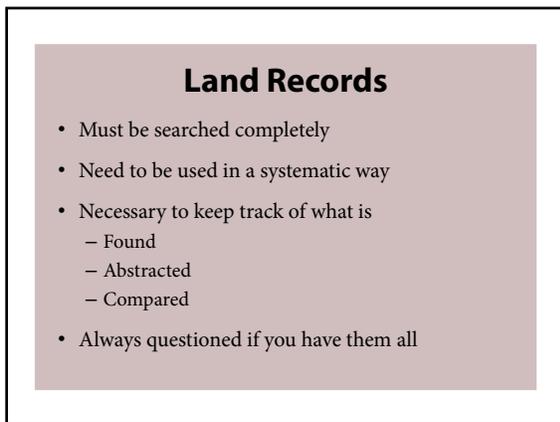
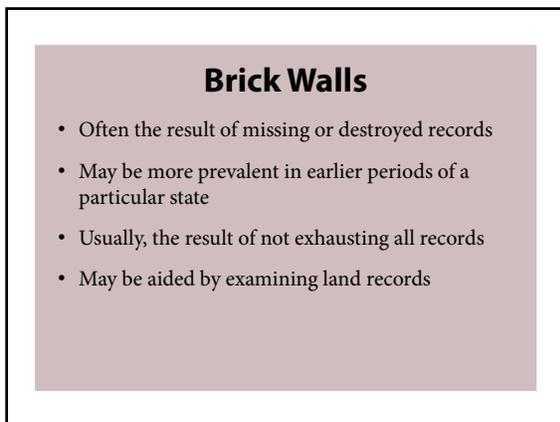




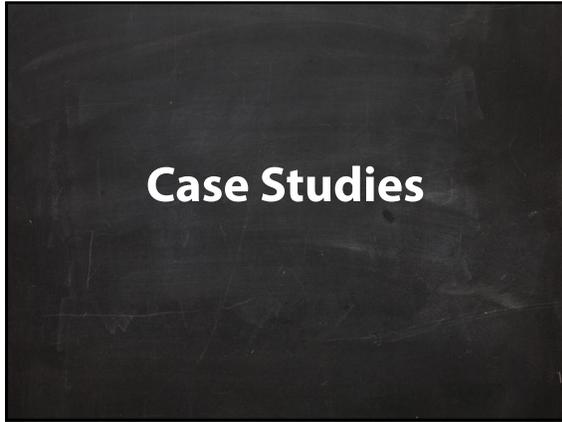
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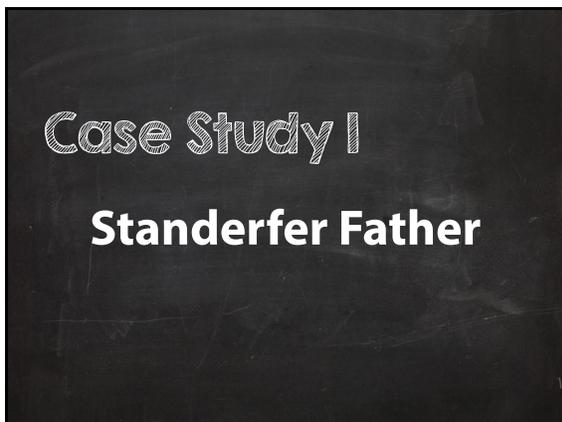


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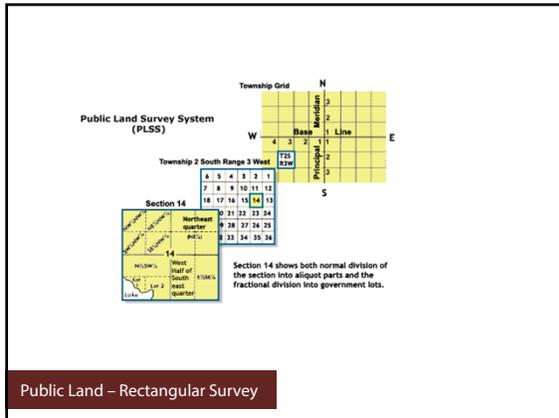
Case Studies

- Case Study 1 – Completely reading and interpreting a land record to understand what it is really saying
- Case Study 2 – Shows how land records often supplement or replace probate (especially when someone dies intestate)
- Case Study 3 – Reveals how land records can be used to trace a lineage when other records may not be available

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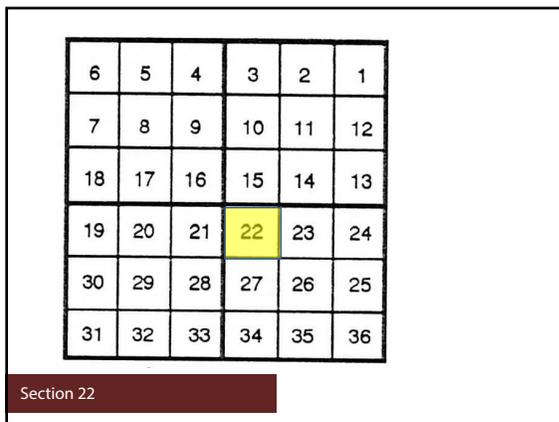


