

**David Banister Morgan Papers**  
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## Collection Summary

**Title:** David Banister Morgan Papers

**Span Dates:** 1804-1819

**Bulk Dates:** (bulk 1811-1815)

**ID No.:** MSS33449

**Creator:** Morgan, David Banister, 1773-1848

**Extent:** 45 items

**Extent:** 1 container

**Extent:** .4 linear feet

**Language:** Collection material in English

**Location:** Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

**LC Catalog record:** <https://lccn.loc.gov/mm82033449>

**Summary:** Army officer. Correspondence and other military records mainly while Morgan served as commander of the Louisiana and Mississippi militia, under General Andrew Jackson, and at the Battle of New Orleans.

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

### People

Claiborne, William C. C. (William Charles Cole), 1775-1817--Correspondence.

Jackson, Andrew, 1767-1845--Correspondence.

Jackson, Andrew, 1767-1845.

Morgan, David Banister, 1773-1848.

### Organizations

Louisiana. Militia.

Mississippi. Militia.

### Subjects

New Orleans, Battle of, New Orleans, La., 1815.

### Places

Louisiana--History--War of 1812.

United States--History--War of 1812--Campaigns.

### Occupations

Army officers.

## Provenance

The papers of David Banister Morgan, army officer, were purchased by the Library of Congress, 1913-1915.

## Processing History

The Morgan Papers were bound by the Library in 1947. The finding aid was created in 2016.

## Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of David Banister Morgan is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

## Access and Restrictions

The papers of David Banister Morgan are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

## Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, David Banister Morgan Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

## Biographical Note

David Banister Morgan, born in West Springfield, Massachusetts, Aug. 22, 1772, trained as a civil engineer before relocating to Louisiana, where he became commander of the Louisiana and Mississippi militia, including during the Battle of New Orleans, 1814-1815, under General Andrew Jackson. Morgan died at Covington, Louisiana, July 15, 1848.

## Scope and Content Note

The papers of David Banister Morgan (1773-1848) span the years 1804-1819, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the period 1811-1815. The collection consists of a bound volume mainly of correspondence and other items relating to Morgan's service as commander of the Louisiana and Mississippi militia, under General Andrew Jackson, and at the Battle of New Orleans, 1814-1815. Included are tabulated reports on the strength of the Louisiana militia under Morgan's command and a copy of his printed address to the citizens of New Orleans, December 15, 1814. Also in the collection are several military charts and a few mercantile letters. Correspondents in addition to Jackson (letters dated December 22 and 26, 1814) include William C. C. Claiborne, territorial governor of Louisiana and Mississippi.

## Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is organized chronologically within the bound volume.

# Container List

Container	Contents
BOX 1	Correspondence and military records, 1804-1819