

**C JI**

**The Records of the Court for  
the Relief of Insolvent Debtors**

**1748-1844**

**Administrative history:** The earliest acts for the relief of insolvent debtors placed the burden of their administration on local courts of Quarter Sessions. This arrangement was terminated in 1824 when the local work was transferred to visiting commissioners sent out by the central Court for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors. It is the records of the Courts held by these commissioners at Kingston upon Hull which are listed here.

**Description:** Much of the material consists of formal records and most of the interest is to be found in the records of individual cases. Routine matter, such as the petition from the person imprisoned for debt which opened the case, the order for the case to be heard, and the final adjudication, predominates. There are also estate papers, balance sheets and schedules of debts and credits which give some idea of the scope and nature of the business activities of the small traders who appear in this records.

**Extent:** 1 box

**Arrangement:**

C JI/1-C JI/2	Acts of Parliament	1748-1824
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C JI/12-C JI/16	Letters and Circulars	1824-1826
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C JI/24-C JI/34	The Proceedings of the Court	1824-1837
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**Related material:** Earlier records of the relief of insolvent debtors are to be found in the Quarter Sessions Records (C CQ)

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

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C JI/1-C JI/2	<b>Acts of Parliament</b>	<b>1748-1824</b>
	2 Items	
C JI/1	Act of Parliament, 21 Geo II (1748), for the relief of insolvent debtors 1 item	1748
C JI/2	Act of Parliament, 5 Geo IV 61 (1824), to amend certain acts for the relief of insolvent debtors 1 item	1824
C JI/3-C JI/11	<b>Circulars from the Office of the Court for Insolvent Debtors to the Town Clerk of Hull announcing the date when the Commissioners of the Court will next be sitting in Hull</b>	<b>1824-1838</b>
	9 Items	
C JI/3	Circular announcing that the commissioners of the Court will next be sitting in Hull on 21 October 1824 1 item	17 Oct 1824
C JI/4	Circular announcing that the commissioners of the Court will next be sitting in Hull on 2 March 1825 1 item	20 Jan 1825
C JI/5	Circular announcing that the commissioners of the Court will next be sitting in Hull on 25 June 1825 1 item	20 May 1825
C JI/6	Circular announcing that the commissioners of the Court will next be sitting in Hull on 1 November 1825 1 item	30 Sep 1825
C JI/7	Circular announcing that the commissioners of the Court will next be sitting in Hull on 1 March 1826 1 item	16 Jan 1826
C JI/8	Circular announcing that the commissioners of the Court will next be sitting in Hull on 3 November 1828 1 item	24 Sep 1828
C JI/9	Circular announcing that the commissioners of the Court will next be sitting in Hull on 27 June 1831 1 item	14 May 1831
C JI/10	Circular announcing that the commissioners of the Court will next be sitting in Hull on 10 March 1835 1 item	20 Jan 1835

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C JI/11	Circular announcing that the commissioners of the Court will next be sitting in Hull on 2 March 1838 1 item	18 Jan 1838
<b>C JI/12-C JI/16</b>	<b>Letters and Circulars</b> 5 Items	<b>1824-1826</b>
C JI/12	Circular from R Peel to the Mayor of Hull as to the arrangements for the sitting of the Commissioners 1 item	1 Sep 1824
C JI/13	Letter from the Town Clerk to his Deputy as to the problems raised by the Commissioners sitting at the same time as Quarter Sessions, and draft letter from the Deputy to the Insolvent Debtors Court explaining the position 1 item	24 Sep 1824
C JI/14	Letter from the Insolvent Debtors Court Office to George Bramwell as Town Clerk of Hull, giving approval to the Deputy recommended to sit in the Insolvent's Court 1 item	5 Oct 1824
C JI/15	Table showing the circuits of the Commissioners for the relief of insolvent debtors 1 item	1826
C JI/16	Letter from the Insolvent Debtors Court Office to George Bramwell as Town Clerk of Hull 1 item	15 Feb 1824
<b>C JI/17-C JI/23</b>	<b>Printed Lists of Prisoners and their Attorneys submitting their petitions to the Court</b> 11 Items	<b>1825-1836</b>
C JI/17	Printed list of prisoners and their attorneys submitting their petitions to the court, with M.S. notes 1 item	25 Jun 1825
C JI/18	Printed list of prisoners and their attorneys submitting their petitions to the court, with M.S. notes Previous Ref C JI/18-19 2 items	14 Jul 1828

