

AN EXPLANATION FOR MEDIEVAL AND TUDOR WILLS


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To view the Wills database point to TABLES and click MEDIEVAL WILLS from the drop-down menu.




The database will appear as a series of records. An asterisk in each of the green column headings denote whether that field is searchable, and clicking on each one arranges contents ascending or descending - signified by an upward or downward pointing triangle respectively.


The Search Bar will accept any names, dates or terms and has options for entering multiple terms. The page selection buttons will move through pages of batched records - one page up or down, or to the beginning and end of the whole database or selection. There are also options to export data to Word or Excel files.


To view an individual record, click the magnifying glass button on the extreme right hand side of each one 


The column names of a record's table are:

- Column 1 - **Will (*)** - our reference number.
- Column 2 - **Surname (*)** - self-explanatory.
- Column 3 - **Given name (*)** - first name + such addition as 'the elder'.
- Column 4 - **Occupation (*)** - their status in life or job.
- Column 5 - **Years (*)** - the date/s of the will.
- Column 6 - **Will number (*)** - archive information.

- Column 7 - **Volume (*)** - archive information.
- Column 8 - **Folio (*)** - archive information.
- Columns 9, 10, 11, 12 - **Beneficiaries (*)** - their names and relationship to the testator.
- Column 13 - **Other named (*)** - anyone else whose name is given in the will.
- Column 14 - **Executor (*)** - the name/s and relationship/s of those executing the will.
- Column 15 -  - clicking on this will show you the individual record.
- Column 16 -  - for editors only.
- Column 17 -  - for editors only.

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