

# Locating and Navigating Probate Records

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# Where to find United States Probate Records?

- Filed at Courthouses
- Usually found on the county level
- Exceptions to this:
  - Rhode Island: town level
  - Vermont and Connecticut: Probate Districts
  - New York: Early probate records for the state sometimes filed in Albany County
  - Louisiana: Filed in the parish (ex. Orleans Parish)

# Identifying when a County/Town/ Probate District was Formed



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## Somerset County, Maine Genealogy

United States → Maine → Somerset County

Guide to **Somerset County, Maine ancestry, family history, and genealogy** birth records, marriage records, death records, census records, family history, and military records.

Maine Online Genealogy Records

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### Somerset County, Maine

Map

Location in the state of Maine, United States Genealogy

Facts	
Founded	March 1, 1809
County Seat	Skowhegan



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## Research towns throughout New England and New York

Town guides will help you in identifying research strategies for towns throughout New England and New York. They includes information on name changes for towns, settlement and incorporation dates, parent towns or counties and much more. Villages, smaller sections of towns, are not included in these guides.

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For more information on Connecticut towns and their records, see:

Melnyk, Marcia D. *Genealogist's Handbook for New England Research*, 4th ed., Boston: NEHGS, 1999.

Morrison, Betty Jean. *Connecting To Connecticut*, East Hartford: Connecticut Society of Genealogists, 1995. Kemp, Thomas Jay. *Connecticut Researcher's Handbook*, Detroit: Gale Research Co., 1981.

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Estate of **Sears, Joshua**  
Attached Deceased      Incompetent Insane      Insolvent Legatee      Minor Trust

Town **Norwalk**      District **Fairfield**

Date **1754**      No. **5501**      Deposited Dec. 9, 1929

..... 1 Wills and Codicils	..... Distributions
..... Bonds	..... Account of Administration
..... Applications and Petitions	..... Receipts
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..... Orders of Court	
..... Returns to Court	..... <b>2</b> Total Documents *

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First. I hereby direct and empower my executor to pay all my funeral expenses and just debts as soon as possible.

Second. To Harold Baenziger Osborn, my grandson I give my gold watch, chain and fob complete, as a keepsake.

Third. To Julia Louise Osborn, my granddaughter, I give certain

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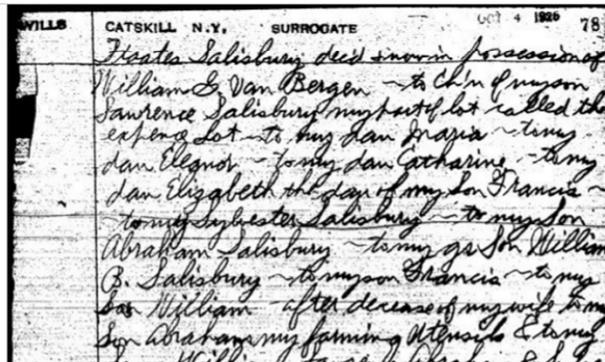
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William S. Van Bergen ~ to Ch'm of my son  
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expens lot ~ to my son Dan Maria ~ to my  
son Eleanor ~ to my son Catharine ~ to my  
son Elizabeth the daughter of my son Francis ~  
to my son Sylvester Salisbury ~ to my son  
Abraham Salisbury ~ to my son William  
B. Salisbury ~ to my son Francis ~ to my  
son William ~ after decease of my wife to my  
son Abraham my farming utensils & to my  
son William Lawrence Abraham & S. G.

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Author: Virginia. County Court (Prince Edward County); Virginia. Circuit Court (Prince Edward County); Prince Edward County (Virginia). Clerk of Circuit Court

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Author: Porter, Andrew, Col., 1734-1821; Porter, Ralph L.

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Format:	Manuscript/Manuscript on Film
Language:	English
Publication:	Salt Lake City, Utah : Filmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah, 1949 Richmond, Virginia : Filmed by the Virginia State Library, 1984
Physical:	on 8 microfilm reels ; 35 mm.

### Notes

Microfilm of original records at the Prince Edward County Courthouse in Farmville, Virginia.

