

## YORK UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Inventory of the R.M. Fowler fonds

Inventory #F0306

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Fonds/Collection Number: F0306

Title: R.M. Fowler fonds

**Dates:** 1936-1945

Extent: 0.38 m of textual records

Biographical Sketch/ Robert MacLaren Fowler (1906-1980), barrister and corporate director, served as Administrative History: a member of staff on the Rowell-Sirois Commission on Dominion-Provincial Relations, 1937-1939. He practised law in Toronto and Ottawa (McCarthy & McCarthy; Gowling, Henderson), served as president of the Canadian Pulp and Paper Industry (1945-1972), and chaired the Executive Committee of the C.D.

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**Scope and Content:** The fonds consists records of R.M. Fowler, including reports, correspondence, transcripts of hearing and related material from the Royal Commission on Dominion-Provincial Relations (Rowell-Sirois). This includes summary of the hearings (1937-1940), and transcripts of private sittings with the Manitoba and New Brunswick delegations (1938). In addition, there is material from Commission staff in the form of memoranda (1937-1938), precis of discussions (1938-1939), bibliographies and Orders-in-Council, tax forms and notes and estimates relating to unemployment in Canada (1938-1939). There are also copies of several reports issued by the Commission on the taxing power in Canada, debt adjustment, excise duties, and studies of federal systems in other

countries.

Custodial History: This material was transferred to the York University Archives from the

Government Documents Library in 1977.

Restrictions on No restrictions on access.

Access and Use:

Finding Aid: File list available.

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Accruals: The fonds comprises the following accession: 1977-005. Further accruals may be

expected.

Provenance Access Points: Fowler, R.M., 1906-1980

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