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Chapter 1 : A Milam Family History

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American Wills and Administrations in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, " states in part: You may read about this important discovery [here link](#). Read the details [here link](#). Since such servants were not paid a wage during their 4 - 7 years of indenture, they had to borrow money to get started and frequently fell behind in the payment of their land lease or the money they owed to merchants. Thomas Milam Signed his Indenture with his Mark: The spellings of their surnames were at the whim of the attorney or Clerk of Court. This is how award winning author, David Hackett Fischer, described the immigrants to Virginia in his best selling book, *Bound Away: Virginians came in greater numbers from both higher and lower ranks. Only about 30 percent were artisans. Most were unable to read or write You can see why he and his rank were referred to as Dandies. There was no disgrace in this life. Andrew Johnson to a tailor and Millard Fillmore to a clothmaker. Incidentally, Oliver Milam of www. It was long believed that John Milam Sr and Thomas Milam were brothers primarily because of their similar age and their eventual location in the Piedmont of Virginia. It turns out that all these early Virginia Milams are genetically related. He has a very different Haplogroup: But for now, in , this is what we know. After Thomas removed to Bedford County in , I researched the county records there. All together I have read the court records in the counties where Thomas and his sons lived from through This led me to search for the exact location of his property in these counties and to discover his wife, Mary Rush, and her father, William Rush IV, a County Constable who farmed just to the southeast of Thomas. You may view his land plats on a current map by clicking [here image](#). My history of the Rush family of Westmoreland County may be found under the Rush Family tab or by clicking [here link](#). The photos at the top of this page show in the distance the north side of Doubletop Mountain where Thomas Mylam had acres along the "south fork of the Robinson River", present day Rose River. The summit of Doubletop is just right of center. If you hover your mouse over it, a second photo appears which was taken from the summit of Old Rag Mountain looking south to Doubletop. On the far left, East, where Doubletop descends to join the Robinson River valley lies the land of the Rush brothers, William and Benjamin. The summit of Doubletop is at the far right, West. In the foreground running the width of the photo is the south slope of Old Rag. All the words in bold type face are links to photographs, maps or word definitions in the Glossary. I urge you to explore by left clicking on them. Once you have clicked a link, it will be displayed in dark red type. Some of the images have "rollâ€”overs" whereby, if you hover your cursor over the image, a second image appears - as above. In the case of historical documents, the second image will be a typed transcription of the colonial script as demonstrated here. Citations are enclosed within brackets [] and are found on the Citation link under Resources. Since the spelling of the "Milam" name often varies even within a single document, I will sometimes revert to the generic "Milam" rather than using the various spellings. Try clicking on " Will " image in the text above and this word: Hogshead - be sure to click "Image" at the end of this definition too.*

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Prerogative Court of Canterbury: Wills of Selected Famous Persons. The National Archives, Kew, England. Prior to 12 January 1534, wills in England and Wales were proved in ecclesiastical courts. This indexed collection contains images of wills as they were copied into the registers of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury PCC. The PCC, for the most part, handled probates from southern England and Wales, for individuals who owned property in both the Province of York and the Province of Canterbury, or those who died outside of England and Wales. Most of the wills in this collection will be for members of the middle and upper classes. Historical Background In the earliest days covered by these records, wills could be written for males beginning at age 14 and females at age 12. The ecclesiastical court system had several levels. Groups of parishes made up deaneries, which were in turn grouped to form archdeaconries. Those with little wealth or property would also likely have had the estate processed in this court. Archdeaconries were grouped into dioceses, which were overseen by bishops. These dioceses fell in one of two provinces—the Province of York or the Province of Canterbury. Property that fell in multiple dioceses in the more southern sections of England and Wales—or if the testator owned property in both provinces—would have been probated in the PCC. There were other reasons for people choosing to have wills proven in the PCC. For example a Nonconformist might not want to be brought to the attention of local clergy and so might opt for the higher court. What You May Find in the Records Wills provide a name, date, and place for the testator, which is always important information. But they can also be a source for family relationships, providing names of spouses and children and sometimes even parents. They may also give some clues about the relationship between the testator and an heir in the instructions given or items bequeathed. Make note of the executor and witnesses to the will as well. These might be family members or neighbors. Keep in mind that the location of the court was dependent on the location of the property being devised, not the residence or place of death of the testator. The piece description for earlier registers will typically contain the surname of the first testator in the book. While most of the documents are in English, the handwriting in old documents can be very difficult to read. In addition the probate section of the will be in Latin. For more information on wills and probate, see The National Archives website. Browse this collection Browse Individual Records in this Title To browse this image set, select from the options below.

