

PIONEER FAMILIES
OF
CRAWFORD COUNTY OHIO



The Crawford County Genealogical Society

Of Crawford County Ohio

P. O. Box 1033

Bucyrus, OH 44820

APPLICATION
THE PIONEER FAMILIES
OF CRAWFORD COUNTY OHIO

CRAWFORD CO. GENEALOGY SOCIETY, P. O. BOX 1033, BUCYRUS, OH 44820

Applicants Name	Street Address	County	
Full name of husband or wife	City	State	Zip

ANCESTORS OF THE APPLICANT WHO WERE SETTLED IN CRAWFORD COUNTY BY 1850

NAME OF ANCESTOR	Year first proved in Crawford County	Migrated from (State or County)	Approved by CCGS

APPROVED BY:

Date _____ Chairman Pioneer Family Committee _____

Crawford County Chapter President _____

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

Crawford County Chapter O.G.S. Inc.

P. O. Box 1033, Bucyrus, OH 44820

CCGS USE ONLY
PFOCC NUMBER _____
Date Received _____
Acceptance Date _____
Fee Received _____

REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN PIONEER FAMILIES OF CRAWFORD COUNTY, OHIO

Applicants must complete an application showing their Crawford County, Ohio pioneer ancestor(s), listing their descent from the pioneer ancestor(s), and documenting their descent and the pioneer ancestor(s) settlement in what is now the County of Crawford on or before 31 December 1850.

Original applications for membership in the Pioneer Families of Crawford County, Ohio, must be accompanied by a non-returnable \$10.00 fee, which covers all pioneers listed in that submission. This fee covers a certificate and Pioneer Families pin which the applicant will receive. Each supplemental application for other ancestor(s) at a later date will have a fee of \$3.00. A certificate will be awarded for the supplemental application, but no additional pin will be given.

RULES OF EVIDENCE

The nature and extent of the evidence submitted as proof in all applications shall be sufficient to prove that the applicant is directly descended from the pioneer ancestor(s) named in the application, and that it is sufficient to differentiate between any two persons of the same name residing in the same area at the same time. Proof must be included to show residence in Crawford County by 31 December 1850.

Documentation **MUST** be provided for each date listed, even if only an approximation (i.e. born about 1785-1790 as per 1820 census).

BASIC RULES

1. Primary or collateral evidence from vital statistics, courthouse, or other government records, church and school records, etc. are considered excellent documentation.
2. Secondary evidence, such as census records, and newspaper clippings, might be used as corroborative evidence. County histories and family records, **CONTEMPORARY TO THE FACTS REPORTED** are considered as evidence only.
3. Circumstantial evidence, implied facts or hearsay, will **NOT** be accepted as documentation unless supported by primary or secondary evidence.
4. Oral, written or published family traditions may be in error and **CANNOT** be accepted as documentation. Material authored by the applicant or a member of his or her family cannot be considered as proof.
5. Printed or manuscript genealogies, genealogical records or compilations, family group sheets and charts, family reunion records and similar material are **NOT** considered as documentation. Unsupported information from an amateur or professional genealogist is not acceptable, including such records printed in any genealogical, historical, or similar publication.

6. Lineage papers, accepted or unaccepted, from other patriotic or hereditary societies will not be considered as documentation.
7. Documents MUST, either alone or with other acceptable documents, ACTUALLY STATE THE FACT TO BE PROVED. Examples of implied proof which are not acceptable are:
 - a. Unnamed individuals specified in court records as "heirs" or "heirs-at-law," unless it is known that applicable laws at the time included only bloodline descendants, cannot be assumed to be the person in question.
 - b. Census records which show the name of the head of the family only, along with numbers of family members or others by age group, prove only the family head actually named. Next door neighbors on a census or tax record do not prove any relationship by themselves.
 - c. A father is not proved as being in an area just because his child was born there. The birth only proves the mother was there!
 - d. Blood descent is not necessarily proved by owning the same land as an earlier owner by the same name, whether the land was inherited or purchased.
8. Documents written or printed in a foreign language must be accompanied by a translation into English and the translation certified as a "true translation" by the translator (not the applicant or a family member).
9. Old letters or family records can be accepted as documentation only for the facts that the writer could logically know as CONTEMPORARY KNOWLEDGE. Identification of the writer and the date is necessary. County histories or other published biographies also should have been written by someone with contemporary knowledge, not hearsay, to be acceptable.
10. Land transactions (deeds, warrants, grants, etc.) and tax records can only be accepted as evidence of settlement in Crawford County by 1850 if the record actually states that the individual was "of the county" and was dated on or before 31 December 1850. Land records of Richland and Marion Counties prior to 1846 are acceptable if the land that was located in those areas is now located within the borders of Crawford County.
11. Maiden names need not be proved for pioneer women.
12. Illegitimacy is not grounds for denial.
13. A direct line from applicant to pioneer ancestor must be documented at every step. Collateral descent is not applicable. Adopted children do not qualify as a step in lineage; bloodline descent only is acceptable.

