



PIONEER & SETTLER CERTIFICATE APPLICATION

Muskegon County Genealogical Society (MCGS)
Muskegon, Michigan

You must document both the residence of the Pioneer Ancestor in Muskegon County and the direct descent (bloodline only) to the applicant. Type or print on this form and provide proofs (**LEGIBLE COPIES ONLY**)—proofs will not be returned.

Fee: \$10 (non-refundable) per ancestor, Enclose Check or Money Order, no cash, payable to MCGS and mail to address at bottom of page. U.S \$ FUNDS

QUICK-START INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Start with Primary Applicant (you) as Generation 1; the Pioneer Ancestor will be the last generation. One application per Pioneer.
2. List your complete line-of-descent, starting with yourself as (Gen 1 or G1), your parents as (Gen2 or G2, etc., until you reach your pioneer Ancestor, who will be the last generation. Make sure you clip (**No Staples**) each generation separately.
3. Proofs required: (**COPIES ONLY**) each event (birth, marriage, death)—primary source if it exists; otherwise, 2 secondary, per event.
4. Date Format: Use Day/ Month/ Year format for dates (e. g., 4 July 1776). If unsure, date or place, leave it blank.
5. Location Format: City or Township, County, State or Province, Country, as named as of that date.
6. Name Format: List all & **CAPITALIZE Surname**. Women, use MAIDEN name. Nicknames, list as Susan Mary Damaris “Susie” RICE.
7. If married more than once, list spouse who participates in the line of descent. Women need **all** marriage certificates to prove identity.
8. Cite source if not stated on document, than put it on the back of proofs.

ONLY! PRINT WITH BLACK INK

PIONEER ANCESTOR NAME to be inscribed on certificate _____ [FEMALES USE MAIDEN]
DATE Pioneer Settled in Muskegon County, Michigan _____ Proof: _____
PLACE Pioneer Settled in Muskegon County, Michigan _____ Proof: _____
Name of **DESCENDANT** to be inscribed on certificate _____

PRIMARY APPLICANT Mail Name

Street Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

LINEAGE CHART

Generation 1 (Full birth name; women use MAIDEN name) (Proved) (Proved)

Applicant Name: _____	Spouse Name: _____
Birth Date _____	Birth Date _____
Birth Location _____	Birth Location _____
Marriage Date _____	m # (____) <i>Is this 1st, 2nd, etc. marriage of Generation 1?</i>
Marriage Location _____	
Death Date _____	Death Date _____
Death Location _____	Death Location _____
<i>Proof of above</i> _____	

Generation 2 (Parent of Applicant who is descended from Pioneer)

Parent of Gen. 1: _____	Spouse Name: _____
Birth Date _____	Birth Date _____
Birth Location _____	Birth Location _____
Marriage Date _____	m # (____) <i>Is this 1st, 2nd, etc. marriage of Generation 2?</i>
Marriage Location _____	
Death Date _____	Death Date _____
Death Location _____	Death Location _____
<i>Proof of above</i> _____	

Generation 3 (Grandparent of Applicant) (Proved) (Proved)

Parent of Gen.2: _____ **Spouse Name:** _____
 Birth Date _____ Birth Date _____
 Birth Location _____ Birth Location _____
 Marriage Date _____ m # (____) *Is this 1st, 2nd, etc. marriage of Generation 3?*
 Marriage Location _____
 Death Date _____ Death Date _____
 Death Location _____ Death Location _____
 Proof of above _____

Generation 4

Parent of Gen.3: _____ **Spouse Name:** _____
 Birth Date _____ Birth Date _____
 Birth Location _____ Birth Location _____
 Marriage Date _____ m # (____) *Is this 1st, 2nd, etc. marriage of Generation 4?*
 Marriage Location _____
 Death Date _____ Death Date _____
 Death Location _____ Death Location _____
 Proof of above _____

Generation 5

Parent of Gen.4: _____ **Spouse Name:** _____
 Birth Date _____ Birth Date _____
 Birth Location _____ Birth Location _____
 Marriage Date _____ m # (____) *Is this 1st, 2nd, etc. marriage of Generation 5?*
 Marriage Location _____
 Death Date _____ Death Date _____
 Death Location _____ Death Location _____
 Proof of above _____

Generation 6

Parent of Gen.5: _____ **Spouse Name:** _____
 Birth Date _____ Birth Date _____
 Birth Location _____ Birth Location _____
 Marriage Date _____ m # (____) *Is this 1st, 2nd, etc. marriage of Generation 6?*
 Marriage Location _____
 Death Date _____ Death Date _____
 Death Location _____ Death Location _____
 Proof of above _____

I am a direct descendant of the Muskegon County Pioneer named in this application. The information in this document is true to the best of my knowledge. I acknowledge that all materials submitted become the property of MCGS, and I give permission to publish said information. I understand that this application and supporting materials are available for reproduction and are accessible to the general-public and to researchers.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE _____	DATE _____
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