

# Guide to Maryland County/Regional Resources at the Maryland Historical Society

## What resources are available for specific counties and how do I find them?

Most of the published county resources available at the Maryland Historical Society can be located in section MF187 of the Rhodes Reading Room (the row farthest from the reference desk). Books on specific counties or regions of Maryland are arranged alphabetically by county beginning with Allegany County in the northeast stacks and continuing across the room in the southeast stacks of the Reading Room. Some records are also available on microfilm or in pamphlet form. Patrons may access microfilm and those books on the first floor of the Rhodes Reading Room themselves; however, pamphlets must be retrieved by the staff. Since searching the Library's on-line catalogue by county name would result in too many hits, we have listed below some of the most popular resources for each county. **Please note that this is not an inclusive list**, just an example of the types of records available for each county and where you might find them. If you are interested in a particular type of record, you can search the Library's on-line catalog using specific key words.

### CAROLINE COUNTY (CA) – formed in 1773 from Dorchester and Q. Anne's Counties

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## I. Published County Histories

- *Origins of Caroline County* (MF187.C2H81)
- *History of Caroline County* (MF187.C2H67)

## II. Vital Records – Birth, Death, Marriage

- *Marriage Licenses of Caroline County, Maryland: 1774-1815* (MF187.C2C89)
- *Caroline County, Maryland, Marriage Licenses, 1826-1865*, compiled by Dorothy H. Baird, Louise A. Scott (PAM 11,482)
- *Caroline County Marriages-Births-Deaths, 1850-1880: Abstracts of Newspapers, Federal Mortality Schedules and Court Records*, by F. Edward Wright (PAM 11,399)
- *Caroline County, Maryland, Marriage Licenses, 1774-1825 and a Short History of Caroline County, St. Michaels, 1969* (PAM 10,247)
- *Index to Caroline County Wills, 1680-1817* (MF187.C2S628)
- *Wills of Caroline County, 1688-1799 and 1800-1853* (MF187.C2K26)

## III. Church and Cemetery Records/Histories

- *Tombstone inscriptions: Caroline County, Maryland* (PAM 1253)
- *Cemeteries of Caroline County Maryland* (MF187.C2U69B)

## IV. Land, Deed, Tax, and Other Records

- *Caroline County Maryland Land Records, A-E 1774-1797 and F-K 1797-1813* (MF187.C2L581)
- *Caroline County 1860 Census* (MF187.C2W947)
- *Caroline County Militia in the War of 1812* (MF187.C2.W949C)
- *Revolutionary Patriots of Caroline County* (MF187.C2P371R)

## V. Related Manuscript Collections

- *John Leeds Bozman Papers, 1788-1808*; lawyer of Talbot and Caroline Counties; commonplace book with notes on various subjects, including slavery; genealogical information (MS1934)
- *Willoughby Family of Caroline County, 1776-1983* (MS2931)
- *James White Cyphering Book, 1790*; student in Caroline County (2592)
- *Nine Bridges Store Day Book, 1817-1818*; store in Bridgetown, Caroline County (MS619)
- *Records, 1783-1827*; includes poll list of 2<sup>nd</sup> district of Caroline County for 1800, 1845 tax list for Caroline County, etc. (MS199)
- *Johns Methodist Episcopal Church Register, 1895-1912*; merged with Mt. Pleasant Church and Zoar Church to form Mt.

- Cavalry Church in Preston, MD (Caroline County) (MS2572)
- *States and Counties of Maryland Records*, 1663-1852; includes some Caroline County land records (MS1117)
  - *Tax Lists*, 1798-1805; includes Caroline County (MS807 on Micro); see finding aid at <http://www.mdhs.org/library/mss/ms000807.html>

## VI. Maps and Atlases

- *Caroline County Street Map* (MG1273.C2A4)
- *The 1877 Atlases and Other Early Maps of the Eastern Shore of Maryland* (Ref. MG1271.E1G7)