



COLORADO COUNCIL OF GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES

P.O. Box 40270
Denver CO 80204-0270

FIRST FAMILIES OF COLORADO RECOGNITION PROGRAM APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in the First Families of Colorado Recognition Program. The purpose of this program is to recognize those families that contributed to the settlement and growth of early Colorado. Upon approval of your application, a certificate will be issued, attractively designed and suitable for framing.

Eligibility — Applicant need not currently reside in Colorado, but must be a direct descendent of an ancestor who qualifies in one of the three following categories: (applicants must be 18 years of age)

- **First Family** — Ancestor must have been born in or settled in the land area of what is now Colorado before 28 February 1861.
- **Territorial Family** — Ancestor must have been born in or settled in a territory that is now Colorado between 28 February 1861 and 01 August 1876.
- **Centennial Family** — Ancestor must have been born in or settled in Colorado at least 100 years prior to the date of this application.

Proof of Eligibility — Applicant must submit proof of relationship between generations from applicant back to the earliest Colorado ancestor. Types of acceptable proofs are: records of birth, death, marriage, adoption, Bible and census; school and church records which have been certified by the school or church official, newspaper clippings showing the name of newspapers, locality and date; county histories, and other records showing proof. Land deeds are acceptable if they state individual is a resident of Colorado. Census record must be a copy of the microfilm or a printout of the census page from Ancestry.com or FamilySearch.org along with the notation of roll, page, dwelling and household numbers. Be sure to identify all book titles, publishers, publication dates, volume and page numbers, microfilm reel number and name of library or institution where proof is on file.

The ancestor must be documented through Colorado records made at or near the time of his residence in Colorado but he did not have to continue to reside in Colorado after the date of documentation.

Submit photocopies of documents only - - no originals. please.

The Colorado Council of Genealogical Societies will make all final decisions as to the acceptance or rejection of all applications.

Fee - \$25.00 non-refundable fee for each certificate requested. Make check payable to CCGS, Inc.
PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2 BEFORE COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION.

(Applicant's Name to Appear on Certificate)

(Ancestor's Name to Appear on Certificate)

(Applicant's Address)

(Applicant's City, State, ZIP)

(Applicant's Telephone Number)

(Applicant's Email Address)

☐ **First Families** ☐ **Territorial Families** ☐ **Centennial Families**

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Application Request _____ Fee Received _____

Application Approval _____

Certificate Issue Date _____ Certificate No. _____



FIRST FAMILIES OF COLORADO RECOGNITION PROGRAM APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Read entire application form before completing. Use a black ink pen or computer. Do not use pencil.

Use maiden names of all females, if known. Include counties, if known. If unsure of a place or date, enter what you think it to be, followed by a question mark.

Use extra sheets of paper if needed to submit additional information. Identify all sheets with your name and address.

For your own records, it is suggested that you make photocopies of the completed application form and all the material you submit with the application.

Mail check for \$25, completed application form, all photocopied proofs, and any additional sheets (do not fold material) in a manila mailing envelope to:

Family Recognition Program
Colorado Council of Genealogical Societies
P.O. Box P.O. Box 40270
Denver CO 80204-0270

You may email questions about the forms or process to Carol Darrow at cdarrow944@yahoo.com.

Page 3- Complete and submit the Family Tree Chart, entering yourself (applicant) as “You” and listing each generation back to your earliest DIRECT Colorado ancestor. Print another copy of the Family Tree Chart if you need to continue beyond one page. Enter the last generation on the first Family Tree Chart as “You” on the second Family Tree Chart and continue backward. All other ancestry not directly related to the applicant need not be filled in unless you wish to do so.

Page 4- Complete the Family Group Sheet on the earliest Colorado ancestor who settled in or was born in Colorado. List all copies of proofs being submitted with application. If you wish to submit completed Family Group Sheets for the generations between yourself and your ancestor, make photocopies of page 4 before you complete it.

GENERAL – If you wish to make application for more than one Colorado ancestor, a separate application form and check must be completed and submitted with the required proofs on each ancestor being filed for. Only one certificate issued to each application.



FAMILY TREE CHART

You Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Birth Place: _____ Marriage Date: _____ Marriage Place: _____	Spouse Name: _____
Father Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Birth Place: _____ Marriage Date: _____ Marriage Place: _____ Death Date: _____ Death Place: _____	Mother Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Birth Place: _____ Death Date: _____ Death Place: _____
Grandfather Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Birth Place: _____ Marriage Date: _____ Marriage Place: _____ Death Date: _____ Death Place: _____	Grandmother Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Birth Place: _____ Death Date: _____ Death Place: _____
Great-Grandfather Name: _____ Birth Date/Place: _____ Death Date/Place: _____	Great-Grandmother Name: _____ Birth Date/Place: _____ Death Date/Place: _____
Grandfather Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Birth Place: _____ Marriage Date: _____ Marriage Place: _____ Death Date: _____ Death Place: _____	Grandmother Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Birth Place: _____ Death Date: _____ Death Place: _____
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Grandfather Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Birth Place: _____ Marriage Date: _____ Marriage Place: _____ Death Date: _____ Death Place: _____	Grandmother Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Birth Place: _____ Death Date: _____ Death Place: _____
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Grandfather Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Birth Place: _____ Marriage Date: _____ Marriage Place: _____ Death Date: _____ Death Place: _____	Grandmother Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Birth Place: _____ Death Date: _____ Death Place: _____
Great-Grandfather Name: _____ Birth Date/Place: _____ Death Date/Place: _____	Great-Grandmother Name: _____ Birth Date/Place: _____ Death Date/Place: _____

(Print as many copies of this page as needed)

COLORADO FAMILY GROUP SHEET

Colorado Ancestor b. p.b. m. p.m. d. p.d. bur. p.bur.	Spouse of Colorado Ancestor b. p.b. d. p.d. bur. p.bur.
Father of #1 above b. p.b. m. p.m. d. p.d. bur. p.bur. s/o	Father of #2 above b. p.b. m. p.m. d. p.d. bur. p.bur. s/o
Mother of #1 above b. p.b. m. p.m. d. p.d. bur. p.bur. d/o	Mother of #2 above b. p.b. m. p.m. d. p.d. bur. p.bur. d/o

Colorado Ancestor settled in (Township, Territory or County) With whom? Date
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Children of Colorado Ancestor				
Sex	Name	Birth date & place	Marriage date & place	Death date & place

PROOFS SUBMITTED: (Proof of ancestor's earliest date In Colorado as well as proof connecting all generations between ancestor & applicant is required.)

b. Birth date m. Marriage date d. Death date bur. Burial date s/o Son of
 p.b. Place of birth p.m. Place of marriage p.d. Place of death p.bur. Place of burial d/o Daughter of