

Legacy 9 Unlocked (part 8): The Smoking Gun

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Summary of Steps: Adding an Obituary

1. Create the To Do item and perform the research.
2. Set up the source clipboard.
3. Analyze and add the new data, creating the custom "obituary" event, and sourcing as you go.
4. Close/complete the To Do item.
5. Plan for future research.
6. File the paper document, if applicable.

Citation of following record

Ancestry.com, "Historical Newspapers, Birth, Marriage, & Death Announcements 1851-2003," database, Ancestry.com (<http://www.Ancestry.com> : accessed 18 Feb 2016), Elizabeth Williams obituary, 26 Jul 1926 edition of the New York Times; citing The New York Times, New York, NY, USA: The New York Times, 1851-2001.

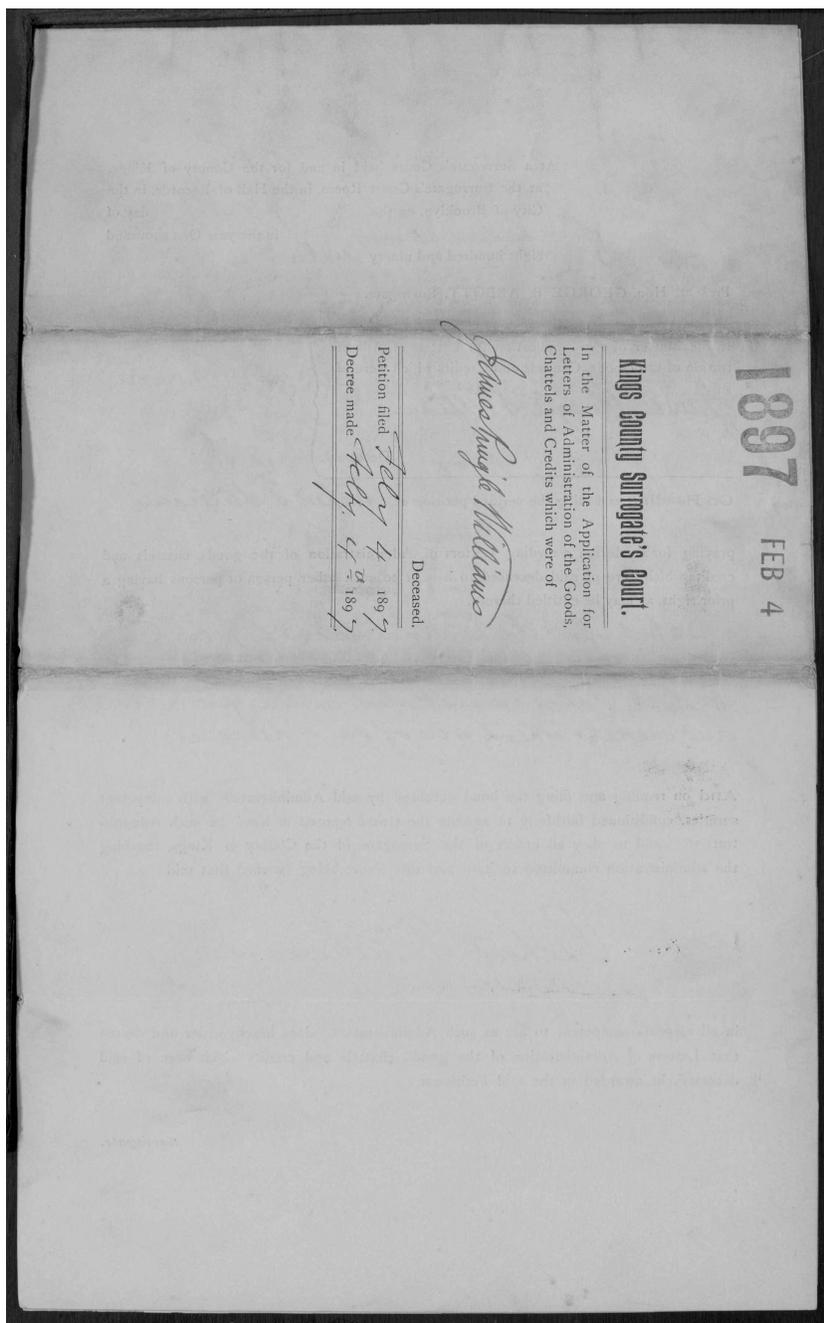
WILLIAMS—On Saturday, July 24, 1926, at her residence, 2,040 7th Av., New York City, Elizabeth, daughter of the late John and Eleanor Williams and sister of the late John O. Williams. Funeral services at the Central Congregational Church chapel, Hancock St. and Franklin Av., Brooklyn, Monday at 2:30 P. M.

Summary of Steps: Adding Estate/Probate records

1. Create the To Do item and perform the research.
2. Set up the source clipboard.
3. Analyze and add the new data, sourcing as you go.
4. Close/complete the To Do item.
5. Plan for future research.
6. File the paper document, if applicable.

Citation of following records

Kings County, New York, County Estate Files, 1866-1923, images 49-53, James Pringle Williams administration, 1897; digital images, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, FamilySearch (<http://www.familysearch.org> : accessed 27 Feb 2016).



KINGS COUNTY SURROGATE'S COURT.

In the Matter of the Application for Letters of Administration of the Goods, Chattels and Credits which were of

James Pringle Williams
late of the City of Brooklyn
Deceased.

