

## History & Genealogy Unit

### About the History & Genealogy Unit

Thousands of researchers visit our busy department each year in search of information about our state and its diverse population. Our reference staff assists a steady stream of genealogists, historians, students, state employees, attorneys, environmental researchers, and others in search of historical information about our state.

On our website you can find links to the Library catalog, State Archives Finding Aids, Digital Collections, and information about our collections. Visit us at [ctstatelibrary.org](http://ctstatelibrary.org).



*History & Genealogy Reference*

### Reading Room Equipment

- ◇ Change machine. Accepts one or five dollar bills. State Library staff does not make change
- ◇ Computer terminals and Wi-Fi
- ◇ Microfilm readers, reader printers and microfilm scanners
- ◇ Photocopiers
- ◇ Book Scanner
- ◇ Camera Stand (Archives Reading Area)

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### State Archives Reference

Researchers access archival and manuscript collections through the History and Genealogy Unit. Collections include historical Connecticut government records, military records, town records, aerial photographs, pictorial archives, diaries, and much more!

The State Archives Finding Aids will show what original materials we hold:

<http://ctstatelibrary.org/state-archives-finding-aids/>.

To learn how to request and view materials, including important information about archival retrieval times, please see:

<http://libguides.ctstatelibrary.org/hg/home>, and click on Access Archives.



*Archives Reading Area*

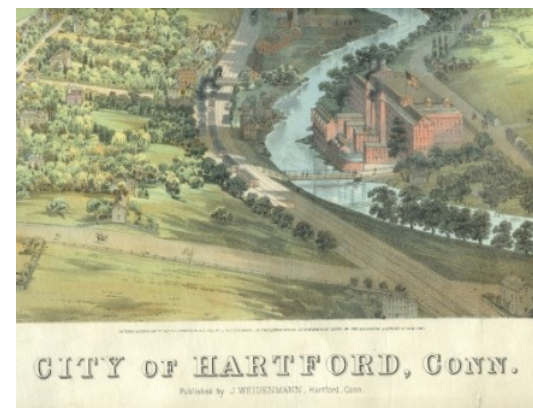
Archivists will answer questions regarding unprocessed and restricted records, confidentially, loans of archival records and copying of fragile items.

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### From a Distance

Can't visit but have questions about our collections and services? Please call, write, or email us and we can try to assist you.

- ◇ Telephone: (860) 757-6580
- ◇ Email: <http://ctstatelibrary.org/contact-us/email-us/>



Photocopies or digital images of materials in our collections may be made and sent if specific citations, including page numbers, are furnished. Current photocopy charges are listed on our website. For a fee, we also offer a search of our genealogy indexes. These include:

- ◇ Barbour Collection of CT Vital Records
- ◇ Family & Bible Records Index
- ◇ CT Newspaper Marriage & Death Notice Abstracts
- ◇ Hale Collection of Cemetery Inscriptions
- ◇ Church Records Index
- ◇ Probate Estate papers Index

## Collection Highlights

- ◇ An extensive collection of local histories, genealogies and city directories
- ◇ Most Connecticut town vital records, land records, and probate records from the 1600s to the early 1900s on microfilm
- ◇ Church records from hundreds of Connecticut churches, most on microfilm
- ◇ Newspaper notices of marriages & deaths
- ◇ Transcriptions of family Bible records and cemetery inscriptions



*Bible Record from Special Genealogy Files*

- ◇ Atlases and maps of Connecticut & New England
- ◇ Connecticut newspapers
- ◇ Military records from the 1630s to the 20th century
- ◇ Research databases. See: <http://libguides.ctstatelibrary.org/az/php>
- ◇ Connecticut Marriages and Deaths indices dating from 1897-2001

## Directions and Parking

### I-84 Eastbound

Exit 48, Capitol Ave. At end of ramp is the intersection of Capitol Ave. and Oak St. The library is diagonally across the street.

### I-84 Westbound

Exit 47, Sigourney St. Left under I-84; left again on to I-84 eastbound. Take the first exit: Capitol Ave. See Eastbound above.

### I-91 North or Southbound

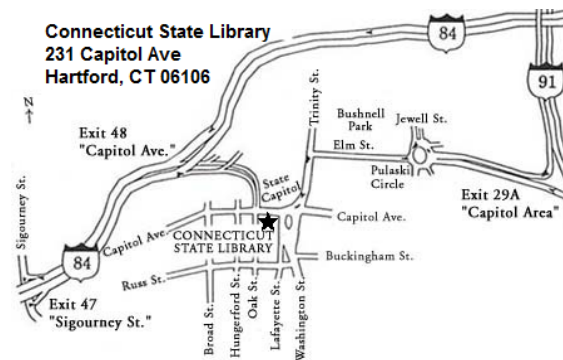
Exit 29A, Capitol Area. Halfway around the traffic circle, take Elm Street. (Bushnell Park will be on your right); go to the traffic light. Take a left onto Trinity Street. The library is one block away, across from the State Capitol.

### Parking

Metered on-street parking during the week. Parking is available in the Library parking lot on Saturdays. For more information, see: <http://ctstatelibrary.org/about/hours-and-locations/csl-231/>.

### Address

231 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106



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## CT State Library

*Preserving the Past. Informing the Future.*



231 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06106

### Public Hours:

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Saturday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Closed Sundays, State Holidays, and  
State Holiday Weekends

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