Includes general indexes. Vols. 2-12 are also individually indexed. Index for v. 7 is found at the end of the book. The other filming of v. 1 includes an index.

Contains wills, inventories, appraisements, accounts, and other probate documents.

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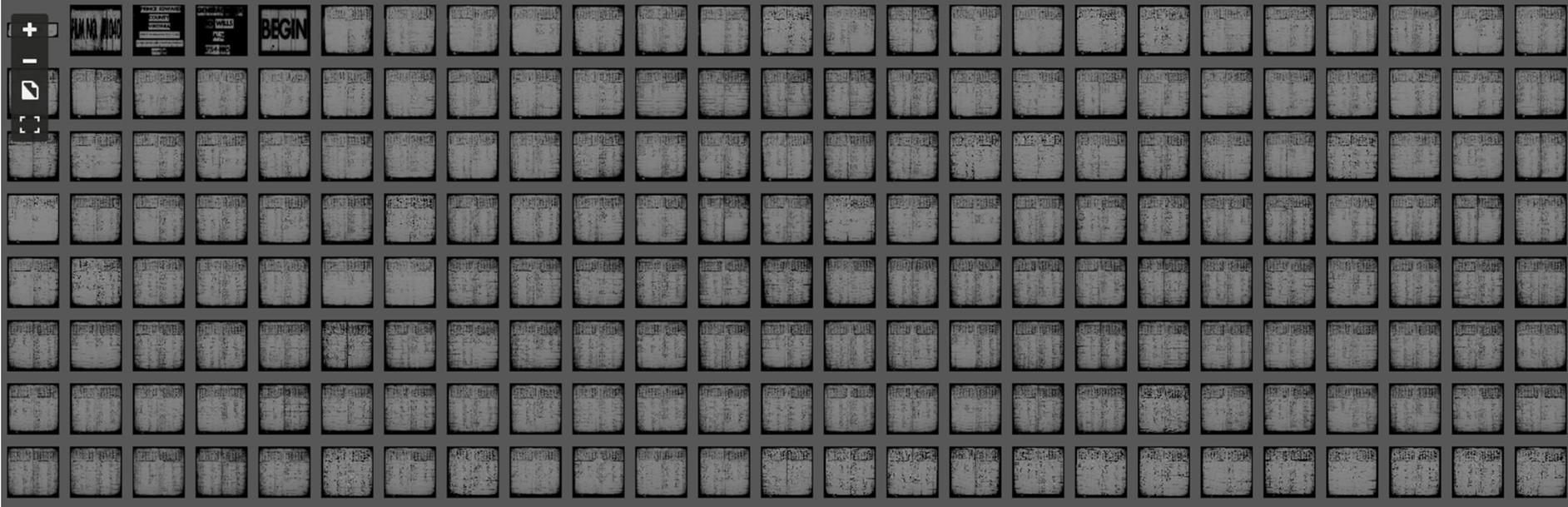
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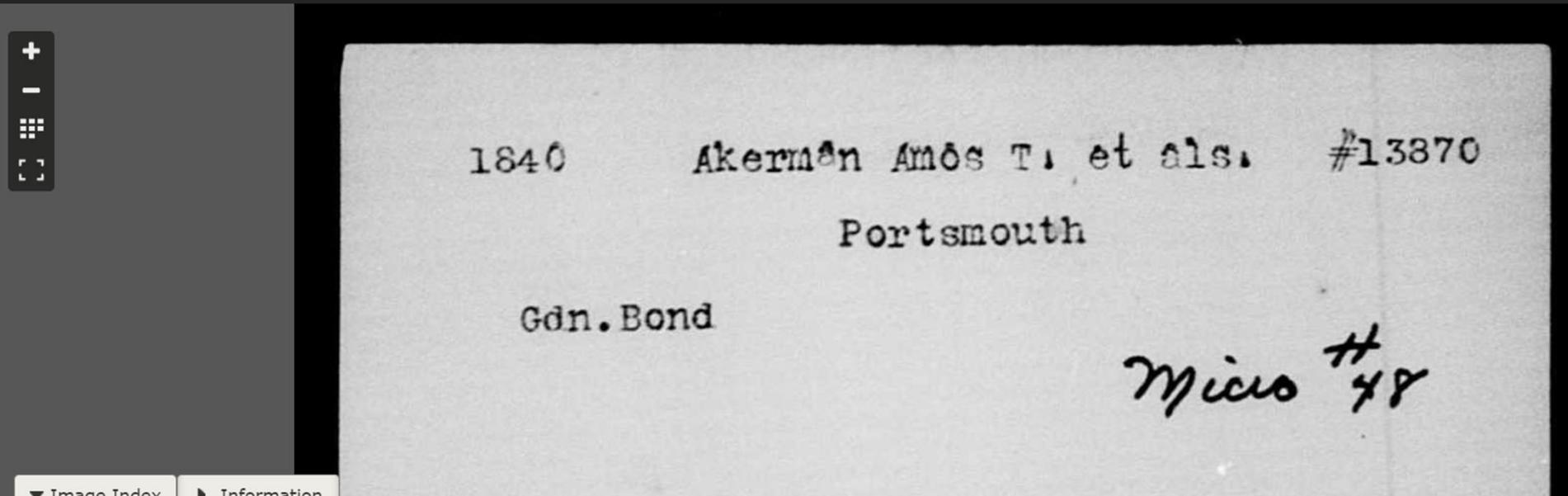
