

Descendants of Miners 1607-1907

Application Instructions

Read these Instructions *before* you begin.

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Complete all fields on the first page, noting that there is one pull-down menu to designate the ore/mineral with which your Qualifying Person was associated. Beginning at the top of page 1, indicate whether this is your Preliminary Application or a Supplementary Application. All of the following instructions apply to both types.

Include your FULL name (first, middle, maiden, last), even if you do not use one or more of those names.

Enter your contact information. Telephone numbers and e-mail addresses are NOT optional. If you fail to provide a telephone number, your application **will not be** processed. If your telephone number is unpublished and you do not wish for it to be included in a membership directory, note it on the application. Your wish will be respected. We will be communicating with our members electronically from time to time. Your information will NOT be sold or distributed by the Society to outsiders.

For our purpose, the "Qualifying Person" is your direct-line ancestor, or in some instances it may be your uncle or aunt in some generation, who was affiliated with the process of mining. We presently recognize occupations relative to the mining of Gold, Silver, Copper, Coal, Salt, Iron, Oil removal, Uranium, Aluminum, Tungsten, Gypsum, Radium, Tellurium, Quarry Stone. These occupations include such things as mercantile sales, railroad transport, supervision, and a variety of others, **provided** it can be proved the occupation was directly related to mining. Proof of your Qualifying Person's involvement can be found in such places as obituaries and other news articles, death certificates, censuses, and local histories. There may be other documents that provide this information as well.

The Society allows for Lineal Descent OR Collateral Kinship (to an Uncle or an Aunt, only). No additional collateral connections are allowed. If you are a Lineal Descendant, complete pages 1-7. Begin with yourself and follow your lineage backward to and including your qualifying ancestor. Not all genealogical blocks on pages 2-7 may be needed. If you are claiming an Uncle or an Aunt as your Qualifying Person, complete ALL pages of this application sufficient to prove your own lineage, **and also** complete page 8 to prove the connection to that Uncle or Aunt's parents (who must also appear in your own lineage). If your Qualifying Person is your grandparent (to any degree), that person may be as far removed from you as is necessary, **provided** the grandparent resided in America and was occupied in an appropriate occupation during the qualifying timeframe.

Submit appropriate birth, death, and marriage records for all generations. These documents should be referred to as "B/C," "D/C," and "M/C." In the event such records are unavailable for people born prior to 1880, then bible, baptismal, census, newspaper announcements, and the like, may be used in lieu as necessary, but only as a last resort. Provide appropriate citations, giving, for instance, the family name and ownership of the bible; the census year, state, county (or parish, township, or other designation), and the page and line numbers on which the information appears. Newspaper announcements should provide the name of the paper, and the city, state, and date of the issue in which the announcement appeared. **Highlight (or underline in red) all information you wish to have considered on each item of evidence.** All evidence submitted will be shredded to protect members' information from being compromised.

Record Copies of Other Societies Accepted by Descendants of Miners

The Society also allows for submission of Record Copies (in lieu of copious documentation) from select societies. A list of acceptable societies appears below. If you are presenting a Record Copy from another society in support of your lineage, that application must have been prepared using that society's standard long-form application. Short-form applications are not acceptable. In other words, your lineage must have been proven afresh for all generations on that application. It cannot reference another society's application, and must bear the signatures of all appropriate approving officers of that society, as well as your membership number and the date that application was approved. When you use a Record Copy you must state your evidence **exactly** as it appears on the Record Copy in

each generation, including any additional notations made by the Registrar of that society. **Do not** merely reference the Record Copy in the Proofs areas on our application. Not following this important instruction will result in a rejected application.

Record Copies of the following societies' applications will usually be deemed acceptable:

Colonial Dames of America
Daughters of the Cincinnati
Flagon & Trencher: Descendants of Colonial Tavern Keepers
General Society of Colonial Wars
General Society of Mayflower Descendants
Hereditary Order of Descendants of Colonial Governors
Hereditary Order of the Families of the Presidents and First Ladies of America (if proven afresh)
Jamestowne Society
National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century (COAs will not be accepted)
National Society Dames of the Court of Honor
National Society Daughters of American Colonists
National Society Sons of American Colonists
National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (Member #400,001 and up)
National Society Daughters of Colonial Wars
National Society Daughters of Founders & Patriots of America (Member #6001 and up)
National Society Women Descendants of the Ancient & Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts
Order of Descendants of Ancient Planters
Order of Descendants of Colonial Physicians and Chirurgeons
Order of the First Families of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
Order of Founders and Patriots of America
Society of the Cincinnati
Society of the Descendants of Colonial Clergy

The Registrar may request additional information from the Applicant, as necessary, in order to insure a properly proven application.

