Research Services: General

The staff at the South Carolina Historical Society (SCHS) is happy to assist you with your research. Please keep in mind that we are only able to search the materials held by the SCHS and even an exhaustive search may not uncover the information you are seeking. While we cannot guarantee results, we will make every effort to help you by documenting all sources consulted during our research. If an individual did not spend a significant amount of time in South Carolina, the Society may not have information pertaining to him or her. Please note that the Society does not have the censuses of South Carolina in its holdings and only abstracts from newspapers. The average length for a search is approximately six to eight weeks.

Information or Individual to be searched
Please complete as much as possible and print legibly

Information Sought (attach additional sheets as needed):
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Individuals involved: ____________________________________________________________
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Please select the type of search that you wish to have done, fill out the form, enclose your check or credit card number and send to the South Carolina Historical Society; attn: Research. 100 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC 29401. We will include up to ten (10) photocopies with your search. Should additional photocopies be appropriate, we will contact you for approval with an estimate of the total cost of additional copies and postage. Copies are .40 per page for non-members and .35 per page for members.

I.____ Unrestricted Search of all materials for a period of four (4) hours. This is the most thorough and complete search offered with access to all parts of our collections, both published and manuscript.

Research Fee: $140.00 members / $200 non-members Circle one

II._____ Search the specified sources. If you wish to have a more focused search made, please check below and specify the sources you would like examined.

I authorize a researcher to spend (1/2 hour to 2 hours) ________ hour(s) on this search.

Research Fee per Hour: $35.00 members / $50.00 non-members Circle one

Total fee $__________________

Please select sources to be checked:

______Check of the Society's Vertical Files (30-4) which consist of Family History and Genealogical Research

______Check of the Society's Subject Vertical Files that may pertain to research topic

______Manuscript Collections of the South Carolina Historical Society

______The South Carolina Historical Magazine, indexed

______Relevant county or district publications: __________________________ county

______Military records for a specific war: ___________________________ time frame

______Parish Records: ___________________________ parish

______Charleston City Directories: ___________________________ approximate time period to check

Other, please specify*:

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*Check for potential sources on our catalog at www.southcarolinahistoricalsociety.org. Click on “Search our Collections” link in the middle of our home main page. Use additional sheet as necessary.

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