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C JI/19	Printed list of prisoners and their attorneys submitting their petitions to the court, with M.S. notes Previous ref C JI/20 1 item	9 Mar 1831
C JI/20	Printed list of prisoners and their attorneys submitting their petitions to the court, with M.S. notes Previous ref C JI/21 1 item	29 Jun 1835
C JI/21	Printed list of prisoners and their attorneys submitting their petitions to the court, with M.S. notes Previous ref C JI/22 1 item	19 Oct 1835
C JI/22	Printed list of prisoners and their attorneys submitting their petitions to the court, with M.S. notes Previous Ref JI/23-24 2 items	1 Mar 1836
C JI/23	Printed list of prisoners and their attorneys submitting their petitions to the court, with M.S. notes Previous Ref C JI/25-27 3 items	2 Jul 1836
<b>JI/24-JI/34</b>	<b>The Proceedings of the Court</b> 12 Items	<b>1824-1837</b>
C JI/24	The proceedings of the court, gives the name of each prisoner and brief details of the action taken, on loose sheets torn from a book Previous Ref C JI/28-29 2 items	21 Oct 1824
C JI/25	The proceedings of the court, gives the name of each prisoner and brief details of the action taken, on loose sheets torn from a book Previous Ref C JI/30 1 item	2 Mar 1825

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C JI/26	The proceedings of the court, gives the name of each prisoner and brief details of the action taken, on loose sheets torn from a book Previous Ref C JI/31 1 item	25 Jun 1825- 1 Nov 1825
C JI/27	The proceedings of the court, gives the name of each prisoner and brief details of the action taken, on loose sheets torn from a book Previous Ref C JI/32 1 item	1 Mar 1826- 3 Jul 1826
C JI/28	The proceedings of the court, gives the name of each prisoner and brief details of the action taken, on loose sheets torn from a book Previous Ref C JI/33 1 item	3 Nov 1828
C JI/29	The proceedings of the court, gives the name of each prisoner and brief details of the action taken, on loose sheets torn from a book Previous Ref C JI/34 1 item	10 Mar 1829- 7 Jul 1829
C JI/30	The proceedings of the court, gives the name of each prisoner and brief details of the action taken, on loose sheets torn from a book Previous Ref C JI/35 1 item	20 Oct 1829
C JI/31	The proceedings of the court, gives the name of each prisoner and brief details of the action taken, on loose sheets torn from a book Previous Ref C JI/36 1 item	12 Mar 1830
C JI/32	The proceedings of the court, gives the name of each prisoner and brief details of the action taken, on loose sheets torn from a book Previous Ref C JI/37 1 item	3 Jul 1830- 25 Oct 1830
C JI/33	The proceedings of the court, gives the name of each prisoner and brief details of the action taken, on loose sheets torn from a book, and a court order relating to Charles Hewitt Previous Ref C JI/38 1 item	9 Mar 1831

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C JI/34	The proceedings of the court, gives the name of each prisoner and brief details of the action taken Previous Ref C JI/39 1 item	18 Feb-12 Mar 1837
<b>C JI/35-C JI/114</b>	<b>The Records of Individual Cases</b> 89 Items	<b>1824-1845</b>
C JI/35	Adjudication of Thomas Page Previous Ref C JI/40 1 item	21 Oct 1824
C JI/36	Schedule and balance sheet for John Whipp (No. 22329), a butcher formerly of Carr Lane Previous Ref C JI/41 1 item	24 Dec 1827
C JI/37	Bill of legal expenses for John Whipp Previous Ref C JI/42 1 item	9 Mar 1829
C JI/38	Order of adjudication of Robert Bull (no.36239) Previous Ref C JI/43 1 item	21 Feb 1834
C JI/39	Robert Hudson, (no.36646) formerly a licensed victualler at the Prince Blucher in Westerdale's Entry, Salthouse Lane, Writ of Capias for his arrest at the suit of Septimus Bromby in the Exchequer Pleas Previous Ref C JI/44 1 item	11 Apr 1834
C JI/40	Petition with notes on the progress of Robert Hudson's case Previous Ref C JI/45 1 item	19 Apr 1834
C JI/41	Order for the hearing of Robert Hudson Previous Ref C JI/46 1 item	26 Jun 1834
C JI/42	Petition with notes on the progress of the case, John Hethrington (als. Elderington) no.37287, gardner Previous Ref C JI/47 1 item	12 Jun 1834