Once completed, save your application with a fresh name. Then, print the application and submit it with your evidence and **two checks**. The first check should be made payable to "Descendants of Miners" in the amount of **\$200**. The second check should be made payable to "Karen M. Wills" in the amount of **\$25**. The address of the Registrar is as follows:

Karen M. Wills
1200 River View Avenue, #108
Stevens Point, WI 54481-5151

Your \$200 fee includes your membership certificate. Insignia are offered at a separate cost to Members.

Supplementary Applications

As stated above, our application form is appropriate for submission of Supplementary Applications as well. All instructions remain the same. The fee for each Supplementary Application is also paid in **two checks**, as follows: one check in the amount of **\$25** payable to "Karen M. Wills" and one check in the amount of **\$25** payable to "Descendants of Miners."

Remit your checks with your Supplementary Application and evidence.

Once notified that your Supplementary Application has been approved, you may obtain a certificate at an additional cost, should you wish to do so. You will receive an ordering form for this purpose.

If you have questions, you may contact the Registrar by e-mail at **WKRiver15@gmail.com**.



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Application for Membership

Tick one: Preliminary Supplementary
 Application Application

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I hereby submit this application for review based on the following information:

My **full** name is (first, middle, maiden, last):

My name as I wish it to appear on my Certificate:

My mailing address:

City:

State:

ZIP + 4:

Telephone:

E-mail:

I apply based on my Direct Descent from **Qualifying Person**

 Collateral Kinship with (name ONLY):

who was occupied in the field of mining by the year 1907 as a (state occupation EXACTLY as shown on evidence)

involving the ore/mineral

as supported by the following Evidence (provide evidence of the Qualifying Person's occupation here):

Signature of Applicant Date _____

Applicant: Do not write below this line

Signature of Registrar: _____

Date of Approval: _____ Membership Number: _____

Amount Paid: _____ Check Number: _____

If you are claiming Direct Descent, use pages 2-7 to provide your descent from the Qualifying Person. Not all blocks may be needed. If your Qualifying Person is an Uncle/Aunt (to any degree), complete the appropriate block on page 8.

I am:

1. (name) _____
b. _____ at _____
m. _____ at _____
to _____
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____

Proofs: (NOTE: **DO NOT** provide explanations of the evidences. Refer to the instructions for proper citation of all evidences.)

I am the (check one) son daughter of

2. (name in blood line) _____
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____
m. _____ at _____
to _____
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

3. (name in blood line) _____
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____
m. _____ at _____
to _____
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

4. (name in blood line) _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

5. (name in blood line) _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

6. (name in blood line) _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

7. (name in blood line) _____

- b. _____ at _____
- d. _____ at _____
- m. _____ at _____
- to _____
- b. _____ at _____
- d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

8. (name in blood line) _____

- b. _____ at _____
- d. _____ at _____
- m. _____ at _____
- to _____
- b. _____ at _____
- d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

9. (name in blood line) _____

- b. _____ at _____
- d. _____ at _____
- m. _____ at _____
- to _____
- b. _____ at _____
- d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

10. (name in blood line) _____

- b. _____ at _____
- d. _____ at _____
- m. _____ at _____
- to _____
- b. _____ at _____
- d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

11. (name in blood line) _____

- b. _____ at _____
- d. _____ at _____
- m. _____ at _____
- to _____
- b. _____ at _____
- d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

12. (name in blood line) _____

- b. _____ at _____
- d. _____ at _____
- m. _____ at _____
- to _____
- b. _____ at _____
- d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

13. (name in blood line) _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

14. (name in blood line) _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

15. (name in blood line) _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

16. (name in blood line) _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

17. (name in blood line) _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

The said _____ was the (check one) son daughter of

18. (name in blood line) _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

If you are claiming Direct Descent, use pages 2-7 ONLY, providing your descent from the qualifying person. Not all blocks may be needed. If you are claiming Kinship through an Uncle/Aunt (of any degree), you must ALSO complete the following genealogical blocks and provide appropriate evidence.

My Qualifying person (Uncle/Aunt) is:

1. _____
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____
m. _____ at _____
to _____
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

My Qualifying Person was the (check one) son daughter of:

2. (name in blood line) _____
and
_____, who appear at generation _____, above.

Proofs:
