

HOW TO PAGE

We hope the following will be helpful.

The example being used is a search for a Coroner's Inquest for Milton Haxton.

SUGGESTION: Print this page to make it easier to follow the steps.

Steps 1-6

1. **Click Archives Cumberland County** at the very top of this page to return to the Archives web page.

2. **Click Archival Holdings** on the Archives home page.

3. **Click Browse Record Groups.**

Records managed by the Archives are organized by the County Office or Department that created the records or transferred them to the Archives. The Record Groups are listed alphabetically.

4. **Click an Office or Department from the list** to see the Record Series titles for that Office or Department. These are records that have been processed by the Archives to some level for viewing on the website.

Note: Originally Coroner Inquests were filed with the Clerk of Courts.

A synopsis of a Record Series title includes

- 1) Description of the content in general
- 2) Dates covered
- 3) Format (Volumes, Papers, Microfilm, Electronic, Objects)
- 4) Location (where the records are stored)

5. **Click a Record Series title** for a listing of what processed records for a Record Series you may be interested in.

*Example: Record Group :Clerk of Courts
Record Series title: Coroner Inquests
Click Coroner Inquests*

Detailed information for a Record Series title includes

- 1) Description: the general content of the Record Series
- 2) Arrangement: how the records are organized (chronological, alphabetical, etc.).
- 3) Index: if an index is available.
- 4) Related/Corresponding Records: other Records Series that can contain similar information

6. TO VIEW A LIST OF INDIVIDUAL DOCUMENTS IN A RECORD SERIES TITLE.

Step 6 for a Record Series title in [paper format](#).

Example: A search for a Coroner's Inquest for Milton Haxton.

Record Group: Clerk of Courts

Record Series title: Coroner Inquests

Inventory: Name of Deceased column heading

1. Click Inventory.

Column headings will vary for different Record Series titles, but all column headings are sortable by clicking on the column heading.

Example: Coroner Inquests: Click the "Name of Deceased" column heading to look for a name. Haxton will be on page 14 using the page counter above the column headings.

2. If a camera icon or the word Image appears in the Image column, the actual document can be viewed. **Click** on the camera icon or the word Image.

Step 6 for a Record Series title in **volume format**.

NOTE: There are very few volumes that have been scanned for web site viewing.

Example: Record Group : Clerk of Courts

Record Series title: Slave and Slave Owners Register Holdings

1. Click Holdings.

2. A list of the volumes in this Record Series title will appear.

There are two (2) volumes in the Record Series *Slave and Slave Owners Register*.

3. **Click** the camera icon or word Image in the "Image" column to view the registers.

If you are still having difficulty navigating the website, contact the Archives:

717-240-7886 or e-mail at www.archives@cumberlandcountypa.gov

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