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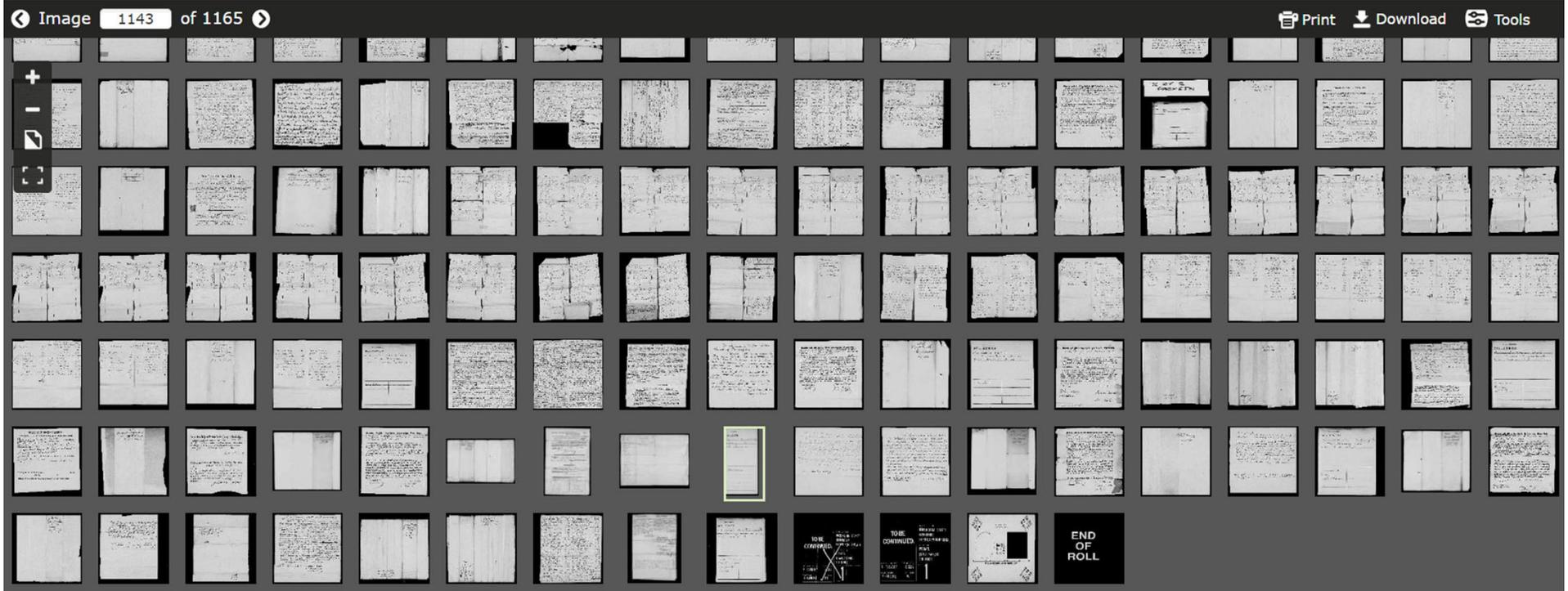
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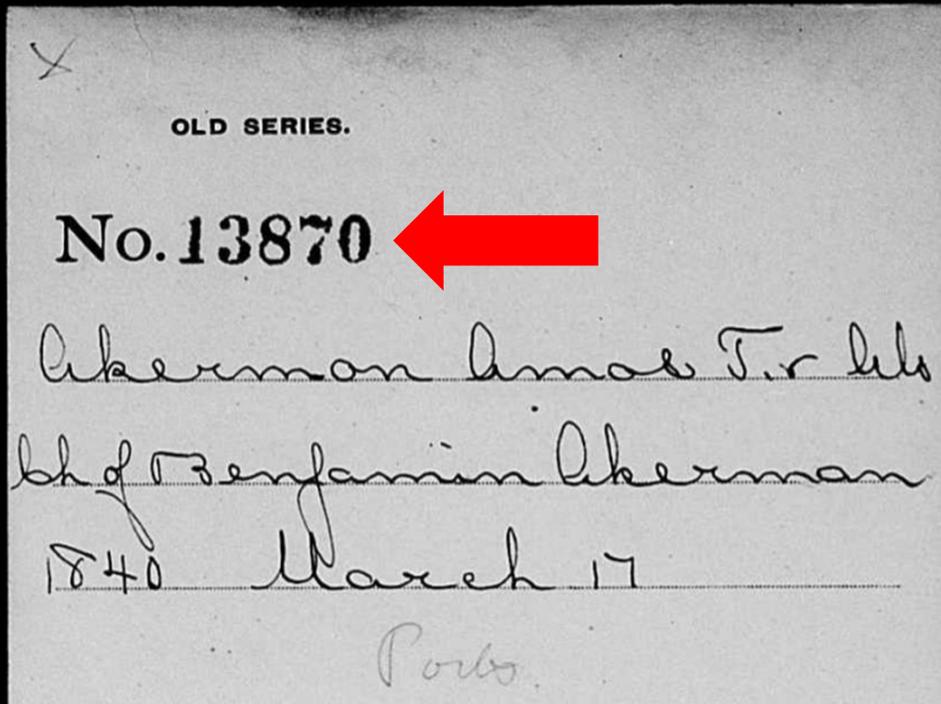
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Rockingham Co. To the Judge of Probate for the  
County of Rockingham in the State of New Hampshire

