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Florida Supreme Court Library - Tallahassee, FL Contact: Mr. Erik Robinson (850) 414-8050; robinsoe@flcourts.org

Tallahassee Museum of History & Natural Science - Tallahassee, FL Contact: Ms. Linda Deaton ideaton@tallahasseeuseum.org

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Destin History and Fishing Museum - Destin, FL Contact: Jean Melvin, dhfmuseum@yahoo.com

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Lake Eustis Museum of Art - Eustis, FL Contact: Kristin Van Dorn, kvandorn@lakeeustismuseumofart.org

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New Port Richey Public Library - New Port Richey, FL Contact: Susan Dillinger, sddillinger@gmail.com

Appleton Museum of Art of Central Florida Community College - Ocala, FL Contact: Pamela Mock, mockp@cf.edu

Special Collections and University Archives - Orlando, FL Contact: Judith Beale, jbeale@mail.ucf.edu

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St. Petersburg Museum of History Archives - St. Petersburg, FL Contact: Ann Wikoff, archives@stpetmuseumofhistory.org

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University of South Florida - Tampa, FL Contact: Mark Greenberg, mgreenbe@lib.usf.edu

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