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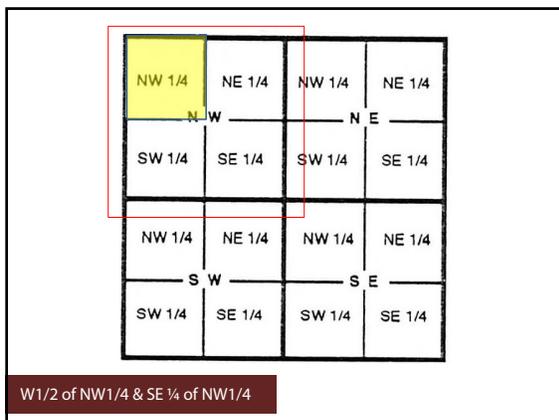
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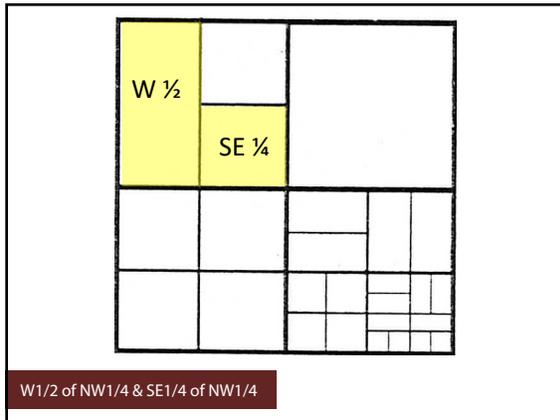
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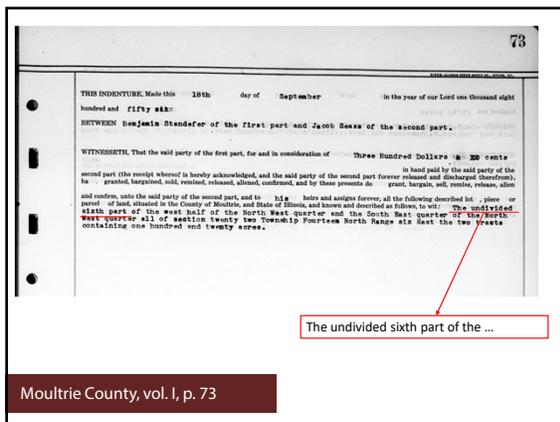


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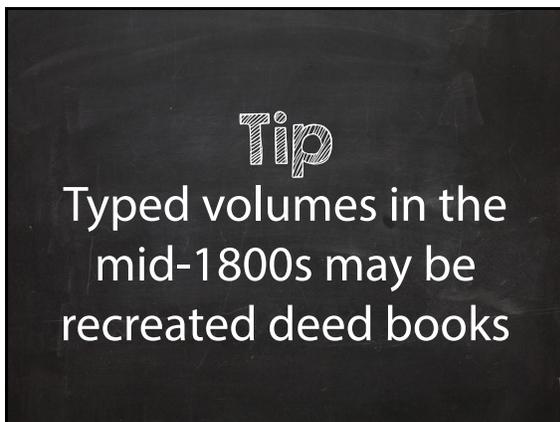
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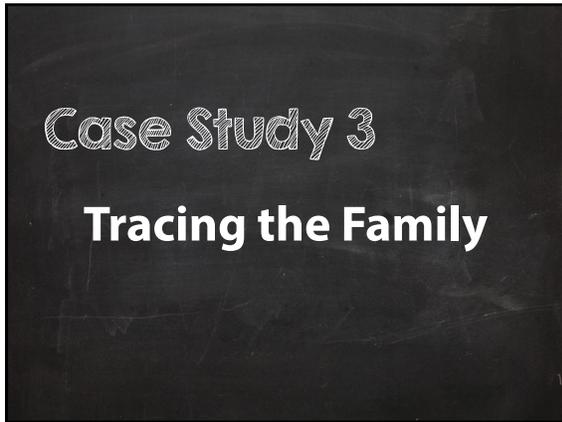
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Benjamin Endicott of Illinois

- GOAL: Was Benjamin Endicott who wrote his will in Henderson County, Illinois descended from John Endecott, Governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony
- Where was Benjamin born?
- Who were his parents?

