

# Wills

## Part 1

Wills and administration bonds can offer a lot of help to genealogists. However, in Ireland you need to know what is available and what exists **only** in index form. The National Archives has a good guide to Wills and Testamentary Records at:

<http://www.nationalarchives.ie/genealogy/willsandadmin.html>

*The book "Indexes to Irish Wills" edited by W. P. W. Phillimore and Gertrude Thrift, comprises five volumes in one. Each entry lists the individual's name, address, and the year the will went to probate. There are maps in the book itself, showing the locations of the dioceses. The following is a list of Sheas, Shees and O'Sheas found in each volume and the years for which there are indexed wills [\* = date of will as no probate date available].*

### Volume I

#### Diocese of Ossory, 1536-1800

Shea, Richard, Ballylarken, Co. Kilkenny 1753

Shee, Bridget, Kilkenny 1777

Shee, Christopher, Roseneany, Co. Kilkenny 1767

Shee, Denis 1741\*

Shee, Elizabeth, Sheestown, Co. Kilkenny 1703

Shee, Elizabeth, Kilkenny 1781\*

Shee, alias Duffe, Ellen, Kilkenny

Shee, Francis, Sheepstown, Co. Kilkenny 1737

Shee, James, Kilkenny 1778

Shee, Jasper, Kilkenny 1729\*

Shee, Marcus, Kilkenny 1763

Shee, Margaret, Kilkenny 1774

Shee, Michael, Grainge, Co. Kilkenny 1760\*

Shee, Nicholas, Kilkenny 1772

Shee, Nicholas, Kilkenny 1785\*

Shee, Patrick, Kilkenny, 1684

Shee, Simon, Garrandarragh, Co. Kilkenny 1699

Shee, Thomas, Grange, Co. Kilkenny 1722

Shee, Walter (Fitz Edward) Kilkenny 1650\*

Shee, William, Derrynehensy, Co. Kilkenny 1693

Shee, William, Sheepstown, Co. Kilkenny 1758

Shee, William, 1795

#### Diocese of Leighlin, 1652-1800

#### Diocese of Ferns, 1601-1800

Shea, Thomas, Kilcormuck, Co. Wexford 1781

#### Diocese of Kildare, 1661-1800

Shea, Peter, Rochestown, Co. Kildare 1791

## **Volume II**

### *Diocese of Cork & Ross, 1548-1800*

Shea, Luke, Cork 1750  
Shea, Richard, Cork 1730  
Shee, Catherine, Cork 1797  
Shee, John, Cork 1793

### *Cloyne, 1621-1800*

Shea, James 1776  
Shea, John, Kanturk 1766  
Shea, John, Cork 1795

## **Volume III**

### *Diocese of Cashel & Emly, 1618-1800*

Shee, Henry, Kilkenny City 1787  
Shee, James, Thurles 1766  
Shee, Mary, Tipperary 1775  
Shee, Thomas, Cashel 1790

### *Diocese of Waterford & Lismore, 1645-1800*

Shea, Henry, Carrick 1761  
Shee, Henry, Lisshinnenoult 1742  
Shee, Richard, Waterford 1746  
Shee, Simon, Waterford 1773

### *Diocese of Killaloe & Kilfenora, 1653-1800*

### *Diocese of Limerick, 1615-1800*

Shea, William (house carpenter), North Suburbs of Limerick 1777

### *Diocese of Ardfert & Aghadoe, 1690-1800*

## **Volume IV**

### *Diocese of Dromore, 1678-1858*

### *Exempt Jurisdiction of Newry & Mourne, 1727-1858*

## **Volume V**

### *Diocese of Derry, 1612-1858*

### *Diocese of Raphoe, 1684-1858*