# Hannah Wolfe Burton Papers, Delaware Historical Society, Wilmington Delaware 

## Scope and Content

This collection contains the papers of Hannah Wolfe Burton from Sussex County, Delaware. Materials include a manuscript diary (1811-1824), correspondence primarily to family members on everyday life (1792-1825), and personal writings on mostly religious subjects.

These materials reflect the active religious and social life the Burtons lived in Sussex County, Delaware. This collection of materials provides insight into the daily activities and responsibilities of running a family farm in the early nineteenth century. Descriptions of Christian religious practices and local clergy leaders also provide excellent research material on the study of early American religion in the Mid-Atlantic region.

## Biography/Profile

Hannah Wolfe Burton lived in Sussex County, Delaware during the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. She married Joshua Burton in 1794. The Burtons were active in the Sussex County church and religious community. The family were slaveholders and owned a farm near Lingo Creek in Indian River Hundred, Delaware. Joshua Burton was a lay minister and also served for a number of terms as a representative of Sussex County in the Delaware General Assembly.

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