TO THE SURROGATE'S COURT OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS.

THE PETITION OF *Richard T. Williams*

respectfully shows :

That your Petitioner is a resident of ^{Grand} *Hotel Vendome, Broadway corner of 31st Street* in the City of ~~Brooklyn~~ ^{New York}, and is a brother, and one of the next of kin of the said *James Pringle Williams* deceased, and is of full age.

That said deceased departed this life at *Passaic, Passaic County, N. J.* where he was temporarily sojourning on the *second* day of *December* 1895, and was at, or immediately previously to his death, a resident of the County of Kings, and unmarried;

That your Petitioner has made diligent search and inquiry for a will of said deceased, and has not found any, or obtained any information that he left any; and therefore alleges upon information and belief that said deceased died without leaving any Last Will and Testament.

That said deceased died a natural death, and that your Petitioner saw the remains of said deceased after his death.

That said deceased at the time of his death was possessed and the owner of certain personal property the value of which does not exceed the sum of _____

Ten hundred _____ Dollars,

That said deceased at the time of his death was _____ seized of real estate, the value of which is about *Twenty five hundred* _____ Dollars.

That the names of the ~~inherited widow and the~~ next of kin of the decedent, as far as they are known to your Petitioner, or can be ascertained by him with due diligence, are as follows :

Richard T. Williams, your petitioner, a brother of said deceased, residing at the Grand Hotel Vendome, Broadway corner of 31st Street in the City of New York;

John O. Williams, a brother of said deceased, residing at 284 Gates Avenue in the City of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Elizabeth E. Williams, a sister of said deceased, residing at N.º 688 Greene Avenue in the City of Brooklyn

That all of the foregoing next of kin of said deceased are of full age.

That John O. Williams, one of the next of kin aforesaid has renounced his right to letters of administration in the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, by Renunciation duly executed and acknowledged the 4th day of February, 1897.

Your Petitioner therefore prays for a decree of the Surrogate's Court of the County of Kings, awarding Letters of Administration of the goods, chattels and credits which were of said deceased to him or such other person or persons, having a prior right, as may be entitled thereto, and that all persons having a right prior or equal to that of your petitioner to such Letters of Administration, and who have not renounced, may be cited to show cause why such a decree should not be made.

Dated the 4th day of February 1897

Richard J. Williams

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
COUNTY OF KINGS, } ss.

Richard J. Williams

the above named

Petitioner being duly sworn doth depose and say, that he has read the foregoing petition subscribed by him and that the same is true of his own knowledge, except as to the matters therein stated to be alleged on information and belief, and as to those matters he believes it to be true.

Subscribed and sworn this 4th day

of February 1897

Richard J. Williams

John Hammer

Notary Public.

Commissioner of Peds

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
COUNTY OF KINGS, } ss.

I, Richard J. Williams do solemnly swear and declare that I will well, faithfully and honestly discharge the duties of Administrator of the goods, chattels and credits which were of James Hingle Williams, deceased, according to law.

Subscribed and sworn this 4th day

of February 1897

Richard J. Williams

Edmund J. Berger

Notary Public.

KINGS COUNTY SURROGATE'S COURT.

In the Matter of the Applicant for Letters of Administration
of the Goods, Chattels and Credits which were of

James Pringle Williams,
late of the City of Brooklyn, -
Deceased.

Renunciation

I, *John O. Williams,* residing
at *N^o 284 Gates Avenue,* Brooklyn, N. Y.
a brother, and one of the next of kin of *James Pringle Williams,*
late of the County of Kings, State of New York, deceased, do hereby renounce all right to
Letters of Administration on the goods, chattels and credits which were of said deceased.

Dated, the *4th* day of *February* 189*7*.

John O. Williams

State of New York,)
County of Kings.) ss.
City of Brooklyn

On this *4th* day of
February, in the year 189*7* before me personally came

John O. Williams

known to me to be the person described in, and who executed the foregoing renunciation,
and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

John Vanner
Notary Public.
Commissioner of Deeds.

At a Surrogate's Court held in and for the County of Kings,
at the Surrogate's Court Room, in the Hall of Records, in the
City of Brooklyn, on the *4th* day of
February in the year One thousand
eight hundred and ninety *seven*.

Present, Hon. GEORGE B. ABBOTT, Surrogate.

In the Matter of the Application for Letters of Adminis-
tration of the Goods, Chattels and Credits which were of

James Ringle Williams

Deceased.

On Reading and filing the verified petition of *Richard T. Williams,*

praying for a decree awarding Letters of Administration of the goods, chattels and
credits which were of said deceased to *him* or to such other person or persons having a
prior right, as may be entitled thereto,

*And upon the renunciation of John O.
Williams, filer herewith, renouncing all rights
to Letters of Administration of the goods, chattels
and credits which were of said deceased;*

And on reading and filing the bond executed by said Administrator with competent
sureties, conditioned faithfully to execute the trusts reposed in *him* as such Adminis-
trator and to obey all orders of the Surrogate of the County of Kings, touching
the administration committed to *him* and this Court being satisfied that said

Richard T. Williams is

in all respects competent to act as such Administrator, does hereby order and decree
that Letters of Administration of the goods, chattels and credits which were of said
deceased, be awarded to the said Petitioner.

George B. Abbott
Surrogate.