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C JI/43	Order for hearing the case of John Hethrington Previous Ref C JI/48 1 item	27 Jun 1834
C JI/44	Order for adjudication of Hethrington Previous Ref C JI/49 1 item	27 Jun 1834
C JI/45	Petition, James Harrison (no. 37398), formerly of Barton on Humber and Hull, bell founder and church clock maker Previous Ref C JI/50 1 item	23 Jun 1834
C JI/46	Assignment of property to the Provisional Assignee of the Estates and Effects of Insolvent Debtors Previous Ref C JI/51 1 item	23 Jun 1834
C JI/47	Order for Hearing of James Harrison Previous Ref C JI/52 1 item	27 Jun 1834
C JI/48	Order for adjudication of James Harrison (no.37358) Previous Ref C JI/53 1 item	25 Jul 1834
C JI/49	Petition, George Middleton (no.37974), formerly employed by Messrs. Myers and Wilson of Carr Lane as a journeyman, stonemason and lodging at 18 Great Passage street Previous Ref C JI/54 1 item	4 Oct 1834
C JI/50	Account and further petition for George Middleton, because the petition was lodged outside the time limit Previous Ref C JI/55 1 item	4 Oct 1834
C JI/51	Order for hearing of George Middleton's case Previous Ref C JI/56 1 item	11 Oct 1834
C JI/52	Order for adjudication of George Middleton Previous Ref C JI/57 1 item	8 Nov 1834

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C JI/53	Petition, Collings Stephenson (no.38738), formerly of Marvel Street, Drypool, Hackney cartman, dealer in manure, licenced retailer Previous Ref C JI/58. See also C JI/85. 1 item	13 Jan 1835
C JI/54	Order for adjudication of Collings Stephenson Previous Ref C JI/59. See also C JI/53 & C JI/85. 1 item	10 Mar 1835
C JI/55	Petition, Stephen Milner (no.38820), formerly of St. James street, Myton, bricklayer and plasterer Previous Ref C JI/60 1 item	24 Jan 1835
C JI/56	Order for hearing of Stephen Milner's case Previous Ref C JI/61 1 item	10 Feb 1835
C JI/57	Order of adjudication for Stephen Milner Previous Ref C JI/62-63 2 items	10 Mar 1835
C JI/58	John Lowther (no.39521), formerly of Grimston Street, Silvester street, and Brigg, Lincolnshire, bricklayer, Writ for arrest on the suit of Elizabeth Oglesby in the Exchequer Pleas Previous Ref C JI/64 1 item	16 Apr 1835
C JI/59	Petition for John Lowther Previous Ref C JI/65 1 item	25 Apr 1835
C JI/60	Estate paper lodged with petition for John Lowther Previous Ref C JI/66 1 item	25 Apr 1835
C JI/61	Account and petition to lodge schedule after the expiry of the time limit for John Lowther's case Previous Ref C JI/67 1 item	27 May 1835
C JI/62	Order for hearing of John Lowther's case Previous Ref C JI/68 1 item	1 Jun 1835
C JI/63	Order for adjudication for John Lowther's case Previous Ref C JI/69 1 item	29 Jun 1835



