

## Independent Researchers

**The following list of independent specialists in Kentish family and local history research offer their services to enquirers and will usually charge a fee for any work undertaken on your behalf. Canterbury Cathedral Archives and Library are unable to recommend specifically any particular researcher.**

TNA = The National Archives, Kew

CCAL = Canterbury Cathedral Archives and Library

KHLC = Kent History and Library Centre

MALSC = Medway Archives and Local Studies Centre

IHGS = Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies

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<b>Relevant qualifications</b>	F.S.A., L.H.G.
<b>Areas of interest/expertise</b>	Medieval court & church records, especially deposition & probate records
<b>Locations that can be covered for research</b>	CCAL, KHLC & TNA and other areas by arrangement

<b>Name</b>	Margaret Lewis
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<b>Relevant qualifications</b>	Part 1 and Part 2 Certificates in Genealogy, from the Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies in Canterbury (IHGS). Record Agent Assessment (IHGS). 20 years experience of archives research
<b>Areas of interest/expertise</b>	Family history, house history and social history research. All periods covered, 15 <sup>th</sup> century to present. Will printing.
<b>Locations that can be covered for research</b>	Canterbury Cathedral Archives, all other Kent repositories, London archives and all other sources by arrangement.

<b>Name</b>	Dr Philip L.A. Newill
<b>Contact details</b>	Email: <a href="mailto:philnewill@yahoo.co.uk">philnewill@yahoo.co.uk</a>
<b>Relevant qualifications</b>	9+ years of experience in heraldry, 5+ years of experience in palaeography. Also publishes in Archaeologia Cantiana (2014 & 2016). Various heraldic studies (unpublished).
<b>Areas of interest/expertise</b>	Heraldry (coats of arms, crests, mottos, badges etc. identified), Palaeography (English, Latin; 1200s – 18000s). Feudalism.
<b>Locations that can be covered for research</b>	CCA, KHLC. Can do heraldic work via email from good quality images. Other locations may be possible.

<b>Name</b>	Elizabeth Peters
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<b>Relevant qualifications</b>	Professional genealogist with over 15 years' experience. Full Member of AGRA (Association of Genealogists & Researchers in Archives) Will printing.
<b>Areas of interest/expertise</b>	UK and Irish Family History, palaeography, 'brickwall' searches
<b>Locations that can be covered for research</b>	Canterbury Cathedral Archives & Maidstone Archives, Kent libraries

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<b>Relevant qualifications</b>	B.A. (Hons.) Diploma in Kentish Local History (Distinction)
<b>Areas of interest/expertise</b>	Poor law records especially settlement and removal; gypsies, travellers and vagrants; emigration from Kent to Australia/Canada/New Zealand. Transcription of documents of any period, including Latin. Can obtain copy documents from all Kent Archives, all types of research undertaken, from genealogy to house history.
<b>Locations that can be covered for research</b>	All Kent archives and libraries. London archives including National Archives, Kew

<b>Name</b>	Dr Sheila Sweetinburgh
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<b>Relevant qualifications</b>	MA & PhD
<b>Areas of interest/expertise</b>	Medieval civic and manorial records
<b>Locations that can be covered for research</b>	Kent

<b>Name</b>	Roots in Kent
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<b>Relevant qualifications</b>	25 year experience of working with all types of records at Canterbury, Maidstone and other Kent archives. I also arrange customised Family history holidays to the ancestral parishes of my clients.
<b>Areas of interest/expertise</b>	Family History, using all available documents including Parish material. Wills Land tax, Manorial etc. I have access to Latin transcription and am adept at Paleography
<b>Locations that can be covered for research</b>	All of Kent any period. Nationwide back to 1800. I also have reciprocal arrangements with researchers in other Counties if a client's ancestors stray across borders.



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<b>Relevant qualifications</b>	M.A., Ph.D., F.S.A., F.S.G.
<b>Areas of interest/expertise</b>	Genealogy Latin transcription and translation Missing persons and beneficiaries Historical research Various published genealogical indexes
<b>Locations that can be covered for research</b>	Kent and London