

# **RESEARCHING YOUR ANCESTORS USING THE RESOURCES AND RECORDS OF THE PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE OF NORTHERN IRELAND (PRONI)**

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- The Public Record Office of Northern Ireland (PRONI) is the official archive of Northern Ireland, holding both public government records as well as a wide range of non-governmental records such as church registers, school records, workhouse registers, wills and landed estate papers.
- While its legal remit is for records for the six counties of Northern Ireland it has excellent records for the three counties which make up the historic province of Ulster as well as other records for counties in the Republic of Ireland.
- It was established in 1923 and opened to the public in 1924.
- PRONI's new building in Titanic Quarter, Belfast opened in 2011.
- Its website is [www.nidirect.gov.uk/proni](http://www.nidirect.gov.uk/proni)

## **Information leaflets**

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/information-leaflets>

## **Research Guides**

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/guides-proni-records>

## **Guide to Church Records**

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/publications/guide-church-records>

## **Index to wills, 1858-1965**

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/services/search-will-calendars>

### **Name Search database**

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/services/use-name-search-find-early-family-history-records>

### **Street Directories**

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/services/search-street-directories>

### **Valuation Revision Books**

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/services/searching-valuation-revision-books>

### **PRONI's electronic catalogue**

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/services/search-pronis-ecatalogue>

### **PRONI's YouTube channel**

<https://www.youtube.com/user/PRONIonline/videos>