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C JI/64	Petition, Abraham Wood, formerly of Sykes street, bath vendor Previous Ref C JI/70 1 item	13 May 1836
C JI/65	Estate paper lodged with petition for Abraham Wood, formerly of Sykes Street, bath vendor Previous Ref C JI/71 1 item	13 May 1836
C JI/66	Order extending the time within which his property is to be sold, for Joseph Lapish (no.45311) Previous Ref C JI/72 1 item	8 Dec 1840
C JI/67	Petition, Leonard Dickinson (no.47424), formerly of Drypool, labourer at a soap manufacturers in Lime street Previous Ref C JI/73 1 item	30 Jan 1838
C JI/68	Estate paper lodged with petition for Leonard Dickinson Previous Ref C JI/74 1 item	30 Jan 1838
C JI/69	Order for hearing of Leonard Dickinson Previous Ref C JI/75 1 item	2 Feb 1838
C JI/70	Order for hearing of William Levett (no.47455), formerly of Nelson street and High street, wholesale grocer, tea dealer, hop and seed merchant and general commission agent Previous Ref C JI/76 1 item	5 Feb 1838
C JI/71	William Stephenson (no.54995), formerly of Bishop Burton and Spring Dale, near Burlington, farmer, schedule and extract Previous Ref C JI/77-78 2 items	4 Dec 1840
C JI/72	Petition, Estate paper lodged with the petition and notes on the progress of the case of Thomas Jacob (no.56694), formerly of Church Lane and Chariot Street, baker, cowkeeper and dealer in flour, bread, bacon, coals and milk Previous Ref C JI/79 1 item	27 May 1841

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C JI/73	Schedule and draft of Thomas Jacob's case Previous Ref C JI/80 2 items	28 May 1841
C JI/74	Order for hearing of Thomas Jacob's case Previous Ref C JI/82 1 item	1 Jun 1841
C JI/75	Writ summoning Thomas Allison and Francis Stamp to give evidence Previous Ref C JI/81 1 item	26 Jun 1841
C JI/76	Brief for the insolvent Thomas Jacob Previous Ref C JI/83 1 item	29 Jun 1841
C JI/77	Notice by William Batty of his intention to oppose the discharge, Joseph Walters Previous Ref C JI/84 1 item	14 Feb 1842
C JI/78	Writ summoning Benjamin Holmes, William Hardcastle, Thomas Milner and Robert Milner to give evidence Previous Ref C JI/85 1 item	16 Feb 1842
C JI/79	Brief to oppose, and draft Previous Ref C JI/86-87 2 items	18 Feb 1842
C JI/80	Order for hearing of Thomas Wilson (no.57663) of various addresses, builder, joiner and whitesmith Previous Ref C JI/88 1 item	1 Oct 1841
C JI/81	Petition, Collings Stephenson (no.58637) of Thompsons Row, gatherer of and dealer in manure Previous Ref C JI/89 1 item	17 Jan 1842
C JI/82	Order for hearing of Collings Stephenson's case Previous Ref C JI/90 1 item	22 Jan 1842
C JI/83	List of creditors Previous Ref C JI/91 1 item	28 Jan 1842

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C JI/84	Writ summoning George Capes, John Featherstone and Thomas Richardson to give evidence Previous Ref C JI/92 1 item	17 Feb 1842
C JI/85	Order of adjudication of Collings Stephenson Previous Ref C JI/93. See also C JI/53 and C JI/54. 1 item	18 Feb 1842
C JI/86	Order of hearing of William Kennedy (no.59978), of Scott street, millwright Previous Ref C JI/94 1 item	1 Jun 1842
C JI/87	James Bridge (no.61074), Writ of summons to appear in the Exchequer Pleas at the suit of Arthur Hawksford and Richard Harton Previous Ref C JI/95a 1 item	5 Jul 1842
C JI/88	Petition for James Bridge Previous Ref C JI/95b 1 item	20 Sep 1842
C JI/89	Affidavit by Henry Scott as to the late filing of the schedule Previous Ref C JI/96 1 item	23 Sep 1842
C JI/90	Order for hearing Previous Ref C JI/97-98 2 items	24 Sep 1842
C JI/91	Writ summoning John Rayner to give evidence Previous Ref C JI/99 1 item	21 Oct 1842
C JI/92	Affidavit by the insolvent Henry Scott applying for bail Previous Ref C JI/100 1 item	3 Dec 1842
C JI/93	Bail papers including notice of sureties, affidavits by sureties of James Elliot of 68 Lowgate, hairdresser, and John Reed of 14 De La Pole Place, Drypool, foreman or manager to George Story, tailor and draper, Bail recognizance Previous Ref C JI/100-103 6 items	5 Dec 1842