Respectfully Sheweth Amos Tappan Sherman of  
Portsmouth in said County, that he is a son of  
Benjamin Sherman of Portsmouth in said County,  
and a minor upwards of fourteen years of age, that  
he has property in said Portsmouth bequeathed to him  
by Mary Meloon late of said Portsmouth deceased,  
and that he does hereby make choice of Benjamin A-  
Sherman of Portsmouth in said County to be his guar-  
dian —

Wherefore he prays that Letters of Guardianship  
may issue to the said Benjamin Sherman accordingly.

Dated the twentieth day of March — A. D. 1840.

Amos T. Sherman  
Witness, William G. Perry.

## Guardianship Petition (1840)

# Locating Irish Records

# Irish Probate Records

- National Archives
  - Pre 1858 (mostly indexes, most lost in Four Courts fire in 1922)
  - Calendar of Wills and Administration (1858 – 1920)
- PRONI (Public Record Office of Northern Ireland)
  - Will Calendars (1858 - 1900)
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### Prerogative and diocesan copies of some wills and indexes to others, 1596 – 1858

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Before 1858, grants of probate and administration were made by the courts of the Church of Ireland (the Prerogative Court and the Diocesan or Consistorial Courts). Almost all of the original records were destroyed in the Public Record Office in 1922. Most of what appears on this site are indexes to the original wills.

