

Certificates & Searches Ltd.

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Our Ref:-RHOD02/201

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Dear Mr. Rhodes,

Searches before Civil Registration

Searches before 1837 are based on parish records, local records and wills. It is relatively difficult to trace individuals unless they were wealthy, and the searches can be time consuming. However, when families are located they frequently remain in the same area of the country, and can be traced in the same parish.

The key to success is to work from one record at a time, backwards from known or proven facts.

Fee: \$0.00

PCC Will Search for Thomas George RHODES

Entries noted:-

1746 RHODES Joseph	Pts (i.e. died abroad)
1749 RHODES Mary	Nottingham (Will)
1749 RHODES Elizabeth	Devon (Will)
1749 RHODES Isaac	London (Admon)

We were unable to locate any entries for Thomas (George) RHODES.

There does not appear to be a Will for this individual at the PCC. It would be worth trying to look for a Will proved at a local (County) Court but you will need to provide details of where the individual died and where any property he owned was located. If you know any more precise details of this Will of course this will be helpful too.

Fee: \$15.75

Directory Search (10 years) RHODES & HEAD Builders ?

Baileys British Directory

1784 No trace of RHODES or HEAD

The Guildhall Library, which holds the most complete set of Directories for the entire country, has no directory for Bridgnorth for the years 1785-1810.

Fee: \$8.50

Search of the Filbey & Meyer Index to Emigrants

Entries noted:-

RHODES	John	-	America 1758	1222*
	John	22yr	Maryland 1774	2128 & 9151*
	John	36yr	Maryland 1774	2128 & 9151*
	Thomas	-	America 1773	1223*

* 1222 & 1223 = "English Convicts in Colonial America"
2128 = "Emigrants from England 1773-1776"

The Filbey & Meyer volumes are a consolidated index of emigrants to America drawn from hundreds of sources including published books & records held in repositories both in the UK and in the US. You may be able to follow up the references given above yourself in the US.

Time charged: 1hr

Fee: \$25.00

Census Searches

The earliest useful census record is 1841. The first census was taken in 1811, although it was purely statistical, and no names were recorded.

There are alternative records, mostly relating to taxes that can be searched c1750.

Fee: \$0.00

Cecil RHODES family

The best method of linking the two families, is first to take your own lines as far back as possible. It is then possible to trace certain RHODES lines back down to find more recent family members. A biography of Cecil RHODES is likely to reveal some of his ancestry, and may then fit into your own tree. It would not be worthwhile, at this stage, researching the tree of Cecil RHODES.