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USING AN ANALYSIS TO PROVE LINEAGE

WHEN TO USE

Use to prove lineage when direct evidence is not available

- **Direct evidence:**
Specifically states a relationship.
Examples: Vital records (birth, marriage, death), Wills; Deeds
- **Indirect Evidence:**
Implies, but does not specifically state relationship.
Examples: Census Records for 1850, 1860, 1870

No direct evidence proving the relationship can be found, but several indirect evidence documents can be used to prove the relationship.

CAVEATES

- Only one Analysis per application,
- Direct evidence is unavailable,
- Relationship cannot be established on the basis of one document, but requires the study of a larger body of evidence to prove the relationship.

CASE STUDIES

RESOURCES

- DAR Genealogy Guidelines Book, Part 2, pp 28-30, Analysis, April 2023.
- DAR.org Members website under "Genealogy":
 - Analysis Form: "Forms, Checklists, and Research Links": **RGG-1010 Analysis PDF form**
 - Genie Clips on "Analyses": www.dar.org/members/applications-supplementals/genie-clips
- Genealogy Education Program III: Advanced Techniques for Resolving Problems with Lineage or Service on DAR Records: www.dar.org/members/applications-supplementals/genealogy-education-programs-gep