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Genealogical Background

Research Experience

- 40+ years of experience doing genealogical research
- 15 years experience with Washington DC resources, including the National Archives, the Library of Congress, and the DAR Library
- Research in state archives of Alabama, Georgia, Illinois, Maryland, Missouri, South Carolina
- Research in county archives in Alabama, Georgia, Missouri, South Carolina, Utah, and Virginia
- Extensive research in the collections of the Family History Library in Salt Lake City
- Experience researching in university libraries, including BYU, Universities of Missouri, South Carolina, Virginia, and Utah, Utah State University, Southern Utah University and Queens University in Toronto
- Experience researching in Canada in the National Archives, the Ontario Provincial Archives and libraries in Toronto/Ontario, Montreal/Quebec and Lethbridge/Cardston in Alberta
- Research in the Historical Department collection of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
- Research in local libraries in Alabama, Alberta, Georgia, Illinois, Maryland, Missouri, Ontario, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, and Virginia
- Research in the collections of genealogical societies in Alabama, Colorado, Georgia, Indiana, Missouri, Ontario, Utah and Virginia
- Extensive experience using the Internet in support of genealogical research

Speaking/Teaching Experience:

- Lectures and workshops on genealogy and technology at several FGS, NGS, and GENTECH conferences, and local Family History Fairs for the Highland and American Fork stakes
- Program Chair for GENTECH98 in Ft. Wayne, Indiana
- PAF workshops for the BYU FHL Staff, Utah Valley PAF Users Group, Oklahoma PAF Users Group and the Arizona Genealogy Computer Interest Group
- Several dozen classes on Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced PAF
- Several dozen classes (co-taught with my wife) on beginning research
- Four years as an attendant at the Oakton Virginia Stake Family History Center
- Currently on the staff of the Mt. Timpanogos Family History Center in American Fork, Utah
- Twenty five years as a ward and stake Family History Consultant

Conferences/Training:

- Dozens of National Conferences including GENTECH, NGS, and FGS
- Several BYU Family History and Genealogy Technology Conferences and seminars
- Dozens of subject area training classes at the Family History Library and BYU Library
- Hundreds of local training sessions - UGA, UVPAFUG, Scottish festivals, local conferences

The Internet and Genealogy:

- Helped establish and administer one of the earliest genealogy Internet sites, genealogy.org
- Established the first website to promote and support Personal Ancestral File
- First webmaster for the National Genealogical Society/instrumental in their joining the Internet world
- Have served as webmaster for several other organizations, including the Federation of Genealogical Societies, GENTECH, the Board for Certification of Genealogists, Association of Professional Genealogists, National Institute for Genealogical Research, and Utah Valley PAF Users Group