Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace

2.48 Source List Arrangements: By Author-Title

For published materials and other authored works (articles, books, manuscripts, maps, newspapers, theses, typescripts, etc.—whatever the media) the custom is to itemize works alphabetically, following these procedures:

- List authored sources in alphabetical order by author's surname.
- List anonymously authored works alphabetically by the title's first word. As an alternative, we may use the word *Anonymous* in the author's field, placing it in square editorial brackets, although this practice has fallen out of favor.
- If an author produced some works alone and some with other writers, we first group all those produced alone, citing the author's name first and then arranging the works alphabetically by their titles. Under that cluster we create a second grouping for that author's jointly written works; again, the principal author is cited first, with the joint works arranged alphabetically by the names of the second authors, etc. For example:

Source List Entries:

- McWhiney, Grady. Braxton Bragg and Confederate Defeat. New York: Columbia University Press, 1969.
- McWhiney, Grady, and Forrest McDonald. "The South from Self-Sufficiency to Peonage: An Interpretation," American Historical Review 85 (December 1980): 1095–1108.
 - -----. "The Antebellum Southern Herdsman: A Reinterpretation," *Journal of Southern History* 41 (May 1975): 147–66.
- McWhiney, Grady, and Sue McWhiney, eds. *To Mexico with Taylor and Scott, 1845–1847.* Waltham, Massachusetts: Blaisdell Publishing Co., 1969.

See also 2.65 for an explanation of the 3-em dash used in source lists to indicate (a) the sole author cited in the preceding entry or (b) all the authors cited in the preceding entry.

2.49 Source List Arrangements: By Collection

When citing manuscript materials, we frequently find multiple documents of value in each collection we examine. Efficiency then suggests that our source list should cite items only at the collection level, rather than list every document. Entries cited at the collection level would be similar to these: