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## **Inventory of the Cuthbert Family Papers, 1764-1850**

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## Descriptive Summary

<b>Title:</b>	Cuthbert family papers
<b>Date(s)</b>	1764-1850
<b>Date(s)</b>	(bulk 1764-1839)
<b>Creator:</b>	Cuthbert family
<b>Abstract:</b>	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).

Individuals mentioned in the papers include Hugh Bryan, Ann Palmer, Charles Palmer (Ann Palmer's youngest son, a plantation owner), Mary Calder (Ann Palmer's daughter), Archibald Calder (Mary's husband and executor of Ann Palmer's estate), David Toomer (an executor of Ann Palmer's estate), C.J. Colcock (of Beaufort, S.C.), Henry William DeSaussure, Susanna Forrester (of John's Island, S.C.), Charles Heyward, Thomas Savage Heyward, Nathaniel Heyward, William Stoutenberg (a plantation owner), and William Skirving (of Charleston, S.C., executor of Stoutenberg's estate).

## Collection Arrangement

Arranged chronologically.

## Restrictions

### Access Restrictions

This collection is open for research.

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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**

**Preferred Citation**

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**Custodial History**

Collection possibly gathered in 1851 by William Henry Trescot (husband of Eliza Natalie Cuthbert) for his history of the Cuthbert family. Information may have come from Beaufort District and County Judgment Rolls.

**Processing Information**

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# Inventory

Release from James Cuthbert and Anne Cuthbert to James Rutledge, 1764 April

500 acres in Prince William Parish.

Lease from James Cuthbert to Thomas Rutledge, 1764 April 2

500 acres in Prince William Parish.

Renunciation of dower of Anne Cuthbert to Thomas Rutledge, 1764 May 22

500 acres in Prince William Parish (Myrtle Grove written in pencil).

Lease from Thomas Rutledge to Mrs. Ann Palmer, 1767 January 1

500 acres in Prince William Parish.

Bond of Thomas Rutledge to Anne Palmer, 1767 January 1

Release from Thomas Rutledge to Mrs. Ann Palmer, 1767 January 2

500 acres in Prince William Parish.

Lease from David Toomer and Archibald Calder, executors of Ann Palmer, 1773 June 25

500 acres in Prince William Parish.

Release from David Toomer and Archibald Calder, executors of Ann Palmer, 1773 June 25

500 acres in Prince William Parish.

Lease from Charles Palmer to William Stoutenburg, 1774 January 2

500 acres in Prince William Parish.

Release from Charles Palmer to William Stoutenburg

Release from William Skirving, executor of William Stoutenburg, to Thomas Cuthbert, 1786 March 21

500 acres in Prince William Parish.

Bond of James Cuthbert to Thomas Rutledge, 1787 August 14

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

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Corrected 1850 March 7.

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