

**Reference code(s):** GB 0214 DLL

**Title:** Llewellyn of Baglan and Court Colman papers

**Creation date(s):** 1713-1972

**Level of description:** Fonds

**Extent:** 4.30 cubic metres (c. 1250 volumes, bundles and items)

**Name of creator(s):** Llewellyn family of Baglan and Court Colman

## CONTEXT

**Administrative/Biographical history:** The Llewellyn family descended from Llewelyn Evan (d 1757), who married Eleanor, daughter of Evan Davies, of Pentre, Ystradyfodwg, Glamorgan. His son, Hopkin Llewellyn (1727-1811), of Brombil, Margam, and Pentre, became the estate agent of the Margam estate in 1765. Hopkin's eldest son, Griffith, married Catherine Jones, heiress of Baglan Hall. Hopkin's youngest son, William Llewellyn (1773-1840), was a surgeon in the Royal Navy until 1810, when he started a medical practice in Tai-bach. William purchased Court Colman (or Cwrt Colman) near Bridgend, Glamorgan, in 1837, but never lived there. The house was occupied by his wife, Catherine, until her death in 1848. William's grandson, Robert William Llewellyn (1848-1910), owner of Cwrt Colman, came into the possession of Baglan Hall estate in 1903, after which it was bequeathed by Griffith Llewellyn (1802-1888) to his cousin, William Llewellyn (1820-1898) of Court Colman, but with life interest granted to Griffith's wife, Madelina Georgina (d 1903). William died before Madelina and by his will bequeathed Baglan Hall to his eldest son, Robert William Llewellyn (1848-1910), who on his death left the estate to his widow, Harriet, and his second son, Griffith Robert Poyntz Llewellyn. Shortly after Robert's death, parts of the estate were sold off, other parts of the estate were sold in 1936 to the Port Talbot Borough Council, whilst Court Colman was sold by Robert's son, William Herbert Clydwin Llewellyn (1883-1976), in 1961.

## CONTENT

**Scope and content/abstract:** Estate papers, 1713-1976, including lease registers, 1802-1976; rent, royalty, and wayleave accounts, 1862-1942; rentals and accounts, 1775-1972; maps and plans; ledgers, etc., 1890-1913; cash books, 1867-1961; wage books, 1887-1972; estate correspondence and related papers, [20th century], estate and buildings elevations and improvements plans [c. 1867]-1968; family and household papers of the Llewellyn family including letter books, 1826-1915; correspondence, 1890-1909; diaries, notebooks and personal accounts, 1794, 1816-1950; education papers, [c. 1850]-1908; legal papers containing family and estate settlements,

1910-1943; household management records, 1889-1920; charities, school, hospitals, etc., 1886-1918; scrapbooks and newscuttings, 1889-1952; and pedigrees and miscellaneous notes and letters, [c. 1880]-[c. 1900]. The Llewellyn family were heavily involved in the coal-mining industry and this is reflected in the colliery plans of mines mainly in the Rhondda valley, [c. 1869]-1940. The archive also includes papers relating to Anthony Maddocks, 1713-1746, and a copy, [c. 1800], of a survey of the seignory of Gower, taken under a commission issued by Oliver Cromwell in 1650.

## ACCESS AND USE

**Language/scripts of material:** English

**System of arrangement:** Arranged into the following: records of the Llewellyn family of Baglan and Court Colman; professional estate and family; estate records; correspondence and related papers; Ordnance Survey plans and printed maps; estate plans; colliery plans; plans of buildings, elevations and improvements; estate and family; family and household records; Ash Hall estate plans; seignory of Gower; Glamorgan elections, 1820; Glamorgan turnpike; parish records (civil); and printed books.

**Conditions governing access:** No restrictions

**Conditions governing reproduction:** Normal Glamorgan Record Office conditions apply.

**Finding aids:** Handlists of the catalogue are available at Glamorgan Record Office and the National Register of Archives.

## ARCHIVAL INFORMATION

**Appraisal, destruction and scheduling information:** All records which meet the collection policy of the Glamorgan Record Office have been retained.

**Accruals:** Accruals are not expected.

**Archival history:**

**Immediate source of acquisition:** Information to be supplied.

## ALLIED MATERIALS

## DESCRIPTION NOTES

**Note:** Title supplied from contents of fonds.

**Archivist's note:** Compiled by Mair James for the HMC/NLW Family and Estates project. The following sources were used in the compilation of this

description: *Burke's Landed Gentry*, (London, 1952); Jones, Eben, *The Llewellyns of Baglan and Cwrt Colman*,(Baglan, 1989).

**Rules or conventions:** This description follows ANW guidelines based on ISAD(G) Second Edition; AACR2 and LCSH.

**Date(s) of descriptions:** February 2002; amended January 2005

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