

Applicant's Name

### **Application**

# The First Families Of



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## Morrow County

Street Address

Morrow County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 401, Mt. Gilead, Ohio 43338

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I am ( ) am not ( ) a member o	f the MORROW CO. GENEA	ALOGICAL SOCIETY	
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This application, information and all supporting documents and data become the property of the MORROW COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

#### FIRST FAMILIES OF MORROW COUNTY

The purpose of "First Families of Morrow County" is to honor our pioneer ancestors who braved the wilderness to raise their families and their cabins.

While we are one of the youngest counties, we have the advantage of using the 1850 census, which affords the opportunity of locating our ancestral family members by name, rather than by just a mark on the census form. But since our ancestors settled in parts of the four counties which surrendered land to establish our present boundaries, we must search for the earliest possible arrival in those areas.

The date of December 31, 1850 is established as the latest date you can claim your ancestor to be one of the "First Families", but you are encouraged to reach back to the very first. And as you may desire to become one of the "First Families of Ohio", it is essential that our rules follow the O.G.S. rules as closely as possible.

But – first we make this exception – to honor the women who bore more than their share of toil and privations, it will not be necessary to prove the surname of the pioneer mother. (However, it is desired if at all possible.) Outside of this point, every step must be documented.

#### Evidence that will be accepted:

- Court records, either obtained from the court itself or from records preserved in libraries, which should be certified by an officer of the court or by a librarian.
- Obituaries are a good source of information. The newspaper's masthead should be copied to show the source of the obituary or other newspaper clippings.
- Church, school, census records, old letters, Bible records (which must include a copy of the title page showing printing or copyright date), wills, etc. are usually good proof, although they MUST state the facts and not simply imply them.
- Birth and marriage records are a must to prove any change of name.
- County histories and published books are acceptable.

Please note: all records, including those found online, should include a copy showing the source. Only copies should be submitted; DO NOT submit your original documents.

Family histories and hearsay are not accepted; they are only a place to begin searching.

In addition to the information requested on the application forms, a five-generation chart, with the applicant as #1, MUST be submitted. All documents shall become the property of the Morrow County Genealogical Society.

Numbers will be assigned in the order the approved applications are received. A certificate and attractive badge will be awarded to all applicants who qualify. To defray the cost of the certificate, application forms, and badge, a fee of \$15 for members of the Morrow County Genealogical Society will be charged. For non-members the fee will be \$25, which must accompany the application.

Further information, application and forms may be obtained from the Morrow County Genealogical Society.

#### **FOOTNOTES**

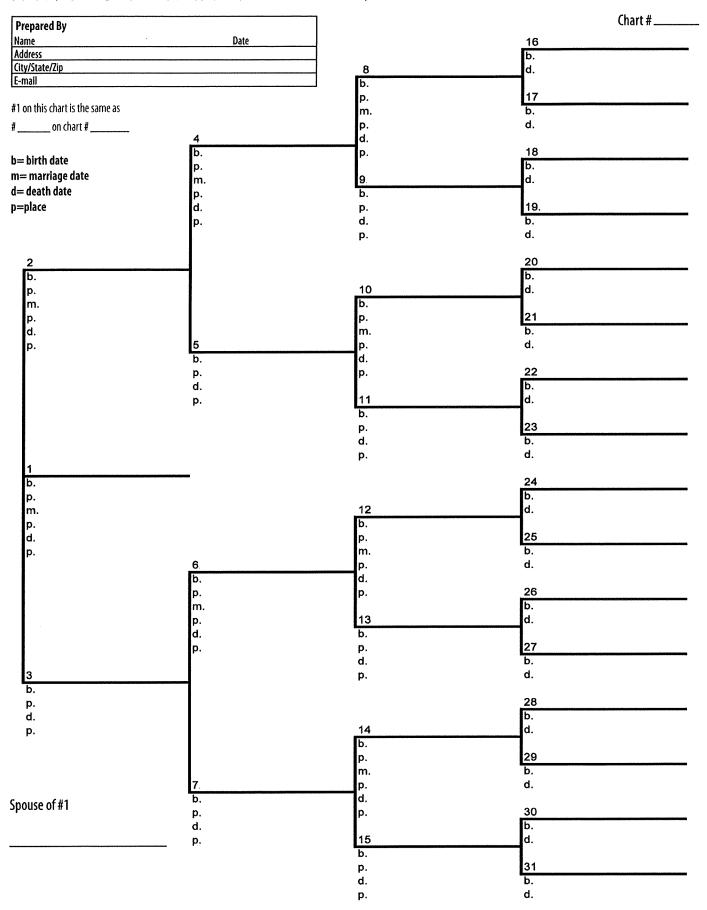
Each claim made about your ancestor must be proven. Each proving document you submit should be identified by giving it a letter (A,B,C, etc.) and clearly writing its identifying letter on the front. DO NOT SUBMIT ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. Copies of documentation may be (1) photographed or photocopied or (2) if an actual copy is not available, applicants may substitute a typed, hand printed, or written transcription of documents. Transcripts must be certified as TRUE COPIES, as certified by a librarian or court official. The source of each document should be indicated on the front.

Fill out the chart. At the end of each line, put the number of the footnote line (below) on which you cited the document (including their identifying letters) which prove the claim to be true. For example, suppose you claim that Jane Roe died on 7 May 1847. On a blank footnote line cite the document which shows that this is so, and write the number of the footnote on the appropriate line. (Example: The said Jane Roe died on 7 May 1847 at Athens County, Ohio...Footnote line 7. Death Certificate — Document F).

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