14. All documents must state their source. Documentation is required for each date listed. Bible records must include a photocopy of the title page with publication date and current owner's name and address. Newspaper clippings must be identified by the name of the newspaper and the date the clippings appeared. Book references must give volume and page and include a photocopy of the title page and pertinent pages for identification.
15. Typed, handwritten or printed copies of original documents must be certified as a "True Copy" by a courthouse or other official, or a librarian, etc. An applicant or member of his or her family cannot certify a document as a "True Copy." Photocopies of original documents are acceptable as copied if there are no changes on the original.
16. Married female applicants, who use their husband's surname, must include a copy of their marriage record to document their change of name. Each legal name change must be documented.
17. Photographs of tombstones usually prove only birth and death dates, however, some relationships are shown and are considered good proof.
18. If an ancestor has been previously proved by another individual, the applicant may submit documentation only to the nearest common ancestor, if so desired. A citation to the name and number of the PFOCCO (Pioneer Families of Crawford County Ohio) member must be included. If, however, the previous file proving the common ancestor is incomplete, the applicant must then provide full documentation.
19. It is required that a copy of an ancestral chart be included with the application. (See attached form with this application)
20. All documents become the property of the Crawford County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society.
21. Reminder: A statement is not necessarily true just because it is in print.

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4. The said _____ is the _____ son or daughter Doc #
of _____ Doc #

born on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

died on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

and spouse _____
First Middle Surname Doc #

born on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

died on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

married on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

5. The said _____ is the _____ son or daughter Doc #
of _____ Doc #

born on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

died on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

and spouse _____
First Middle Surname Doc #

born on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

died on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

married on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

6. The said _____ is the _____ son or daughter Doc #
of _____ Doc #

born on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

died on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

and spouse _____
First Middle Surname Doc #

born on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

died on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

married on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

7. The said _____ is the _____
son or daughter Doc #
of _____
Doc #

born on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

died on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

and spouse _____
First Middle Surname Doc #

born on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

died on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

married on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

8. The said _____ is the _____
son or daughter Doc #
of _____
Doc #

born on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

died on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

and spouse _____
First Middle Surname Doc #

born on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

died on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

married on _____ at _____
date City or township County State Doc #

SUPPLEMENTAL LINES

(Make additional copies of this page when submitting more than two pioneer ancestral lines.)

The said _____ is the _____ son or daughter Doc #
of _____ Doc #
born on _____ at _____ date City or township County State Doc #
died on _____ at _____ date City or township County State Doc #
and spouse _____ First Middle Surname Doc #
born on _____ at _____ date City or township County State Doc #
died on _____ at _____ date City or township County State Doc #
married on _____ at _____ date City or township County State Doc #

The said _____ is the _____ son or daughter Doc #
of _____ Doc #
born on _____ at _____ date City or township County State Doc #
died on _____ at _____ date City or township County State Doc #
and spouse _____ First Middle Surname Doc #
born on _____ at _____ date City or township County State Doc #
died on _____ at _____ date City or township County State Doc #
married on _____ at _____ date City or township County State Doc #

DOCUMENTATION RECORD

Each claim made about your ancestor must be proven. Each proving document you submit should be identified by giving it a number (1, 2, 3, etc.) and clearly writing its identifying number on the front upper right-hand corner. **DO NOT SUBMIT ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS.** Copies of documents may be photocopies or other facsimiles of the original OR exact typed or hand-printed copies of the original that are certified as true copies by a court house official, genealogical librarian or other official. Include all identifying information such as author/title/ volume/page number, census source, family document , cemetery name/location, etc. Write the appropriate document number in the space provided on the application chart.