For the pre-1858 ecclesiastical courts, will books containing copies of the originals survive for the Prerogative Court (1664-1684, 1706-1708, 1726-1728, 1728-1729, 1777, 1813 and 1834) and some Diocesan Courts – Connor (1818-1820 and 1853-1858) and Down (1850-1858). The will books for Armagh, Belfast and Londonderry are in the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland.

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**Diocese name** Armagh

**District** Armagh

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**Forename** Owen

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Pre-1858 Calendar of Wills (county Monaghan)



## Calendars of Wills and Administrations 1858 - 1920

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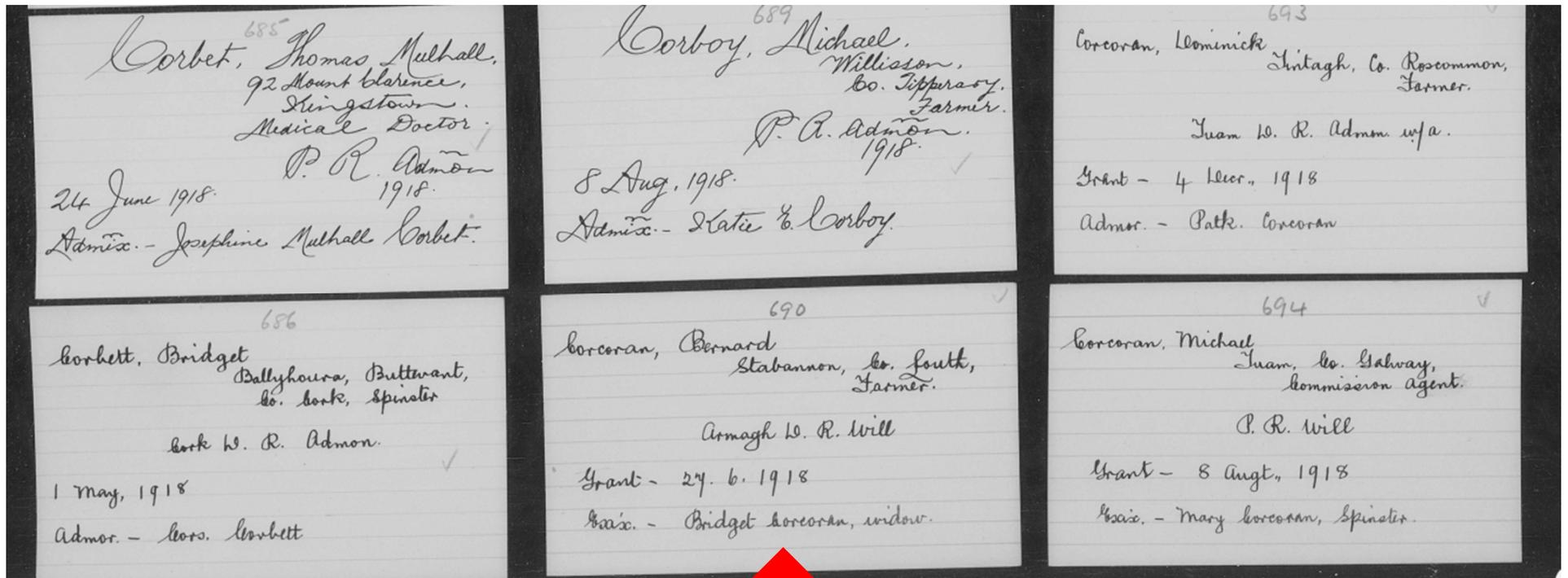
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In the name of the most Holy and Undivided Trinity. I Bernard Corcoran Farmer of Stabannon being of sound mind do make this as my last Will and Testament, hereby revoeking any former Will made by me. I bequeath to my Wife Bridget all the land that I at present possess in Stabannon and I appoint as sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament my Wife Bridget. In Witness of this as my last Will and Testament I hereunto set my hand this fourteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (1917)

— Bernard <sup>his</sup> X <sub>marks</sub> Corcoran —

Signed by the Testator Bernard Corcoran as his last Will and Testament in our presence who in his presence and in presence of each other

# Bernard Corcoran's Will

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**Peculiar courts:** Peculiar courts, manor courts, or other special courts had limited jurisdiction over small areas (sometimes just one parish). Most of England was not within the jurisdiction of any peculiar court.

