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*Dear Sir,*

Thank you for your letter of 5th September. I confirm that the arms on the seal, two impressions of which you sent, are clearly intended to be those allowed at the 1663 Visitation of London for the family of Whitlock originally of Berkshire. The fact that a motto has been added is not really significant as mottoes were not adopted until the late seventeenth or early eighteenth century and in any case do not form part of the recorded arms. I hope this is the information you wanted.

*y. truly  
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Report on searches made in the official records in the College of Arms to see what is contained therein relating to the surname WHITLOCK and variants of the name - WHITELOCK, WHITELOCKE and WHITTLOCK.

The Visitation of Devon in 1620 (1.C.1.folio 194 r) shows the following pedigree: - William Whitlock of Freistock in that county married Christiana, daughter and coheir of John Lake of Bradmore and with issue, William, 1st son, died without issue, John, 2nd son, and Anthony 3rd son. John, the 2nd son married Elizabeth Chichester and had William of Warkley, co.Devon, alive in 1620, Thomas, 2nd son, married to Margareta Halm, with issue Anthony, son and heir, Chichester, 2nd son, and three daughters. William married Margaret Boteler of Stow, co.Devon and had four daughters by her and a son and heir, John, married to Willmott Hill, alias Spurway. The following arms were displayed Per fess Or and Sable a Bend wavy between two Padlocks counterchanged.

\* The 1663 Visitation of London (2.C.24, folio 342 r) recites the Whitlock pedigree of co.Berks. John Whitlock of Oakingham, co.Berks, married Anne Plumer and his brother Richard married and lived in London, with issue, Sir James Whittlock, Knight, Judge of the Kings Bench. John had issue Richard of London, merchant, married to Catherine Burchet of Wye in Kent, with sons Richard, Robert and John and one daughter. The arms allowed may be blazoned Azure a Chevron engrailed between three Birds Or. Crest: On a Wreath a Tower Vaire Argent and Gules thereon a Bird Wings displayed and addorsed Or.

\* The Buckinghamshire Visitation of 1634 (C.26, folio 28r) gave a marriage between John Whitelock and Agnes De la Beck, temp Henry VI, issue of the marriage being William, who had issue, Richard, who had issue, John, Richard and Hierom. John had a son William, Lord of the Manor of Beches, near Ockingham, co.Berks and of Beches Lands in Whitchurch, co. Oxford and a younger son, De la Beck. William had a son William, Richard (second son of Richard) had a son Edmund, who died without issue, and a son James, Justice on the Kings Bench, husband to Elizabeth Bulstrode of Hedgley Bulstrode, co. Buckingham, and having issue Bulstrode Whitelock of Fallery Court, co.Buckingham, husband of Rebecka Bennett and father of James. Hierom had a son William, who had a son William. Arms allowed were the same as those in the Visitation of London, but without the crest and without tinctures.

The Surrey Visitation of 1662 (D.15, folio 96r) gives the pedigree of Whitlock of Wokingham, co.Berks, John married with a son Richard of London, merchant, married to Katherine Burchett, with issue, Robert of Clapham, co.Surrey, merchant, married to Mary Maddison and having issue Richard, son and heir, aged 10 in 1662 and five daughters. No arms are shown.

The funeral certificate of Sir James Whitlocke, Knight, J.P. who died 21 June 1632, is entered in I.24, folio 20d (see the Visitation of London described above). He was buried in the church of Fawley Court and an inscription was placed thereon by his son, Bulstrode, who married firstly Rebecca Bennett by whom he had a son James, aged 3½ and secondly Frances Willoughby, by whom, in 1632 he had no issue.

The arms allowed were the same as those allowed at the Visitations of London and Buckinghamshire.

A pedigree in 7.D.14, page 264, connects Whitelock of St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, London, with Hutchins and is an 18th century pedigree of two generations. No arms are shown.

Another record, Norfolk 31, page 174, connects Whitlock of New York with Gibb. Here it is shown that Bache McEvers Whitlock had issue, namely, Bache McEvers Whitlock born in 1915, Emmet Whitlock born in 1919 and Cynthia, born 1921.

A change of name is also recorded from Whitlock to Hughes, dated 12th May 1795 (I.35, page 2) when the arms of Hughes were granted to the petitioner, the former Hugh Whitelock of Hoddesdon, co. Herts, eldest son and heir of Peter Whitelock of St. Botolph Bishopsgate on 12th August of that year. (Grants 19, page 95). This is the family detailed in 7.D.14.

The arms of Whitlocke of co. Devon are given in Vincent 161, folio 6r, but here the bird in the crest is shown as issuing from a mural crown vair, rather than from a Tower. No dates are given. In Vincent's Old Grants I, folio 222r arms were confirmed by William Dethick, Garter King of Arms, to Richard Whitlock, son of Richard, on 20th April 1592. The coat was that containing the three birds, here described as Falcons.

The only modern grant was made on 30th September 1955 to John Wilson Whitlock of Woodcote Park Avenue, Furley, co. Surrey and of Kingsway, co. London: Or on a Bend Vert between in chief an open Book proper bound Vert and in base a Fetterlock of the last a Quill pen point downward of the field. Crest: A Basket proper bedecked and interlaced with Pink Ribbon and filled with Spring Flowers also proper.

The arms which you submitted Azure a Fess between three Lozenges Or are nowhere recorded for a family of your name. Although the design, in other tinctures, is recorded for various families, with a blue field and gold charges, it does not appear to appertain to any family listed either in the official records, or in the unofficial printed reference books.

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