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24. _____

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

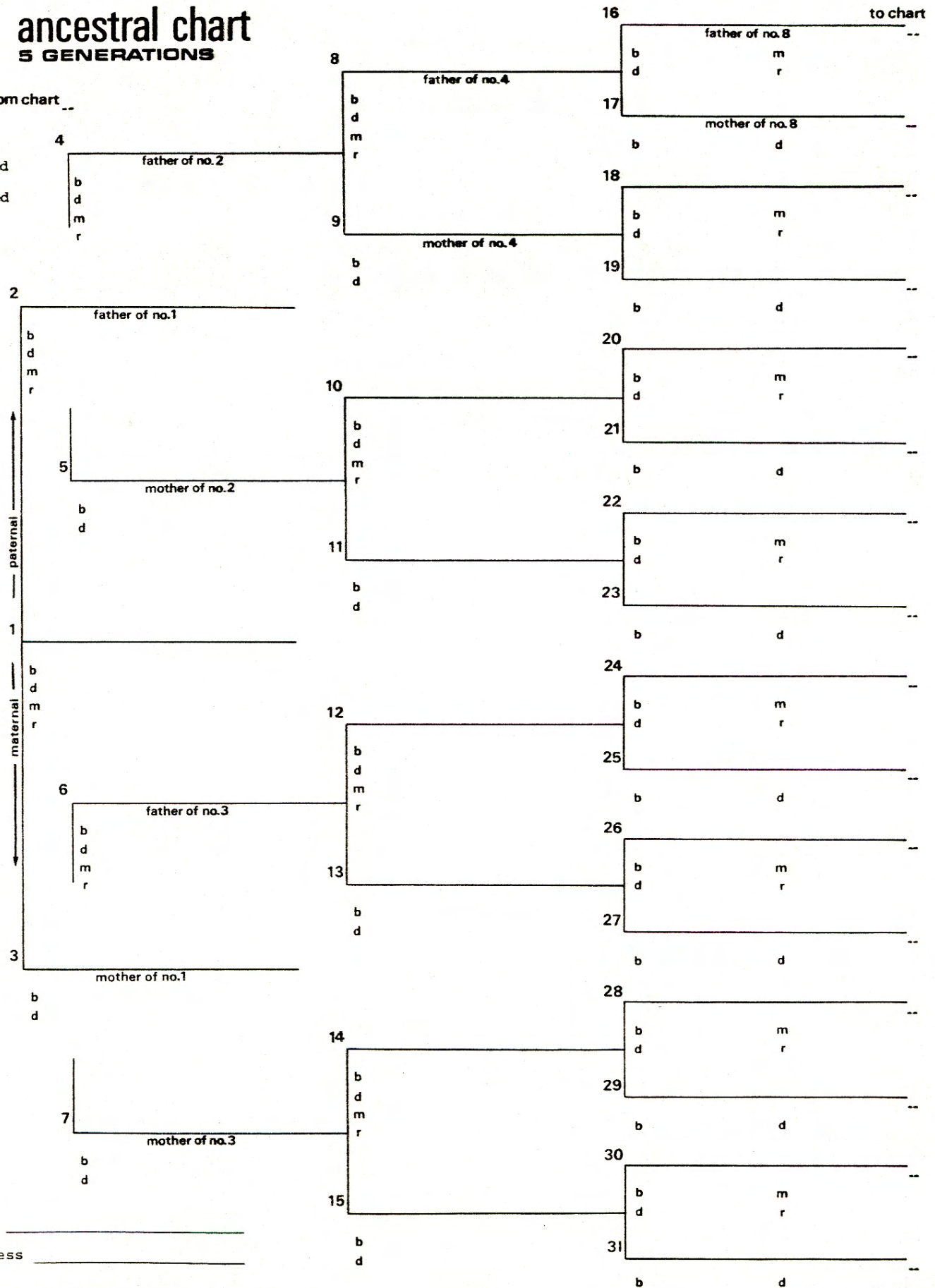
Signature of applicant _____ Date _____

ancestral chart

5 GENERATIONS

from chart ..

b=born
m=married
d=died
r=resided



Name _____

Address _____

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