

Newspaper Deceased Estates and S.A. Public Trustees

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1. Introduction

This document describes the South Australian Public Trustees and Deceased Estate dataset.

2. Newspaper Deceased Estate and Public Trustee

2.1 Summary

This database contains records relating to Public Trustees and Deceased Estates. Data is sourced from a combination of Public Trustee records in the SA Government Gazette and Public Trustee and non-Public Trustee (e.g. Deceased Estate, Missing Will, Searching for Relative) notices in The Advertiser.

2.2 Coverage

Coverage varies depending on the source. Records transcribed from Adelaide newspapers cover 1997 to 2023 while SA Government Gazettes cover 1841 to 2000.

Total number of records for this version: 234,592.

2.3 Sources

Special thanks to David Love, Ian Shillabeer and Marion Hextall for access to their individual collections. All other records transcribed & composed by Genealogy SA volunteers.

2.4 Additional information

Accessing Additional Information

Please be aware that the records shown in the database are nominally an index and, as such, may not contain any additional information other than that shown.

SAGHS does not hold Public Trustee files which relate to the index on fiche so there will be no Lookups available. However, for a research fee, a research officer will travel to SRSA at Gepps Cross or access the Supreme Court/Probate Registry to read/ film the paperwork for you. A quote will be sent to you on request. Note: you may need to fill out Freedom of Information form for us to access some files.

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3. Versions

A number of updates have been made to this dataset since it was first created. These are outlined below and the action taken, where available, is provided for each update.

1. 30/07/2024: Added Adelaide Newspaper entries for 2022 and 2023.
2. 24/07/2022: Added Advertiser notices for 2021.
3. 15/02/2022: Added Advertiser Deceased Estate records for 2018 to 2020 and Public Trustee records for 2019 and 2020.
4. 10/02/2019: Added Advertiser notices for 2018.
5. 02/09/2018: Added Advertiser notices for 2017.
6. 21/11/2017: Adding in Ian Shillabeer's Advertiser collection and Marion Hextall's Gazette collection.
7. 24/03/2017: Added Advertiser notices for 2016. Data cleanup splitting multiple surnames.
8. 03/12/2016: Added Advertiser notices for 2015.
9. 07/11/2016: Incorporate David Love's Gazette collection and extend Advertiser indexes.
10. 20/09/2016: Updating information for MPCviewer version. No records changes.
11. 14/09/2016: Cleaning up names and dates. No record changes.

3.1 Version M-20240730

- Add Advertiser Public Trustee and non-Public Trustee (eg Deceased Estate, Missing Will, Searching for Relative) notices for 2022 and 2023.
- Total records: 234,592

3.2 Version M-20220724

- Add Advertiser Public Trustee and Deceased Estate notices for 2021.
- Total records: 233,648

3.3 Version M-20220215

- Add Advertiser Deceased Estate records for 2018-20, Public Trustee for 2019-20.
- Total records: 233,166

3.4 Version M-20190210

- Add 531 Advertiser records for 2018
- Total records: 232,235

3.5 Version M-20180902

- Add 500 Advertiser records for 2017
- Total records: 231,704

3.6 Version M-20171121

- Add ~107k records as follows (including replacements):
 - Gazette 1845-2000.
 - Advertiser Nov1997-Sep2012 (Ian Shillabeer Collection).
 - Gazette 1841-1890 (Marion Hextall Collection).
 - Some corrections to existing dataset.
- Total records: 231,204

3.7 Version M-20170324

- Added Advertiser notices from 2016.
- Existing data cleanup including splitting multiple surnames and removing double spaces.
- Total records: 124,156

3.8 Version M-20161203

- Add Advertiser notices for 2015.
- Total records: 123,684

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3.9 Version M-20161107

- Incorporate David Love's Gazette indexes, and extend Advertiser indexes.
- Separation from NP-Death database.
- Total records: 123,144

3.10 Version M-20160920

- Changes to provide 'info' for MPCviewer, including version info. No record changes.
- Total records: 2,322

3.11 Version M-20160914

- No changes from the old DB except cleaning up names and dates.
- Total records: 2,322