

# Quick Guide - Converting a street address to a Vol-Fol and Lot/DP number (Torrens title)

## Background

From 1863 to 1961 Torrens Title Certificates were kept in bound volumes. Each title had a volume and a folio (page) number (colloquially known as Vol-Fol). All relevant information was kept on this one title which means you can see current as well as historical owners on the one document. Vol-Fols up to Vol No. 8497 can be found online on the Land Registry Services HLRV website. You can then purchase the additional paperwork associated with the dealings listed on the title deed from NSWLRS. Various reasons such as subdivision and lack of space on the page necessitated a new volume and folio on occasion. The new volume and folio numbers are often given on the old volume and folio so you can still follow the chain of titles.

The quickest way to convert a street address to a volume and folio number (vol-fol) is through the NSW Land Registry Services (NSWLRS) website.

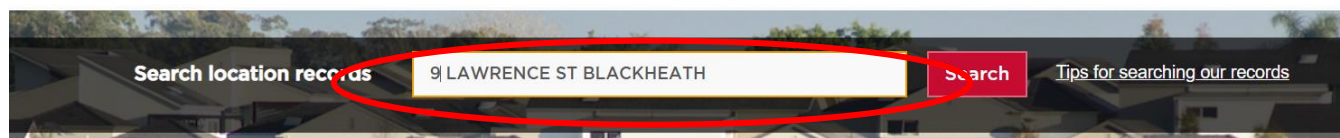
Go to <http://www.nswlrs.com.au>

1. Select NSWLRS Online portal under Quick Links

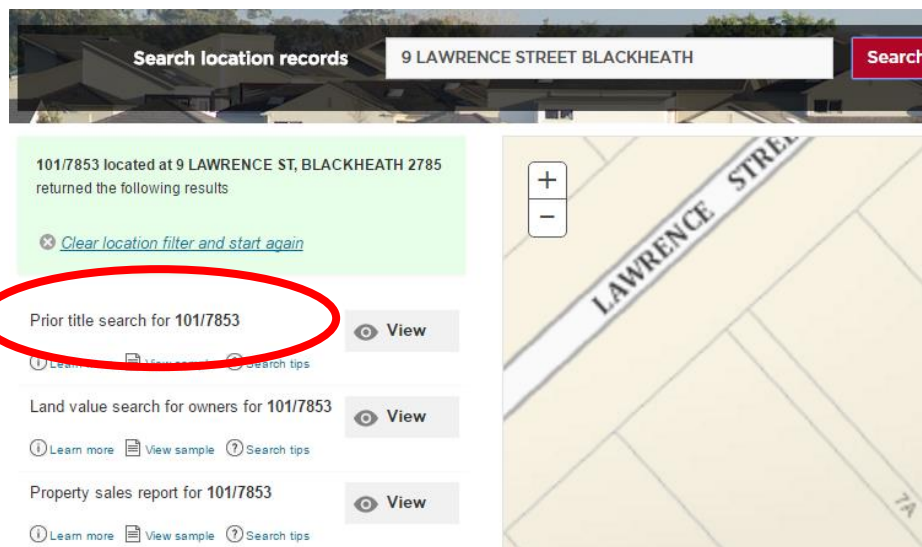
### QUICK LINKS

- [Approved information brokers](#)
- [National e-Conveyancing NSW](#)
- [Registrar General's Guidelines](#)
- [NSW LRS Online portal](#)

2. Tick the box to accept the terms and conditions and click on the red **Proceed** button
3. Put in the address in the search box a click the red **Search** button



Prior title search should now be displaying the Lot/DP number.



4. Click on the grey **View** button.

5. After a captcha test you will should see a box like this:



This is a volume and folio number (or Torrens Title Certificate Number).

## Where Next

- If your search was successful and your **volume number is less the 8497**, you can now go to HLRV website (<http://hrlv.nswlrs.com.au/>) to find the actual Title Deed for this Volume and Folio number. Instructions are available in the **Guide to Historic Land Records Viewer (HLRV), SiX Maps and NSW LRS Online Portal** available to use from the Information Desk. Follow the steps in section 3.1.7: Old Form Torrens Register How to find.
- If your search was successful and your **volume number is higher than 8497** you will can purchase your title from NSWLRS or an approved information broker
- If your search was unsuccessful please refer to the full **Guide to Historic Land Records Viewer (HLRV), SiX Maps and NSW LRS Online Portal** available to use from the Information Desk for alternate methods of searching.