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1860 Census—United States

Age	Sex	Name	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of real estate	Value of personal property	Marriage	Foreign born	Native	Foreign	Ill.	Ind.	Pa.	Ohio	Mo.	Ark.	La.	Miss.	Ala.	Fla.	Calif.	Tex.	Nebr.	Colo.	Wash.	Mont.	D.C.
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	F	LUCAS	55	F				12																				
	F	NANCY	35	F				12																				
	F	CHRISTINA	20	F				12																				
	M	CHARLES E.	16	M	FARM HAND			12																				

1860 Census – Son George

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Research Log
Ancestor's name

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9/14	PHL 1371851 Item 3-5	Mendham Co., New Jersey Deeds, 1841-1843 Sharon's widow to deeds v. 1-3, 1841-1842	1870-1900	Extracted all ENDICOTTs Mendham, NJ	
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Research Log Needed

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Benjamin Endicott Will - 1847

Mentioned:
 • Wife - Elizabeth
 • Children - George Endicott, Barzillai Endicott, children of Alexander & Mary Taylor, Joseph Endicott, children of John & Sarah Morehead, the children of Fergusus & Cristina Morehead, Jonathan Endicott, William, infant son of Nancy Wooters

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Deed Index Survey

Controlled by: Rhonda R. McClure Date: 14-Sep-1993

Names Researched: Endicot, Illinois

County: Henderson State: Illinois

Grantor/Grantee/Deed Index Book: Time Period Covered:

Notes about index arrangement:

Grantor/Grantee	Type of Instrument	Date of Filing	Date of Instrument	Book	Page	Abstracted/Completed
Endicot, George	W.D.	12 May 1865	12 May 1865	23	317	X
John Moorehead	Property Dees.	10 acres Lot 3, SW1/4 Sec. 14 Twp 12N Rge 9W				
Endicot, Moses	G.C.	20 Jan 1865	4 Oct 1865	20	354	X
David Rivers	Property Dees.					
Endicot, Noah	G.C.	28 Sep 1865		Not Listed		
William Ingers	Property Dees.					
Endicot, Caswell	Bond	31 Jul 1867	31 Jul 1867	25	166	X

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Deed Index Survey

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Date of search	Location	Description of source	Comments	Doc number
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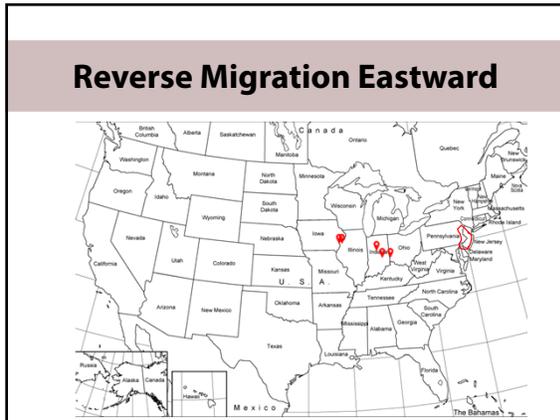
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Keeping Track

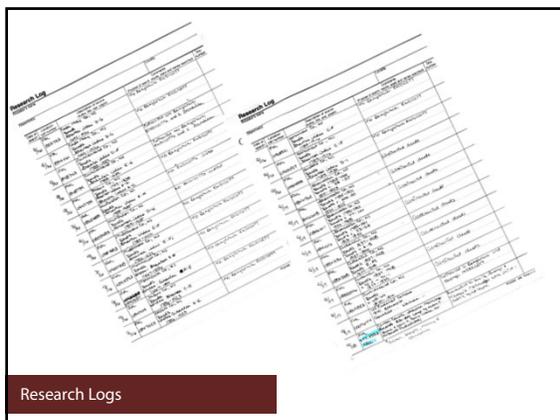
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What did it take?

- 7 Research log pages (84 entries)
- 30 Deed Index Survey pages
- 36 Deed Abstract pages
- 4 days at the Family History Library (roughly 10-11 hours a day)
- AND DONE BEFORE COMPUTERS

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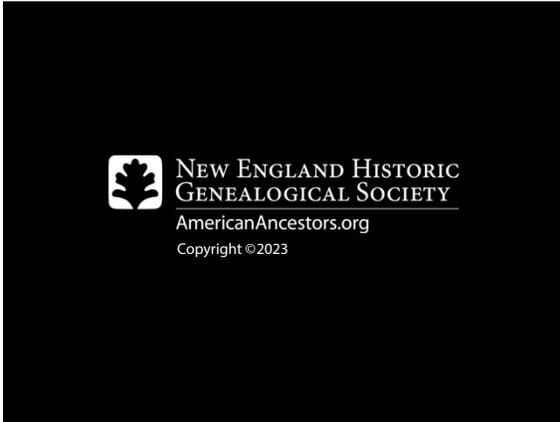
Review

1. Land records serve many genealogical purposes
2. They require patience, perseverance, and planning
3. Amidst the legal descriptions can be gold mines
4. Can't pick and choose the records
5. Need to ensure you have all the deeds

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