

**C CQI                      Papers relating to insolvent debtors at                      1748-1812**  
**Hull Quarter Sessions**

**Historical background:** Quarter sessions were county courts held by the magistrates (also known as Justices of the Peace) from the 14th century four times a year at Epiphany (Jan-Mar), Easter (Apr-Jun), Midsummer (Jul-Sept) and Michaelmas (Oct-Dec). The work of these courts was varied. They dealt with criminal matters from petty theft to rape. Quarter sessions courts also dealt with administrative matters such as licensing. Many Poor Law cases found their way into the Quarter sessions Courts. More serious crimes were referred on to the assize courts where professional judges could handle them, rather than the Justices of the Peace. Assizes were held in Hull at irregular intervals until 1794. Thereafter prisoners committed to the assizes by Hull courts were tried at York. The records of the courts of assizes are held by the National Archives.

**Description:** The most useful information is contained in the schedule of assets. This gives the name and occupation of the debtor, their place of residence and, usually, the sum owing, the nature of the debt, the names of any witnesses and an inventory of possessions and real estate. This arrangement was terminated in 1824 when, by and Act of Parliament, the local work was transferred to visiting Commissioners sent out by the central Court for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors. The records of the Courts held by these commissioners at Hull are also held here.

**Extent:** 3 bundles

**Related material:** Additional records relating to insolvent debtors can found at C JI and C CQM

**Access conditions:** Access will be granted to any accredited reader

C CQI/1	William Archer of London, carpenter Petition and no property certificate. This item is missing from the collection as of 11 Nov 2009	24 Aug 1748
C CQI/2	John Briglin, of Preston in Holderness, labourer Petition and schedule 2 items	24 Aug 1748
C CQI/3	Thomas Farnell of Hull, mariner Petition and schedule 2 items	31 Aug 1748
C CQI/4	John Goston of Hull, mariner Petition and no property certificate 2 items	24 Aug 1748
C CQI/5	Matthew Hardwick of Hull, Sawyer Petition and schedule 2 items	24 Aug 1478
C CQI/6	Richard Hill of Hull, miller Petition and schedule 2 items	24 Aug 1478

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C CQI/7	John Molton of Hull, mariner Petition and schedule 2 items	24 Aug 1478
C CQI/8	William Simpson of Hull, brickmaker Petition and schedule 2 items	24 Aug 1748
C CQI/9	John Skelton of Burstwick in Holderness, husbandman Petition and schedule 2 items	24 Aug 1748
C CQI/10	Robert Waddington of East Keswick, farmer Petition and schedule 2 items	24 Aug 1748
C CQI/11	John Kerry of Hull, merchant Petition and schedule 2 items	10 Dec 1748
C CQI/12	William Buller of Hull, master and mariner Petition and schedule 2 items	10 Jun 1749
C CQI/13	William Seaton of Hull, sledman Petition and a no property certificate 2 items	10 Jun 1749
C CQI/14	Gaolers schedules of debtors 2 items	Jul 1801
C CQI/15	John Brentano of London, merchant's clerk Petition, schedule and writ 3 items	15 Jul 1801
C CQI/16	Thomas Levitt, formerly of West Ella and late of Hull, malster and publican 4 items	15 Jul 1801
C CQI/17	William Green, formerly of Knaresborough, late of Hull, engraver Petition, schedule and writ 4 items	15 Jul 1801
C CQI/18	Joshua Hanson of Harbury, Yorkshire, tailor Schedule and petition 3 items	15 Jul 1801
C CQI/19	Henry Hay, formerly of New York, and late of Hull Petition, schedule and writ 3 items	15 Jul 1801

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C CQI/20	George Sanderson, formerly of Halton, Lincolnshire and late of Hull, horse dealer Petition, schedule and writs 4 items	15 Jul 1801
C CQI/21	John Ross, formerly of Sculcoates and late of Hull Petition, schedule and writ 4 items	15 Jul 1801
C CQI/22	Thomas Scarth, formerly of Kirby Moorside, York, joiner Petition, schedule, oath, writs and note of original suit 5 items	30 Aug 1801
C CQI/23	Richard Brown of Hull, joiner Petition, schedule, oath and writs 6 items	17 Jul 1801
C CQI/24	Thomas Rounding, formerly of New Malton, woollen draper and late of Hull, insurance broker Schedule, petition, oath, writ, note of the original suit, schedules order for discharge and the gaoler's schedule for debtors 8 items	29 Aug 1801
C CQI/25	Writs to the gaoler for the production of various debtors 2 items	21 Aug 1812
C CQI/26	John Hinchcliffe, formerly of Hessle, late of Hull, sawyer Schedule 1 item	17 Jul 1755
C CQI/27	Joshua Shillito of Hull, victualler Schedule 1 item	29 Jul 1755