

Preserving Your Records

To insure that your genealogical records are preserved after your death, you should print the form below, complete it and append it to your will.

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GENEALOGICAL CODICIL TO MY LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

To my Spouse, Children, Guardian, Administrator and/or Executor:

Upon my demise, it is requested that you **DO NOT** dispose of any or all of my genealogical records, both those prepared personally by me and those records prepared by others which may be in my possession, including but not limited to books, files, notebooks or computer programs for a period of two (2) years.

During this time period, please attempt to identify one or more persons who would be willing to take custody of the said materials and the responsibility of maintaining and continuing the family histories. *(If you know whom within your family or friends are likely candidates to accept these materials, please add the following at this point: “I suggest that the persons contacted regarding the assumption of the custody of these items include but not to be limited to” and then list the names of those individuals with their addresses and telephone numbers, if known.)*

In the event you do not find anyone to accept these materials, please contact the various genealogical organizations that I have been a member of and determine if they will accept some parts or all of my genealogical materials. *(List organizations, addresses and phone numbers and contact persons, if available, as well as state/national contact information and addresses.)*

Please remember that my genealogical endeavors consumed a great deal of time, travel and expense. Therefore, it is my desire that the products of these endeavors be allowed to continue in a manner that will make them available to others in the future.

Signature _____ Date _____

Witness _____ Date _____

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