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## DIPLOMATES OF THE SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIAN GENEALOGISTS

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The fees charged by professional genealogists vary considerably, depending on the nature of the work and the reputation of the agent. It is suggested that estimates for any proposed work should be obtained by the enquirer from the genealogist in question before work commences. It is also recommended that initial contact be made in writing by email, where available, clearly stating the work required so that a considered estimate of costs can be given.

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<p><b>BOOTH, Janet</b> 10 Cope Street, Lane Cove, NSW 2066</p>	<p>Sydney Repositories incl: SRNSW, SAG, Mitchell Library &amp; Probate Office. Experienced in English and Scottish research.</p>
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<p><b>TURTLE, Laurence</b>        PO Box 144, Kurrajong, NSW 2758  <b>Tel:</b> (02) 4573 1559  <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:colpitts1788@gmail.com">colpitts1788@gmail.com</a>  <b>Website:</b>  <a href="http://www.turtleconsolidatedservices.com.au">www.turtleconsolidatedservices.com.au</a></p>	<p>I have been a family history researcher for many years now. I am a transcription agent for NSW BDM records with access to those records. I also facilitate regular visits to NSW State Records to undertake research there. I can also help with English research, research in other states and general research problems. Although my main area of expertise is with NSW records, I can often refer clients to other researchers to cover areas that I don't have as much expertise.</p>
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<b>SHERWOOD, Cathie</b> <b>Mob:</b> 0409 642 499 <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:cathie@ancestordiscovery.com.au">cathie@ancestordiscovery.com.au</a>  <b>Websites:</b> <a href="https://www.ancestordiscovery.com.au/">https://www.ancestordiscovery.com.au/</a> and <a href="https://www.familyhistoryacademy.com.au/">https://www.familyhistoryacademy.com.au/</a> <b>Facebook:</b> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/AncestorDiscovery">https://www.facebook.com/AncestorDiscovery</a> <b>Instagram:</b> <a href="https://www.instagram.com/ancestordiscovery/">https://www.instagram.com/ancestordiscovery/</a>	Family history research, fully documented, covering Australia, Ireland and the United Kingdom and the British in India until 1947.  Let me help you uncover your family stories and help break down your ancestral brick walls. I also offer DNA analysis of test results and personal research advice sessions.  I am a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists (APG).

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New Zealand research at nationwide repositories: inc. BDM; electoral rolls; city directories; wills; bankruptcy; court; shipping where accessible; schools; burials. Also overseas research. Special interest: school history inc. industrial & reformatory schools.

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