Inventory of the Cuthbert Family Papers, 1764-1850
### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Cuthbert family papers  
**Date(s):** 1764-1850  
**Date(s):** (bulk 1764-1839)  
**Creator:** Cuthbert family  
**Abstract:** This collection consists of assorted legal instruments and correspondence that document the ownership of parcels of land on the Pocotaligo River, Prince Williams Parish, Beaufort District from 1764 to 1850. Known variously as Myrtle Grove, Live Oak, Providence and/or Leith plantations, they were cultivated (circa 1799) in cotton and rice, and were owned by various members of the Cuthbert, Rutledge, Palmer, Stoutenberg, Corbett, Heyward, and other families.  
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### Biographical Note

The Cuthberts were plantation owners in Prince William Parish, South Carolina. John Alexander Cuthbert (son of James Cuthbert, 1716-1776) had among his children James Cuthbert (1794-1838, who married Ann Miles), Thomas Heyward Cuthbert (1798-1840, who married Eliza N. Barnwell), and Ann Elizabeth (who married Thomas Heyward, 1789-1829; and was the mother of Thomas Savage Heyward, 1815-1889).

### Collection Overview

This collection consists of legal papers (1764-1850) related to property owned by members of the Cuthbert family in Prince William Parish, Beaufort District, South Carolina.

Papers include leases, releases, bonds, renunciation of dower, extracts of a will, letters, deeds of conveyance, deeds, a mortgage, a memorandum, and plats of Myrtle Grove, Leith (or Live Oak Exchange Plantation), and Providence plantations (surveyed by William Brailsford, John Goddard, and others).

Collection Arrangement

Arranged chronologically.

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person, family, or organization, by topical subject, by place, and by types of material.

Names
- Cuthbert family
- Rutledge family
- Palmer family
- Stoutenberg family
- Corbett family
- Heyward family

Subjects
- Plantations-South Carolina--Prince William's Parish
- Plantations-South Carolina--Beaufort District
- Land titles--Registration and transfer--South Carolina--Beaufort District
- Rice--South Carolina--Beaufort District--History
- Cotton--South Carolina--Beaufort District--History
Places
Leith Plantation (Prince William's Parish, S.C.)
Myrtle Grove Plantation (Prince William's Parish, S.C.)
Live Oak Plantation (Prince William's Parish, S.C.)
Providence Plantation (Prince William's Parish, S.C.)
Prince William's Parish (S.C.)
South Carolina--History

Types of Material
Deeds
Plats (maps)
Subpoenas

Administrative Information

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Custodial History

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Processing Information

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## Inventory

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<td>Renunciation of dower of Anne Cuthbert to Thomas Rutledge</td>
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Consent to husband's (James Cuthbert) bond by Anne Cuthbert, 1787 September 21

Release from Thomas Corbett to John A. Cuthbert, 1797 September 29

- 500 acres, Scotch Neck, Prince William Parish.

Extracts from the will of Hugh Bryan, certified by Isaac Motte Dart, 1799 February 19

Plat of Myrtle Grove Plantation, Prince William Parish, 1799 April

- 470 acres noting cotton and rice cultivation.

Plat of 520 acre plantation in Prince William Parish (immediately north of Myrtle Grove), 1799 April

- Showing rice and cotton cultivation.

Lewis and James Cuthbert vs. John Alexander Cuthbert, subpoena, 1803

Letter from C.J. Co[lcock] to John A. Cuthbert discussing the suit, 1803 September 2

Letter from C.J.Co[lcock] to Thomas Corbett, 1803 October 20

- Informing of a suit having been filed to try title on property sold by Corbett to J.A. Cuthbert.

Letter from Thomas Corbett to Henry William DeSaussure on Cuthbert Case, 1803 October 24

Commissioner in Equity for Charleston District to John Alexander Cuthbert, 1816 January 17

- 573 acres (Live Oak Exchange Plantation) in Prince Williams Parish.

Deed from John A Cuthbert to Thomas Cuthbert for Myrtle Grove Plantation, Prince Williams Parish, 1825 January 15

Deed from Thomas Cuthbert to James Cuthbert for Myrtle Grove Plantation, Prince Williams Parish, 1828 April 4

Mortgage from James Cuthbert to John A. Cuthbert for Myrtle Grove Plantation, Prince Williams Parish, 1828 April 15

Deed from Ann Miles Cuthbert, executor of James Cuthbert, to Charles Heyward for Myrtle Grove and Providence Plantations, Prince Williams Parish, 1839 August 19
Deed of confirmation, Thomas Cuthbert to Charles Heyward for sale of Providence Plantation, 1839 September 16

Release from Thomas Savage Heyward and Nathaniel Heyward to Thomas Cuthbert for their share in the property of the estate of John A. Cuthbert, Prince William Parish, 1839 October 6

Plat of Providence tract (east of Myrtle Grove and Leith), Prince Williams Parish, 1838 April

Corrected 1850 March 7.

Memorandum of title to land bought of Thomas Corbett by John AI[exander] [Cuthbert], undated