

# A Guide to the Surry County (Va.) Wills, 1760-1913

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## Descriptive Summary

### Barcode numbers

7442539, 7442542

### Language

English

### Collector

Surry County (Va.) Circuit Court.

### Physical Characteristics

.90 cu. ft. (2 boxes)

### Location

Library of Virginia

**Repository**

The Library of Virginia

## Administrative Information

**Access Restrictions**

There are no restrictions.

**Use Restrictions**

There are no restrictions.

**Acquisition Information**

These items are photocopies of original documents found in Surry County Courthouse.

**Preferred Citation**

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## Adjunct Descriptive Data

## Related Material

Additional Surry County Wills can be found on microfilm at the Library of Virginia. Consult ["A Guide to Virginia County and City Records on Microfilm"](#) found on the Library of Virginia web site.

Surry County is one of Virginia's Lost Records Localities. Additional Surry County Court Records may be found in the Virginia Lost Records Localities Collection at the Library of Virginia. Search the [Lost Records Localities Database](#) found at the Library of Virginia web site.

## Historical Information

Surry County was named for the county of Surrey in England, and was formed for James City County about 1652.

Surry was created in 1652. Order books for 1718-1741 and various other early volumes are fragmentary. Most loose records prior to 1806 are missing. Courthouse fires in 1906 and 1922, however, did not result in loss of records, which were then housed in a separate clerk's office.

## Scope and Content

Wills, 1760-1913 of Surry County Court. Wills records the deceased's plan for how his or her estate was to be divided among his or her heirs following his or her death. Information commonly recorded in wills include the name of the deceased, also referred to as the testator; names of heirs; a listing of real and personal property (including slaves) and how it was to be divided among the heirs; names of individuals who were to be the will's executors; the date will was written; and the date will was recorded at the court house.

This collection contains photocopies of Surry County. Also included are photocopies of unrecorded wills in Surry County dated 1812 through 1911. There are photocopies of wills recorded in Henrico, Isle of Wight, Northampton, Southampton, and Sussex Counties. There are photocopies of wills recorded in the Cities of Norfolk and Richmond. There are a photocopy of a will recorded in Massachusetts and and a photocopy of a will recorded in New York.

## Index Terms

### Corporate Names:

Surry County (Va.) Circuit Court.

### Geographical Names:

Surry County (Va.)--History.

## Genre and Form Terms:

Wills--Massachusetts--Hampden County.

Wills--New York--Chautauqua County.

Local government records--Virginia--Surry County.

Wills--Virginia--Surry County.

## Arrangement

Alphabetical

## Contents List

### **Barcode number 7442539: Wills, A-R**

#### **Scope and Content**

Box 1 has photocopies of Surry County Wills for the surnames A through R.

### **Barcode number 7442542: Wills**

#### **Scope and Content**

Box 2 has photocopies of Surry County Wills for the surnames S through W. There are photocopies of Surry County unrecorded wills for the years 1812-1911. There are photocopies of wills recorded in Henrico, Isle of Wight, Northampton, Southampton, and Sussex Counties. There are photocopies of wills recorded in the Cities of Norfolk and Richmond. There is a photocopy of a will recorded in Massachusetts and a photocopy of a will recorded in New York.