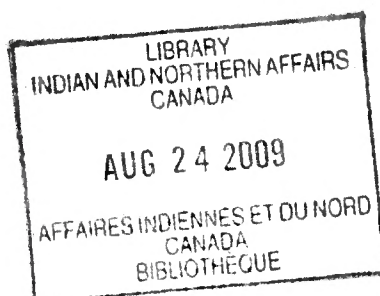
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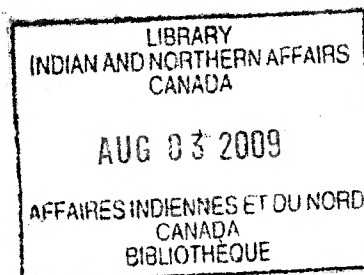
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**RG 150: FIRST WORLD WAR MILITARY SERVICE  
1914-**

**Background:** The First World War Military Service contains the files, records of honour, casualty, etc., of all Canadian military personnel who served in Canadian and some British Regiments. It includes files on the First and Second World Wars and the Korean War, as well as records of some naval units.

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Military service files on over 600 000 members of Canadian Expeditionary Force.	See "Remarks" below

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**Related Records:** RGs 9, 10, 24. RG 10 has extensive case files, especially for World War I, relating to pension, pay and estates of status Indians who died during the war.

**Language of Records:** Mostly English.

**Microfilm:** None.

**Access:** Subject to the *Access to Information and Privacy Acts*.

**Finding Aids**

**Inventory:** Inventory is still in preparation.

**Lists:** Consult the archivist.

**Subject Indexes:** None.

**Remarks:** Responsibility for these records was transferred to GAD from the Personnel Records Centre in November 1992. The PRC will continue to hold the records, however, until the new Archives building is completed in 1996. Address enquiries to:  
Researcher Services Division, NA, 395 Wellington Avenue, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N3. Researchers wishing to see large numbers of these

files should contact the Chief, Genealogy and Personnel Records, at 613-954-4140.

**RG 152: COURT CHALLENGES PROGRAM**  
**1985-**

**Background:** The Court Challenges Program was established in 1985 with a mandate to select cases and allocate funding to individuals or groups who wanted to try test cases in the areas of language or equality rights under the Canadian Constitution, the *Manitoba Act* and/or the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedom*. The program had several purposes: to clarify the language and equality provisions of these statutes; to allow minority groups, which might not otherwise have access to the necessary human and financial resources, to pursue legal action; and to promote the status of language and human rights. The program was abolished in 1991 and reinstated in 1994. It has supported many important and precedent-setting cases which might not have been tried otherwise.

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Court Challenges Program, Public Case files, 1985-1991. The majority of the public files were those that were either controversial and/or set a legal precedent in the area of language and/or human rights. These files contain documents such as transcripts and other court documents, news releases, reports on the issue under dispute, copies of sections of legislation relating to the case, committee proceedings and press releases.	Vols. 1-30; see finding aid 152-1

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**Related Records:** RG 125.

**Language of Records:** Mostly English.

**Microfilm:** None.

**Access:** Subject to the *Access to Information and Privacy Acts*.

### Finding Aids

**Inventory:** "RG 152 - Inventory" (unpublished typescript, NA, Government Archives Division, no date).

**Lists:** File lists available for entire group.

**Subject Indexes:** None.

**Remarks:** Researchers should note that the original single filing system was changed into two separate series of public and confidential files. The majority of the public files were those that were either controversial and/or set a legal precedent in the area of language and/or human rights. The confidential files are closed until 2022.

## ABBREVIATIONS

The following is a list of abbreviations used throughout this Guide.

ACND	Advisory Committee on Northern Development
ARDA	<i>Agricultural and Rural Development Act</i>
ATIP	Access to Information Program
DIA	Department of Indian Affairs, specifically the Department before its transfer to the Indian Affairs Branch (IAB) in 1936
DIAND	Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development
DM	Deputy Minister
FA	Finding Aid
GAD	Government Archives Division
IAB	Indian Affairs Branch, 1936-1966
INAC	Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
JCPC	Judicial Committee of the Privy Council
MG	Manuscript Group
MRR	Machine Readable Records
NA	National Archives of Canada
NACL	National Archives of Canada Library
NL	National Library of Canada
OC	Order in Council
OCPC	Order in Council of the Privy Council

PAC        Public Archives of Canada (now NA)

PC         Privy Council

RG         Record Group

VSA        Visual and Sound Archives of NA

VSA (Art) Visual and Sound Archives, Pictorial Section

VSA (A-V) Visual and Sound Archives, Audio-Visual Section

VSA (CA)   Visual and Sound Archives, Cartographic Section

VSA (MED) Visual and Sound Archives, Medal Collection

VSA (Photo)    Visual and Sound Archives, Photographic Section



## INTRODUCTION TO THE INDEXES

The following indexes are provided as signposts to the contents of this Guide. They should enable researchers to gain a fairly quick grasp of where to look within the Guide for certain topics and individuals. The indexes are not definitive; i.e., they do not replace careful reading of the Guide itself nor do they list every reference to a particular topic. The citations provided are only to the relevant Record Group, not to volume or file references within the RG. Thus, especially for subject searches, researchers will need to review the entire fact sheet for RG listed for their subject, since the Record Group(s) may contain more than one mention of it.

There are two indexes, a **Subject Index** and a **Name Index**. The Subject Index attempts to organize the many subjects and issues covered in archival documents into reasonably manageable topic areas. It does not contain every archival reference to every subject; the organization is very general and the more specific the researcher's quest, the more necessary to pay close attention to the Guide itself. Researchers are encouraged to start with leads supplied by the index, but are advised not to limit their search for documents to those leads.

The Name Index includes only those individuals whose names are found within the Guide. Many of the most important people in the history of aboriginal-Eurocanadian relations are not mentioned by name in the Guide and so do not appear in the Index. Researchers interested in individuals not listed in the Index should either use the Subject Index to locate potential sources pertaining to the individual they have in mind, or check the standard biographical works for references to relevant document collections. For example, the *Dictionary of Canadian Biography* contains a bibliography of sources for each individual entry. Knowing the role, position or title of an individual may also be helpful; e.g., knowing the individual was a chief or an Indian Agent may help in locating potential sources through the Subject Index.

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