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Supreme Court of Judicature , in It can be used to advantage in conjunction with his American wills proved in London, Baltimore, When a will was proved by the Prerogative Court of Canterbury a copy of the will was made. The copy was attached by a pendent seal to the probate act, and the conjoined documents were returned to the executor. The probate act was the commission in the name of the archbishop of Canterbury authorising the executor to administer and distribute the estate in accordance with the terms of the will. A record of the issue of the probate act was made in the probate act book. The copy wills and probate acts do not ordinarily survive among the records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury. However if a grant of probate was revoked or an executor later renounced his or her responsibilities then the copy wills and probate acts would be returned to the registry, and may now be found among the exhibit series of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury. If a testator appointed more than one person as executor, and the different executors were unable to apply for probate and take the oath at the same time, the Court might issue a grant of probate to the first executor reserving power to grant probate to the other executor or executors. When the other executor sought probate the grant was known as a grant of double probate. If there were three executors a grant of treble probate might be made. Administration with will annexed: If a testator left a valid will but the executor appointed in the will refused to act, or was unable to do so, a court with probate jurisdiction could issue letters of administration with will annexed. An executor might be unable to act because he or she had predeceased the testator, because he or she was a minor, or because he or she was incapacitated by lunacy or imbecility. An administrator would be appointed in accordance with the laws of intestacy except that a residuary legatee might be granted administration in preference to the next of kin , but he or she would be required to distribute the estate in accordance with the terms of the will. The administrator with will annexed would be issued with letters of administration annexed by seal to a copy of the will, and a record of the grant would be made in the probate act book. The executors were granted probate limited to that part of the estate which was held within the province. Such grants of probate become increasingly common in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries because of the extensive investment by overseas nationals in Bank of England stock. The executors of such wills had to seek probate in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, limited to the property within the province of Canterbury. Where a testator was himself or herself acting as an executor at the time of his or her death, he or she might appoint by will a third party to complete the distribution of the estate under administration, in which case the third party would be granted probate limited to the estate that the testator was administering as an executor. Limited grants of probate and limited letters of administration with will annexed granted before are generally to be found at the front of the section for the month in which they were passed. From they are entered either in one group at the beginning or end of the different seat sections of the books, or at the beginning of the appropriate monthly sub-sections for the seat in question. If an executor died or renounced executorship before the estate had been fully distributed the court would issue letters of administration with will annexed de bonis non administratis of goods not administered. In the case of letters of administration with will annexed de bonis non administratis an entry would be made in the probate act book, and cross references to the latter grant would usually be made in the margin of the probate act book alongside the entry for the original grant of probate, and in the margin of the will register alongside the registration of the will. If a testator had a complex estate with a multiplicity of rights and interests in property, some of which were perhaps subject to litigation in other courts, there might be a succession of different grants of letters of administration with will annexed de bonis non administratis extending over a period of some years after the will was first proved. In such circumstances an estate might also be subject to a grant of limited letters of

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administration with will annexed de bonis non administratis. In such grants the administrators with will annexed were granted the right to distribute the estate limited to a specific provision of the will. Frequently such provisions related to property held on trust, which the limited administrator was interested in either as a beneficiary or as a trustee. Probate grants were issued to executors appointed by will, authorising the executors to administer and distribute the personal estates of the deceased testators in accordance with the terms of the wills. If an entry in a probate act book says that an executor or administrator with will annexed was sworn by commission this means that he or she was unable to come to the court to take the oath, and it was administered by commissioners near the place of residence of the executor or administrator with will annexed. In such instances proctors acting for the executors or administrators with will annexed sought the grant, and a surrogate of the judge of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury issued a warrant authorising the issue of a commission to swear the executor or administrator with will annexed. The commissions appointing the commissioners, usually ministers of the Church of England, were returned to the court after the oath had been administered. Have you found an error with this catalogue description? Let us know Which field contains the error? What is the error? What is the correct information? Have you seen this error elsewhere? Please provide reference details optional Your details If you provide contact details, we will be in touch about your request within 10 working days.

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