**Archdeaconry courts:** Archdeaconries were divisions of a Church of England diocese, and Archdeaconry courts were common probate jurisdictions in most dioceses. However, the diocese of York was divided into rural deaneries.

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Courts such as Court of the Dean and Chapter or Court of the Cathedral often acted on the bishop's behalf. Records for these cases are often filed with their own court records.

**Prerogative Courts:** The prerogative courts of York and Canterbury had jurisdiction when the deceased's property was in more than one diocese.

The [Prerogative Court of Canterbury](#), the highest court of all, was used for wills of testators who died or owned property outside of England, foreigners who owned property in England, military personnel, persons having property in more than one probate jurisdiction, and often for wealthier individuals.

If a court's decision was disputed, additional records may be found among later records of the same court or in a court of higher jurisdiction.

**Courts of appeal:** There were three general courts of appeal. Appeals from the Prerogative Court of Canterbury were to the Court of Arches (of Canterbury). Appeals from the [Prerogative Court of York](#) were to the Chancery Court of the Archbishop of York, then to the Prerogative Court of Canterbury. Final appeals from all courts were to the Pope until 1533 and then to the Court of Delegates until 1831. After 1831 final appeals were made to the Privy Council.

Records of the Court of Arches start in 1660. Many of this court's records are available on microfiche and are indexed in The Index Library. (Family History Library book [942 B4b](#), v. 85.)

