

THE MESILLA FILES

CASE FILE NO. 8

The TOX Archive

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Classification: Ongoing Investigation

Status: Active

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CASE SUMMARY

Nearly every major investigation conducted by the **TRC Research Center** has one thing in common.

The evidence often traces back to an unknown source identified only as...

TOX.

For years, journals, maps, letters, photographs, field notes, and recorded interviews quietly appeared in the possession of researchers investigating The Mesilla Files.

No return address.

No explanation.

Only a small notation.

TOX

Who—or what—TOX actually represents remains one of the greatest unanswered questions in the archive.

WHAT IS TOX?

Originally, researchers believed TOX referred to a single individual working anonymously.

Recent discoveries suggest something very different.

Current evidence indicates **TOX may be a title, an organization, or a network of researchers** dedicated to preserving information connected to the Mesilla Files.

If true, multiple people may have operated under the same name over many decades.

WHAT WE KNOW

The TRC Research Center has confirmed several consistent facts.

- Hundreds of historical documents have been attributed to TOX.
- The materials span more than a century.
- Many documents contain information unavailable in public archives.
- Several items have later been independently verified as authentic historical records.
- TOX never requested recognition or payment.
- No confirmed photograph of TOX exists.

The source of the archive remains unknown.

THE ARCHIVE

Recovered TOX materials include:

- Personal journals
- Hand-drawn maps
- Expedition notes
- Historic photographs
- Audio recordings
- Newspaper clippings
- Personal correspondence
- Witness interviews
- Field sketches
- Unidentified symbols

Many documents continue to be cataloged and restored.

HISTORICAL RECORDS

1959

Howard H. Hunter briefly mentioned receiving "anonymous research assistance" during one of his later investigations.

The sender was never identified.

1968

Theodore Ray Mercer recorded receiving copies of several rare journals from an unnamed source who refused to meet in person.

1980s–2000s

Scattered references appear in private correspondence describing anonymous deliveries of research materials.

No sender was identified.

Present Day

The TRC Research Center has received an extensive collection of documents believed to originate from TOX.

The collection continues to be organized, authenticated, and preserved.

THEORIES

Researchers continue to evaluate several possibilities.

Theory One

TOX was a single historian who spent decades collecting records.

Theory Two

TOX represents multiple generations of researchers sharing one identity.

Theory Three

TOX is the name of an organized group committed to preserving information before it disappears.

Theory Four

TOX is an archival designation rather than a person's name.

At this time, no theory has been confirmed.

RELATED CASES

TOX materials have contributed evidence to nearly every major investigation, including:

- **Case File No. 1 – The Mark on the Wrist**
 - **Case File No. 2 – Symbols in the Sand**
 - **Case File No. 3 – The Mesilla Veil**
 - **Case File No. 4 – The Lost Expedition of Captain Elias Voss**
 - **Case File No. 5 – The Enclosure**
 - **Case File No. 6 – The Scorpion King**
 - **Case File No. 7 – The Desert Crow**
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PERSONS OF INTEREST

- TOX
 - Theodore Ray Mercer
 - Howard H. Hunter
 - Jeremiah "Jeb" Crow
 - Captain Elias Voss
 - Dr. Thadius Malone
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CURRENT INVESTIGATION

The TRC Research Center is carefully cataloging thousands of pages believed to have originated from the TOX Archive.

Researchers are attempting to answer several important questions:

- Who founded TOX?
- Why was the archive kept hidden?
- How were so many historical documents preserved?
- Why are certain names repeatedly omitted from official records?
- Are additional TOX collections still waiting to be discovered?

Every newly cataloged document raises as many questions as it answers.

DYLAN'S NOTES

"Without the TOX Archive, many of the investigations you're reading today might never have existed. It contains journals, maps, photographs, and interviews that connect mysteries separated by decades. But the archive itself has become one of our biggest mysteries. Was TOX one person? A family? A secret organization? We honestly don't know. What we do know is that someone believed these records were too important to lose. Our job now is to preserve them—and continue asking the questions they left behind."

— Dylan Carrillo

CASE STATUS

OPEN

The TRC Research Center welcomes historical documents, journals, photographs, letters, maps, or family records that may relate to TOX or any anonymously preserved research concerning the mysteries of southern New Mexico.

Every submission is evaluated, cataloged, and compared with existing archive materials.

TRC Research Center

Collect Everything. Verify What You Can. Question Everything Else.

The records have been preserved. The investigation continues.

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