



Initial Consultation Report

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Subjects of Focus: Identity & Direct Ancestors of Edward T. Brereton

The purpose of this report is to summarize the data and goals for your project. Please review the information in this report carefully and report if any additional information is known at project start or if any of the information should be changed or corrected.

Client has a desire to verify and prove the identity of Edward T. Brereton Sr. with a primary focus to learn more about his direct ancestors beginning with his parents Edward Brereton and Margaret M. O'Rourke. On Ancestry account it was said that Edward Tyrrel Brereton Sr. was born during July 1873 in New York, New York County, New York and died on the 31st of May 1950 in New York, New York County, New York. He was described to have married Elizabeth Morrissey on the 17th of April 1907 in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York. No copies of original vital records have been obtained yet to verify and prove his specific dates and places of birth, marriage and death.

Four State and Federal population censuses were submitted from 1915, 1920, 1925 and 1930 that were taken on the identity of Edward T. Brereton Sr., his wife and children in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York.

Limited information has been obtained on the identities of the parents to Edward T. Brereton known as Edward Brereton and Margaret M. O'Rourke. No State or Federal population censuses have been obtained yet on the identities of Edward Brereton (born circa 1835 in Ireland) or his wife with their son Edward T. Brereton. No copies of original vital records like birth, marriage or death records have been obtained yet on Edward Brereton and his wife Margaret. A naturalization record index entry was submitted for Edward Brereton that reported he was naturalized on the 16th of October 1865 in Kings County, New York; a copy of the original record has not been obtained yet.

Additional documentation was submitted on Edward Brereton including two U.S. Army, Register of Enlistments that reported he enlisted to serve during 1869 for a period of 5 years and in 1874 for a period of 5 years. After his first years of service he was discharged on the 25th of October 1874 in New Orleans, Louisiana. He was said to have been discharged from service after his second term in Fort Wayne, Michigan. One U.S. city directory was submitted on Edward T. and Margaret Brereton from Jersey City, New Jersey during 1902. An 1881 England Census was submitted on a woman named Margaret M. O'Rourke who had a husband named Edward Brereton, but since the individuals on the record were born later in time, circa 1850s, it seems that this record may not be a valid match for our subjects.



Summary of Research Recommendations:

Genealogist recommends applying up to fifteen minutes of correspondence time requesting a copy of an original marriage record for Edward T. Brereton Sr. from the New York Municipal Archives. It is important to obtain this record because it will verify and prove the identities of the parents to Edward T. Brereton and will confirm the maiden name of his mother was O'Rourke. The correspondence time will be covered in full by the gift certificate, but any third-party record copying fees must be covered by client. The record search and copy fee that will be due to the N.Y. Municipal Archives will be \$18.50.

Correspondence Time is a term we use to describe research tasks that involve direct contacts with government agencies, historical societies, or other entities to submit requests for documents; often including the completion of formal request forms, emails, or mail correspondence. Correspondence tasks are billed at half our normal research rate.

After a copy of an original marriage record has been obtained on Edward T. Brereton genealogist then recommends applying up to one hour and forty-five minutes of research time completing a digital collections survey on the identities of Edward T. Brereton and his direct ancestors with a primary focus on his parents Edward Brereton and Margaret M. O'Rourke. If Edward T. Brereton was born in New York City during the 1870s it will be important to search for census records on his immediate family in the U.S. from 1870 and 1880. In addition, it will be important to narrow down the specific date and place of death for the ancestral couple Edward Brereton and Margaret O'Rourke to search for copies of original death records on our subjects.

Digital Collections Survey is a term we use to describe a research survey that exhausts all available collections of documents that are published online including but not limited to Ancestry.com and other premium information service databases. Copies of original documentation may include census, vital, military, probate, land and church records; secondary documentation may include copies of record transcriptions, record index entries and published genealogies.



Itemized List of Research Recommendations:

1. Correspondence, Up to .25 hours correspondence time + up to \$18.50 record copy fees

- To submit a request to the N.Y. Municipal Archives to obtain a copy of an original marriage record for Edward Brereton Sr. and Elizabeth Morrissey.

2. Digital Collections Survey, Up to 1.75 hours research time

- Research survey on the identity of Edward T. Brereton and his direct ancestors with a primary focus on his parents Edward Brereton and Margaret O'Rourke with his that will search all available collections of documents that are published online including but not limited to Ancestry.com premium databases. Copies of original documentation may include census, vital, military, probate, land and church records; secondary documentation may include copies of record transcriptions, record index entries and published genealogies.
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