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| OBJECT ID | 2008.37.227 |
| OBJECT NAME | Block, Printing |
| OBJECT COLLECTION | Greek Art Printing Company Artifact Collection (is part of) |
| MATERIAL | Metal; Wood |
| OBJECT ENTITIES | Greek Art Printing Company, (created by) |

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

This square printing block is made of wood and metal. The metal portion has an image of Messenia region of Greece. The text on the metal portion says "Pan-Messenian Federation of America." The metal portion is coming loose from the wooden base.

ORIGIN

Donated by John Damianos. The printing block was used in a linotype printing machine. Linotype presses allowed for the casting of entire lines to be printed at a time. Linotype printing was eventually succeeded by lithograph printing and computer typesetting during the 1960's and 1970's. This printing block was used by the Chicago-based, Greek Art Printing Company that was owned and operated by Aristotle Damianos. The Greek Art Printing Company was responsible for the printing of a wide range of materials, including wedding invitations, invoices, flyers, programs, letterhead, etc., for Greek businesses, organizations, institutions, and individuals in the Chicago area, and elsewhere.

CITATION

Block, Printing, Greek Art Printing Company Artifact Collection, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 05/08/24.