

# Solomon Cohen papers

## Descriptive Summary

<b>Repository:</b>	Georgia Historical Society
<b>Creator:</b>	Cohen, Solomon, 1802-1875.
<b>Title:</b>	Solomon Cohen papers
<b>Dates:</b>	1841-1867
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<b>Identification:</b>	MS 0159

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## Biographical/Historical Note

Solomon Cohen (1802-1875), son of Rev. Moses C. Cohen, was a lawyer in Georgetown, S.C. until 1838 when he moved to Savannah. He represented the Georgetown District in the South Carolina Legislature. After moving to Savannah, he represented Chatham County in the Georgia Legislature. He was on the Board of Alderman of Savannah and served as U.S. Postmaster in Savannah, 1853-1861. In 1860, he was a member of the Georgia delegation to the Democratic convention in Charleston, S.C., where he spoke in favor of reconciliation with the North. At the commencement of the Civil War, he continued to be Postmaster under the Confederate Government. In 1866, he was elected to the U.S. Congress from the First Congressional District of Georgia, but was not admitted.

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## Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of manuscripts and correspondence. Included are a lecture delivered to the Georgia Historical Society, 1841; meeting minutes of the Georgia Historical Society, 1855; and a eulogy of the Rt. Reverend Stephen Elliott, published by the Georgia Historical Society, 1867. Also included are four letters to Cohen, as Confederate States Postmaster in Savannah, from officials in the Confederate States Post Office Department in Richmond, Va., 1863.

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## Index Terms

Cohen, Solomon, 1802-1875.  
Confederate States of America. Post-Office Department.  
Elliott, Stephen, 1806-1866.  
Eulogies.  
Georgia Historical Society.  
Letters (correspondence)  
Minutes (administrative records)

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## Administrative Information

### Custodial History

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### Acquisition Information

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### Access Restrictions

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## Container List

Item 1: "A Discourse on the formation of the Constitution of the United States, delivered as an introductory to a course of Lectures of the Georgia Historical Society" by Solomon Cohen, 1841 January 7

Item 2: Minutes of a meeting of the Georgia Historical Society, Savannah, Ga., 1855 January 7

Item 3: "Eulogy on the life and character of the Rt. Rev. Stephen Elliot, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Georgia and President of the Georgia Historical Society," by Hon. Solomon Cohen, 1867

Written and published at the request of the Georgia Historical Society.

Item 4: Letter from B.N. Clements, Chief of Appt. Bureau, Richmond, Va., Confederate States Post Office Department, Appointment Bureau, to Solomon Cohen, 1863 July 15

Authorizes Cohen to purchase paper.

Item 5: Letter from B.N. Clements, Chief of Appt. Bureau, Richmond, Va., Confederate States Post Office Department, Appointment Bureau, to Solomon Cohen, 1863 August 6

Regarding Route Agents on the Macon and Augusta Road.

Item 6: Letter from Bolling Baker (Baber?), Auditor, Richmond, Va., Confederate States General Post Office Department, Auditor's Office, to Solomon Cohen, 1863 August 13

Item 7: Letter from Jno. G. Harrell, Chief of Finance Bureau, Richmond, Va., Confederate States Post Office Department, Finance Bureau, to Solomon Cohen, 1863 September 25

Regarding collection of enclosed draft (not included with letter) and placing funds in the

Depository at Savannah.