Retention and Classification Report

Agency: Blue Bell Mining District (Utah). Recorder (3141)

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Records Officer: _____

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SERIES: 24153   4
TITLE: Location notices
DATES: 1896-1897.
ARRANGEMENT: chronological.
DESCRIPTION:

The development of the cyanide process in the early 1890s and the
construction of the first commercial cyanide mill in Mercur
stimulated mining activity and prompted the organization of
several new mining districts. The Blue Bell District was
organized in southeast Tooele County in 1896. Records kept by the
Blue Bell Mining District recorder include only notices of
location for claims staked in the district. According to federal
law, mineral deposits in the public domain were free and open to
exploration, and locators of the same had exclusive right of
possession. Local mining districts managed mining operations and
recorded claims. (Statutes at Large, Treaties, and Proclamations,
of the United States of America, vol. 17, 1872, chap. 152). Each
notice of location recorded in the Blue Bell District includes a
detailed description of the claim and the names of locators. The
names of claims are printed boldly at the top of each page and
each is signed and dated by the district recorder.

RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:

These records are in Archives' permanent custody.

FORMAT MANAGEMENT:

Paper: Retain in Office permanently after being microfilmed.

Microfilm master: Retain in State Archives permanently with
authority to weed.

Microfilm duplicate: Retain in State Archives permanently with
authority to weed.

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APPRAISAL:

These records have historical value(s).
Blue Bell Mining District location notices provide valuable
information about mining in south east Tooele County in 1896 and
1897.

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PRIMARY DESIGNATION:

Public