

Markdown Glossary for SWP Files

This document is a quick reference glossary of the markdown syntax and HTML tags used in the SWP files on the Salem Witchcraft Trials site.

Dates

There is some latitude to the formatting of the definitive, bracketed dates for each document. However, that format must still be machine-readable as a full date. Archaic spelling or formatting, extraneous or missing characters or punctuation, two-digit years, and the such will all confuse the software designed to parse modern date strings.

ex. Well formatted date

```
[+ May 3, 1693 ]
```

ex. Incorrectly formatted dates

```
[+ January 13, 1693
[this 28 of June An'o 1692 ]
[MAy 13, 1692]
[May the 23, 1692 ]
[September 9, 92 ]
[10 August 1692. ]
[2. May 2, 1692]
[Passed November 2.]
```

Bad dates will not show up on the search, but will not otherwise break the site. The search generator produces a list of bracketed entries that look like dates, but that it can't understand, and also a list of documents that are missing dates entirely, so bad dates should be easy to discover.

<div>

The **<div>** tag is an HTML tag used to wrap contents of case documents in SWP files and the case document title. The contents of this tag drive keyword searching, and the tag must be formatted exactly as in these examples

ex. *Case Document*

```
<div markdown class="doc" id="n6.1">
  Text of case document
</div>
```

Note that the closing **</div>** tag is placed at the end of the section of text comprising the case document.

ex. *Title of A Case Document*

```
<div class="doc_id">SWP No. 6.1</div>
```

Note that this tag is closed after the text of the document title.

Front Matter

The front matter is markdown style metadata about the case transcribed in the markdown file. These fields are required, and must be the top five lines of the file, formatted exactly as shown in the example. Each label described below should be separated from the contents of the label by a colon.

title: The title of the case, in the format `_SWP No. ###: FIRST LAST_`
(of the accused)
date: The date of the case, in the format `YYYY-MM-DD`
slug: The SWP case number
category: Used to distinguish between different markdown sets. For SWP documents, this should always be `'swp'`
tags: Used to track all individuals named in a case. The person ids should be separated by a comma.

ex.

```
title: SWP No. 006: John Alden
date: 1692-05-31
slug: n6
category: swp
tags: walcott_mary, noyes_nicholas, booth_elizabeth, putnam_ann_jr,
lewis_mercy, hill_zebulon, stoughton_william, williams_nathaniel,
rice_nicholas, checkley_samuel, carrier_martha, williams_abigail,
richards_john, gidney_bartholomew, warren_mary, arnold_john,
rice_sarah, corwil_jonathan, hathorn_john, alden_john
```

Heading

The # character followed by a space creates a level 1 heading. This is used for the titles in case documents.

ex.

```
# (Complaint v. [Joan Peney] (/tag/penjoa.html) & Statement of Bond to
Prosecute )
```

Image Link

To include a link to the page image of a case document, use the following code

```
<span markdown class="figure">[![Figure name for display on web
page](url for small inline image)](url for full size document)</span>
```

ex.

```
<span markdown class="figure">[![Figure
B29r](archives/BPL/gifs/B29A.gif)](archives/BPL/LARGE/B29A.jpg)</span>
```

Name Link

To make proper names from the case documents searchable, they must be linked to the official tag list of person ids using the following code

```
[First Last] (/tag/personid.html)
```

ex.

```
[Zebulon Hill] (/tag/hilzeb.html)
```


The HTML **** tag is used to style image figures included in the document. See **Image Link** entry above.