

## Samuel M. Ralston thank you

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### Biographical Note:

Samuel Moffett Ralston was born on December 1, 1857, near New Cumberland, Ohio. His parents were John and Sarah Scott Ralston. In 1865, his family moved to Owen County, Indiana, where they established a large farm. They moved several more times, finally settling in Spencer, Indiana. Ralston was a schoolteacher before he began studying law in 1884. He was admitted to the bar in 1886 and set up a practice in Lebanon, Indiana, where he continued until his election as Governor of Indiana in 1912. Ralston married Mary Josephine Backus on December 25, 1881, but Mary died only six months later. In 1889, he remarried to Jennie Cravens with whom he had three children. Ralston died on October 14, 1925.

#### *Sources:*

Monks, Leander. Courts and Lawyers of Indiana, Volume III. Indianapolis: Federal Publishing Co., 1916.

Taylor, Charles W. Biographical Sketches and Review of the Bench and Bar of Indiana. Indianapolis: Bench and Bar Publishing Co., 1895.

### Scope and Content Note:

The collection consists of a thank you note card sent by Samuel Moffett Ralston to his supporters after his election as Governor of Indiana.

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### Item Listing:

1 Folder.

1912 Nov. 26 Thank you note card to Glenn C. Beechler

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