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example from a Louisiana Parish will give you an idea what to expect from a specific listing: Morehouse Parish organized 1844 from Ouachita Territory Morehouse Parish Clerk of Court (120 South Franklin, Bastrop, LA 71220 - location) PO Box 1543 (mailing address) Bastrop, LA 71221 Telephone fax numbers Web address Carol Jones (deeds and mortgages from 1844, naturalization records from 1871 to 1901, probate records from 1870) Probate search service: \$10.00; copies of probate records: \$1.00 per page plus SASA, \$2.00 for certification, no minimum. Most of the listings have very similar information, but some have more. I found that listing current prices for such things as the price of photocopies of records will be very helpful to most people. A simple call or email can give you some much needed information without an excessive amount of legwork. This an up to date edition as the last one came out in 1995. In addition to this book I would also recommend two others, "The Genealogist's Address Book: State and Local Resources With Special Resources Including Ethnic and Religious Organizations," (6th edition) also by this author, and the "International Vital Records Handbook: Births Marriages Deaths" (5th edition) by Thomas Jay Kemp. There are many reasons for purchasing these books, but they will be of high interest to the genealogist and can be used for many years.

This is a complete overhaul of the 1990 classic, featuring updated coverage of 3,125 county jurisdictions and 1,577 New England towns and independent Virginia cities, details of the 18 Vermont probate districts, 9 Massachusetts districts, and 12 Connecticut judicial districts, plus informative state profiles and cross-references to name changes and extinct towns and counties. Based on her written survey of county courthouses and other jurisdictions, Mrs. Bentley here presents the names, addresses, phone numbers, and dates of organization of all county courthouses, and for those that responded (65 percent), a concise summary of record holdings, personnel, and services. Besides its obvious genealogical uses, the County Courthouse Book can also be used for land title searches, legal investigations, questions of property rights and inheritance, and indeed for personal searches and investigations of all kinds. But it is the genealogist who stands to benefit most from the book because it offers a concise guide to the county courthouses and courthouse records which are the main focus of his research. Just the book he's always needed!

From Library Journal Constructed from a survey sent to county courthouses across the United States, this reference lists the extent of county records in four major groups of interest to genealogists and others--land, vital, naturalization, and probate records. Organized alphabetically by state, each county courthouse entry is headed by a sketch of its judicial structure. An introduction gives needed background on the response to the survey and how the data was compiled, although this information would have been enhanced with a reproduction of the actual survey. Inclusion of a list of a state's counties and a map showing the placement of the counties would have been beneficial as well. A source bibliography gives additional reference material. Libraries with active genealogical division or genealogical associations may find this handy; others may skip.- Susan M. Dunn, Woodbury Cty. Law Lib., Sioux City, Ia. Copyright 1990 Reed Business Information, Inc.