

*Robert -  
I'm becoming  
smile - forgot to  
enclose these with the  
envelope I sent out yesterday.  
Paul*

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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to you in hopes that you will be able to assist me with a genealogical research problem that I have been experiencing for over twenty years.

According to a fellow researcher with whom I have corresponded since 1987, there exists a British emigration record entitled The Complete Book Of Emigrants In Bondage: 1614-1775, by a researcher whose last name I think is Coldham.

I do not know the first name of this researcher, nor do I know the date that his emigration record was published. Supposedly on page 489 of this publication, however, reference is made to an individual about whom I would like to learn as much as possible, and hope that you will be able to help me investigate.

The individual to whom I am referring is a "Thomas Lawton of Middlesex, who was sentenced [no offense mentioned] in January of 1724, and was transported to Carolina [presumably to Charleston, S. C.] in February of that same year, aboard the ship 'Ann,' which was commanded by a Thomas Wrangham."

I would like to know as much about this Thomas Lawton as you have on record. Of particular interest to me would be the answers to ANY of the following questions:

1. Why was he transported to Carolina?
2. What was his occupation?
3. Was he married at the time?
4. Is the name of his wife available?
5. Are any children mentioned in his records?
6. If he did have a wife and child(ren), did any of these accompany him to Carolina?
7. Is there by any chance a William Lawton referred to in Thomas Lawton's transportation records?
8. Are his parents or any of his siblings by any chance referred to in his transportation records?

I of course realize that you can not possibly respond personally to the above questions. I simply want to indicate to you the type information I am interested in obtaining, to the extent that it is available.

For your trouble and kind assistance, I am enclosing a check made out to you for \$25.00. If additional funds are required, please notify me at once.

I shall look forward to hearing from you when your time permits, and in the interim I am most grateful for any assistance you might be able to provide.

Wishing you a healthy, happy, and prosperous New Year, I shall remain

Sincerely and appreciatively yours,

*Paul S. Lawton, Jr.*

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*29 December 90*