Instructions for Submitting Genealogies for the Washington Pioneer Pursuit

1. **Before beginning your research,** we suggest you check the WSGS Pioneer Index. You may find the Pioneer you're planning to research has already been researched. If you do find the Pioneer in the index, please send an email to Washington State Genealogical Society asking to see the genealogical data associated with the pioneer. If you are a WSGS member, you already have access to the complete Pioneer histories in the Members' Only section. If you're not a member, we encourage you to join so you have full access to all the data. It is only $12.00 per year.

2. Complete the submission form. Submitted forms must include your signature.

3. Please send your submission form and genealogies in a "Word" or text document format. Include all of the information requested in the submission form. See example for suggested format.

4. Begin with the Pioneer and follow with information for the next two generations (total of 3 generations). Do not include information on living people -- simply give their name, followed by the word "living."

5. You must provide proof of presence in Washington Territory on or before November 11, 1889 for each Pioneer.

6. All proofs must include a source citation. For online sources, including the URL with the source citation is sufficient. If your source is not online, attach a scanned image or photocopy to the submission form. Be sure to cite the source of the scanned image/photo.

7. Do not send in original documents.

8. Each proof document must be labeled with the name of the person or persons it is referring to.

9. Submissions with the accompanying documentation and proof documents may be submitted by email to: Info@wasgs.org or by mail to: Washington State Genealogical Society, Pioneer Pursuit, 1901 S. 12th Ave, Union Gap, WA 98903.

Acceptable Proofs:

Baptismal records	Birth records	Census records
City directories	Court records	Death records
Divorce records	Insurance records	Land records
Marriage records	Military records	Newspaper/Obituaries
Probate records	School records	Social Security
Tax records	Voting records	Wills

State and Country digital archives, including the Washington State Digital Archives

Other proofs may be acceptable, but will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

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