Household of William, Duke of Gloucester (1751-1805)

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(incorporating officers also serving Prince Henry to 1765)

Prince William’s servants were originally paid on the establishment of Augusta, Princess Dowager of Wales. He received his own establishment circa 1760, though many servants were shared with Prince Henry until 1765. He was allotted £29,000 for the support of his household.¹

1. *NDNB*.

Nursery

Governor to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1760-c. 1765

By 1760          Le Grand, E.

Deputy Governor to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1760-c. 1765

By 1760          Charles, G.

Secretary and Revenue

Secretary c. 1765-1805

By 1765          Duvall, P.

Treasurer c. 1766-1805

By 1766          Le Grand, E.
By 1767          Le Grand, W.
By 1782          Duvall, P.

Secretary to the Treasurer c. 1783-1805

By 1793          Miller, F.

Chamber and Bedchamber

Page of the Presence Chamber c. 1766-1805
One page of the Presence Chamber was named in by 1766, three by 1768, four by 1771, falling back to three by 1773, then two by 1800.\(^1\)

1. *RK* [1771], p. 90; ibid. [1773], p. 91; ibid. [1800], p. 113.

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**Grooms of the Bedchamber c. 1764-1805**

By 1767 there were three grooms of the Bedchamber. Their number rose to four in 1772 but fell back to three by 1781, fluctuating thereafter between one and three.\(^1\)

1. *CCR* [1767], p. 94; *RK* [1772], p. 90; ibid. [1781], p. 89; ibid. [1782], p. 89; ibid. [1789], p. 102; ibid. [1793], p. 102; ibid. [1805], p. 129.

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**Pages of the Backstairs to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1751-c. 1765**

By the establishment of Michaelmas 1751 the two pages of the backstairs to Prince William and Prince Henry made £70 per annum apiece (£40 in salary and £30 in boardwages).\(^1\)

1. EB 30, pp. [31], 62.
1751 15 June    Eiser, J.
1751 16 June    Higher, H.
By 1757       Mulcaster, W.
By 1762       Miller, F.
By 1762       Stiel, A.

Pages of the Bedchamber [or Backstairs] c. 1766-c. 1779

By 1767 there were three pages of the Bedchamber.¹

1. CCR [1767], p. 94.

By 1766       Higher, H.
By 1766       Stiel, A.
By 1767       Adamson, R.

Page c. 1793-1805

By 1793       Jackson, --
By 1793       Rochart, --

Pages’ Man c. 1763-?

By 1763       Bowdler, E.
By 1766       Hunter, W.

House Maids c. 1767-?1784

By 1767 there were three house maids; by 1771 there were six.¹

1. CCR [1767], p. 95; ibid. [1771], p. 95.

Surgeon c. 1769-1805

By 1769       Ogle, W.
By 1792       Charlton, --

Apothecary 1805
By 1805       Brande, E. A.

**Chaplain 1805**

By 1805       Armstrong, T.

**Mathematical Master to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1764-c. 1765**

By 1764       Lepinas, --

**Music Master c. 1764-c. 1765**

By 1764       Gordon, J.
By 1765       Weideman, C.

**Music Master to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1765-?**

By 1764       Dubourg, M.

**Musicians c. 1774-c. 1789**

Two musicians served.

By 1774       Cirri, G.
By 1774       Giardini, F.

**Dancing Master to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1764-c. 1765**

By 1764       Desnoyer, P.

**Writing Master to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1764-c. 1765**

By 1764       Bulley, J.

**French Master to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1765**

By 1765       Duvall, P.
Drawing Master c. 1765

By 1765 Bonneau, [?J.]

Fencing Master to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1764-c. 1765

By 1764 Angelo, --

Wardrobe Keeper to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1764-?

By 1764 Higher, H.

Housekeeper to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1762-c. 1765

By 1765 there were two housekeepers.¹

¹ CCR [1765], p. 101.

By 1762 Davis, --
By 1762 Findlay, --
By 1764 Baker, --

Housekeeper at Kew to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1764-?

By 1762 Davis, --

Housekeeper c. 1765-c. 1788

By 1765 Wood, H.

Porter to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1765-?

By 175 Flowers, J.

Porter c. 1767-1805

By 1767 Shields, J.
By 1805 Schneider, --
Household Below Stairs

**House Steward c. 1789-c. 1805**

By 1789  Stiel, A.
By 1793  Galloway, J.

**Clerk of the Kitchen to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1760-c. 1764**

By 1760  Cloprogge, --

**Clerk of the Kitchen c. 1774-c. 1777**

By 1774  Davis, R.

**Cook to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1760-c. 1765**

By 1760  Smith, J.
By 1764  Flowers, --

**Cook c. 1765-c. 1799**

By 1765  Stayt, E.
By 1771  Davis, R.
By 1774  Overback, C.
By 1778  Plinke, F.
By 1786  Rollin, L.
By 1789  Chevalier, --
By 1791  Plincke, --

**Butler and Porter to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1760-c. 1765**

By 1760  Flowers, J.

**Butler c. 1765-c. 1793**

By 1765  Shields, J.
By 1768  Lockhart, A.
By 1789
Snider, P.

**Under Butler c. 1767-?**

By 1766
Glazard, J.

**Kitchen Maids c. 1767-?**

By 1767 there were two kitchen maids.\(^1\)

1. *CCR* [1767], p. 95.

**Table Decker to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1765-?**

By 1765
Flowers, --

**Stables**

**Master (or Gentleman) of the Horse c. 1768-c. 1777**

By 1768
West, G.

**Clerk of the Stables to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1760-c. 1792**

By 1760
Stiel, A.

**Riding Master to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1764-c. 1765**

By 1764
Durell, --

**Equerries c. 1765-1805**

By 1766 there were three equerries, falling to two by 1772, rising again to three by 1779.\(^1\)

1. *CCR* [1767], p. 94; *RK* [1772], p. 90; ibid. [1779], p. 89.

By 1765
Blackwell, [?S.]

By 1766
Cox, W.
By 1766 Rainsford, C.
By 1770 Heywood, --
By 1779 Pleydell, --
By 1782 Bennett, H. A.
By 1782 Lowther, J.
By 1782 Vincent, H. D.
By 1789 Pierre, B.
By 1790 Bennett, H. A.
By 1791 Charlton, --
By 1791 Cox, W.
By 1791 Gage, J.
By 1792 Speed, --
By 1805 White, F. C.

**Coachmen to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1765-?**

By 1765 there were also an unnamed postillion and a helper. By 1767 there were two coachmen, by 1771 two postillions and two helpers.¹

1. *CCR [1765]*, p. 101; ibid. [1767], p. 95; *RK [1771]*, p. 90.

By 1760 Croft, --
By 1789 Wilkinson, --

**Footmen c. 1760-?**

By 1760 there were two footmen to Prince William and Prince Henry. By 1767 there were 5 footmen serving Prince William, rising to six plus two running footmen by 1771.¹

1. *CCR [1760]*, p. 100; ibid. [1767], p. 95; *RK [1771]*, p. 90.

**Grooms c. 1765-?**

By 1765 there were three unnamed grooms. Their number had risen to four by 1767, six by 1771.¹

1. *CCR [1765]*, p. 101; ibid. [1767], p. 95; *RK [1771]*, p. 90.

**Runners c. 1767-?**
By 1767 there were two runners.

1. CCR [1767], p. 95.

Pages to Prince William Frederick 1793-1805

Two pages served.

By 1793           Jackson, --
By 1793           Rochart, --