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C JI/94	Joseph Elvin, formerly of the Sir John Talbot, Humber street and the Grapes, Waterhouse Lane, licenced victualler, Writ relating to the Exchequer suit between Thomas Neale and Joseph Elvin Previous Ref C JI/104 1 item	21 Feb 1842
C JI/95	Petition Previous Ref C JI/105 1 item	20 Sep 1842
C JI/96	Order for hearing of Henry Senior (no.64034), formerly of the Paul Fry, Waterworks street, and the Shakespear Tavern, Humber street, licenced victualler Previous Ref C JI/106 1 item	30 Oct 1843
C JI/97	Writ of summons to John Lee Smith, William McAllany, Thomas Wray, Thomas Daniels and James North to give evidence Previous Ref C JI/107 1 item	30 Oct 1843
C JI/98	Order of adjudication for Henry Senior Previous Ref C JI/108 1 item	31 Oct 1843
C JI/99	Petition, William Smith (no.64037), formerly of West Street, chemist and druggist Previous Ref C JI/109 1 item	28 Sep 1843
C JI/100	General Balance sheet for William Smith Previous Ref C JI/110 1 item	28 Sep 1843
C JI/101	Order for Hearing of William Smith's case Previous Ref C JI/111 1 item	3 Oct 1843
C JI/102	Writ summoning Francis Stamp, Anthony Routledge, George Mirfield, William Harman and Thomas Drewery to give evidence Previous Ref C JI/112 1 item	3 Oct 1843
C JI/103	Order of adjudication of William Smith Previous Ref C JI/113 1 item	31 Oct 1843

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C JI/104	Order of adjudication of Joseph Edward Bowers (no.64038) Previous Ref C JI/114 1 item	31 Oct 1843
C JI/105	Order of adjudication for Richard Wiseman, formerly of New Village, Hessle Road, coal dealer, Draft petition and schedule to the Society for the Discharge and Relief of Persons imprisoned for Small Debts, Robert Featherstone (no.64049), formerly of West Street, picture frame maker and gilder Previous Ref C JI/115 1 item	4 Oct 1843
C JI/106	Robert Featherstone (no.64049), formerly of West Street, picture frame maker and gilder, Petition and estate paper lodged Previous Ref C JI/116 1 item	28 Sep 1843
C JI/107	Order for hearing and list of creditors for Robert Featherstone's case Previous Ref C JI/117 1 item	3 Oct 1843
C JI/108	Writ summoning Richard Richardson, Urjah Wilson and Henry Langdale to give evidence Previous Ref C JI/118 1 item	30 Oct 1843
C JI/109	Order of adjudication of Robert Featherstone Previous Ref C JI/119 1 item	10 Oct 1843
C JI/110	Petition and estate paper lodged for Thomas Peart (no.6453) Previous Ref C JI/120 1 item	May 1844
C JI/111	General Balance sheet Previous Ref C JI/121 1 item	May 1844
C JI/112	Notice by Samuel Brown of his intention to oppose discharge Previous Ref C JI/122 1 item	14 Jun 1844
C JI/113	Order of adjudication of Thomas Peart Previous Ref C JI/123 1 item	19 Jun 1844

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C JI/114	Order for hearing of Robert Smith (no.67000), of various addresses, successively of various trades including coal merchant, Sherriffs Officers' assistant, and assistant officer for the Hull Court of Requests Previous Ref C JI/124 1 item	17 Sep 1844
<b>C JI/115-C JI/120</b>	<b>Miscellaneous Papers</b> 7 Items	<b>1821-1841</b>
C JI/115	Instruction for the amendment of schedules Previous Ref C JI/125 1 item	n.d.
C JI/116	Writs of summons for William Baker to appear in the Exchequer Pleas at the suit of John Stringer Previous Ref C JI/126 1 item	6 Nov 1840
C JI/117	Writs of summons for William Garbet to appear in Queens Bench at the suit of Robert Varvill Previous Ref C JI/127 1 item	14 Apr 1841
C JI/118	Orders for costs to opposing creditors awarded in the Court at Wells, Somerset with respect to the case of William Simpson Previous Ref C JI/128-129 2 items	24 Jul 1835
C JI/119	Order to bring William Pawson, formerly of Grimsby, retailer of beer and a blacksmith, before the Court at Lincoln Previous Ref C JI/130 1 item	3 Aug 1839
C JI/120	Rules and Orders of the Court Previous Ref C JI/131 1 item	16 Aug 1821