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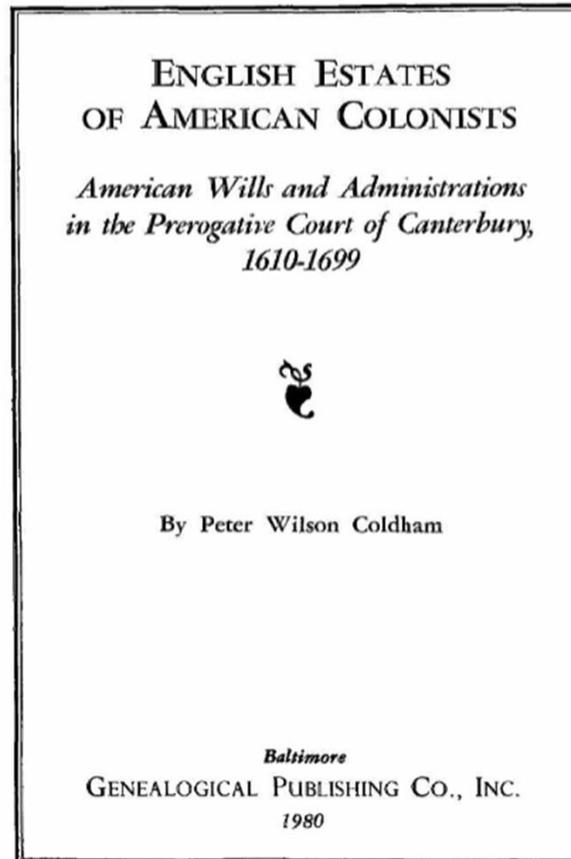
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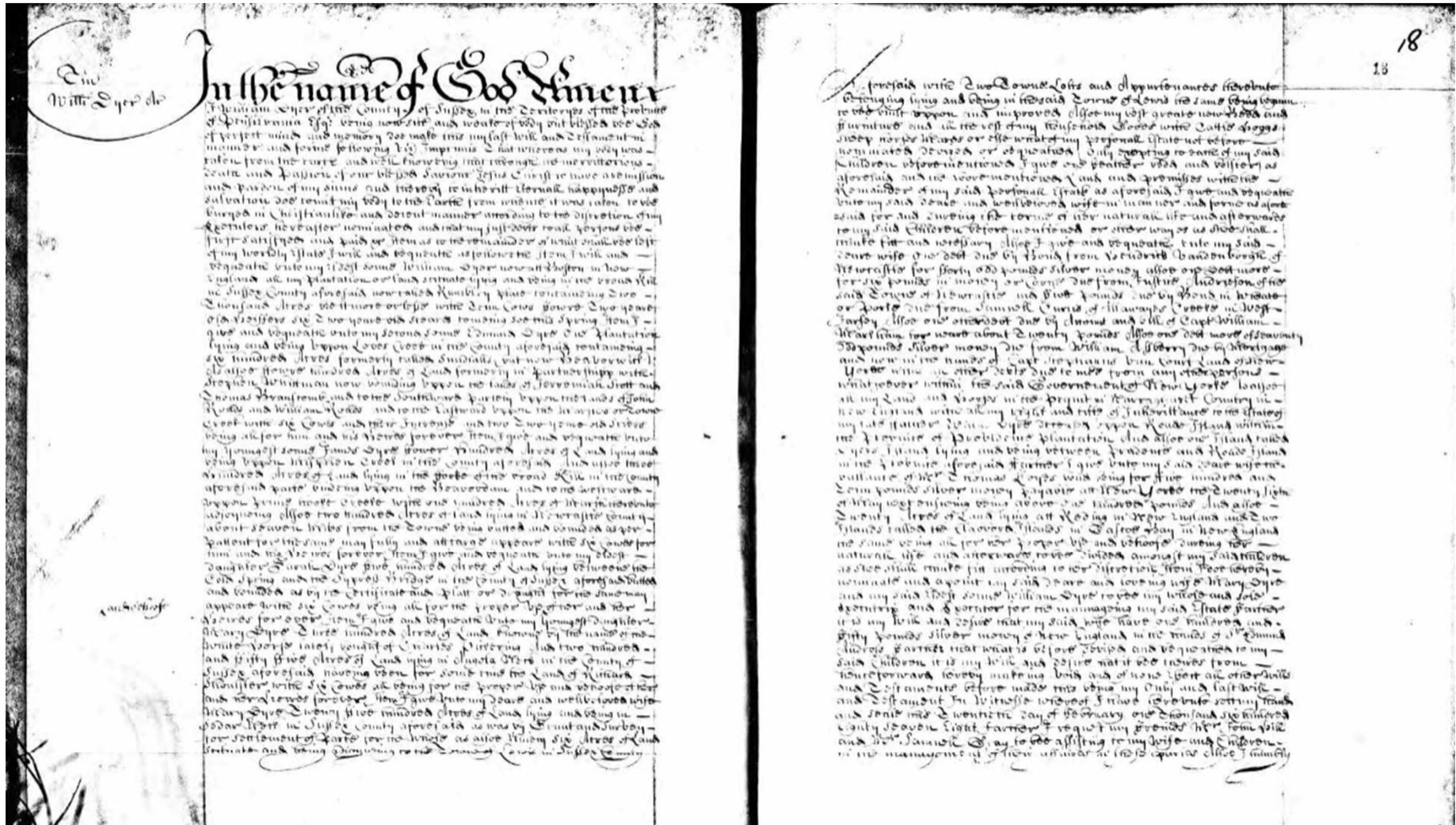
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*Ar* In the name of God Amen  
I William Dyer of the County of Suffe in the Territories of the Province  
of Pennsylvania Esq: being now sick and weak of body but blessed with God  
of perfect mind and memory do make this my last will and Testament in  
manner and forme following viz) Inprimis That whereas my body was  
taken from the earth and well knowing that through the meritorious  
deathe and Passion of our blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to have a remission  
and pardon of my sinns and thereby to inherit eternall happynesse and  
salvation doe commit my body to the earth from whence it was taken to bee  
buried in Christianlike and devout manner according to the direction of my  
Executors hereafter nominated and that my just debts to all persons bee  
first satisfied and paid or Item as to the remainder of what shall bee left  
of my worldly Estate I will and bequeath as followeth Item I will and

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