

1. I _____ was born on _____
at _____
City County State

2. I am the child of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
married on _____ at _____
City County State

3. The said _____ was the _____
of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
married on _____ at _____
City County State

4. The said _____ was the _____
of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
married on _____ at _____
City County State

5. The said _____ was the _____
of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
married on _____ at _____
City County State

6. The said _____ was the _____
of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
married on _____ at _____
City County State

7. The said _____ was the _____
of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
married on _____ at _____
City County State

8. The said _____ was the _____
of _____
born on _____ at _____
City County State
died on _____ at _____
City County State
_____ his wife
married on _____ at _____
City County State

BASIC RULES OF EVIDENCE

THIS APPLICATION AND THE ACCOMPANYING PROVING DOCUMENTS WILL BE ADJUDGED AS FOLLOWS:

PRIMARY OR COLLATERAL EVIDENCE FROM VITAL STATISTICS, COURT HOUSE OR OTHER GOVERNMENT RECORDS, CHURCH AND SCHOOL RECORDS, ETC., IS CONSIDERED USUALLY TO BE BEYOND DOUBT AND EXCELLENT PROOF.

SECONDARY EVIDENCE, SUCH AS CENSUS RECORDS, NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS, OLD LETTERS, BIBLE OR OTHER FAMILY RECORDS, CONTEMPORARY TO THE FACTS REPORTED ARE CONSIDERED ALMOST AS AUTHENTIC.

CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE OR HEARSAY IS NOT CONSIDERED AS PROOF UNLESS BACKED UP BY PRIMARY OR SECONDARY EVIDENCE.

ORAL, WRITTEN, OR PUBLISHED FAMILY TRADITIONS ARE VERY OFTEN WRONG AND ARE NOT ACCEPTED AS PROOF.

ALL PROOF DOCUMENTS MUST BY THEMSELVES OR IN COMINATION WIT OTHER DOCUMENTS ACUTALLY STATE THE FACT TO BE PROVED IMPLIED EVIDEN IS NOT ACCEPTED AS PROOF.

This application, information, and all supporting documents and data become the property of the PCGS.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE FIRST SETTLERS OF PORTAGE COUNTY, OHIO

Any member of the Portage County Genealogical Society who is a direct descendant of an individual who settled in the Area now encompassed by Portage County by 1840, may become a member of THE FIRST SETTLERS OF PORTAGE COUNTY on the acceptance of an application with proof of such descent and the payment of an application fee. This application must first be accepted by THE FIRST SETTLERS OF PORTAGE COUNTY Committee and then by THE PORTAGE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Executive Board. If the applicant is an out-of-county resident, the application will go directly to the PORTAGE COUNTY FIRST SETTLERS Committee in care of THE PORTAGE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, Ravenna, OH 44266.

Give the volume and page for book references and include a copy machine, photo, or other facsimile copy of the pertinent pages, and for all published or unpublished records for proof. Typed, hand printed, or written copies of documents, not certified as "True Copies", are not acceptable as proof. Published or manuscript material authored by the applicant or his family will not of themselves be accepted as proof. Information for additional ancestral lines may be included on blank pages, showing the tie-in to the lines on the basic application. If more than two lines are submitted, please include an ancestral chart to show the inter-connections.

Authorities as to settlement in Portage County by 1840, upon whom eligibility is claimed:

Authorities as to descent: (List and include facsimile copies as stated above)

East step must be proved.

- 1. _____

- 2. _____

- 3. _____

- 4. _____

- 5. _____

- 6. _____

- 7. _____

I _____ do hereby swear that the statements set forth in this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Applicant _____ *Date* _____