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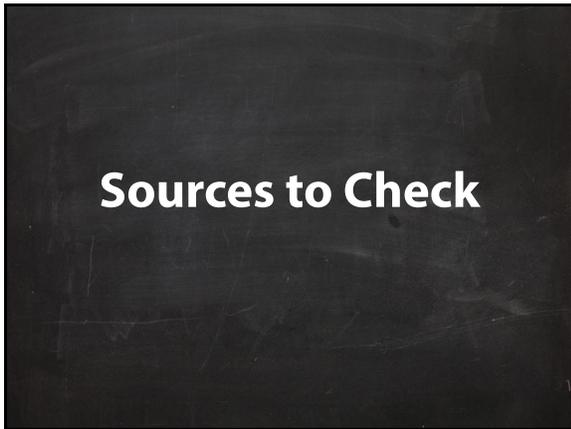
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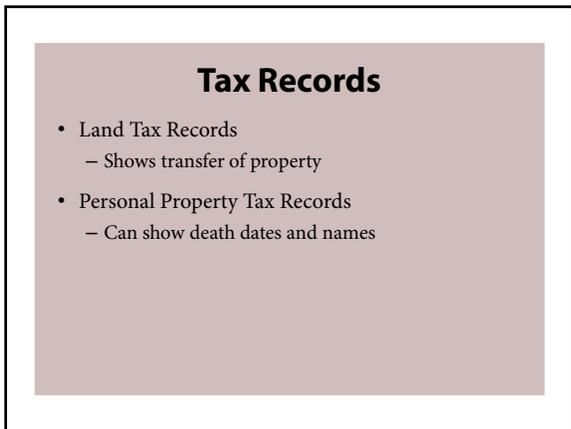
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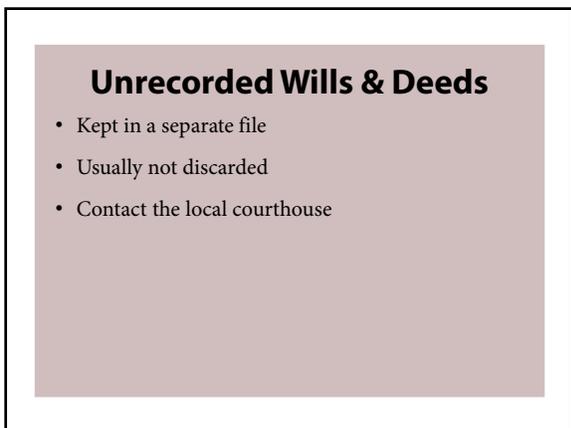
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### Land Office Military Certificates (LOMC)

- Certificate for land provided to serviceman for their service during the Revolutionary War.
- Land for Virginia soldiers was located in Kentucky and Ohio
- Sometimes include names and relations of heirs




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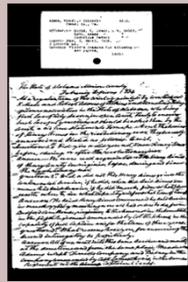
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### Bounty Warrants

- Document Revolutionary War Service
- Sometimes include list of heirs
- Bounty Warrants are available on the Library of Virginia website.




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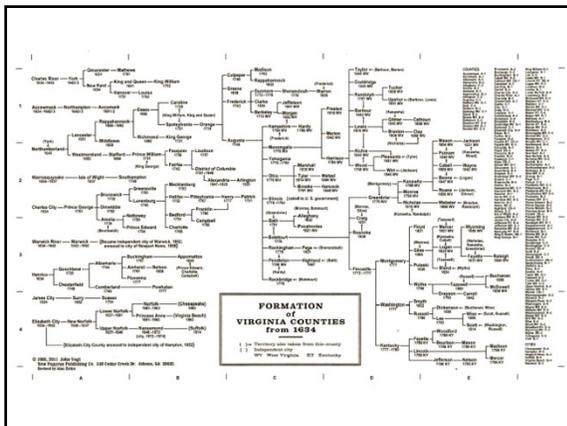
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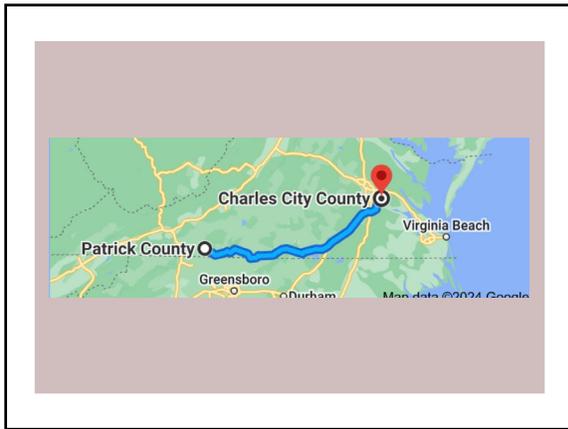
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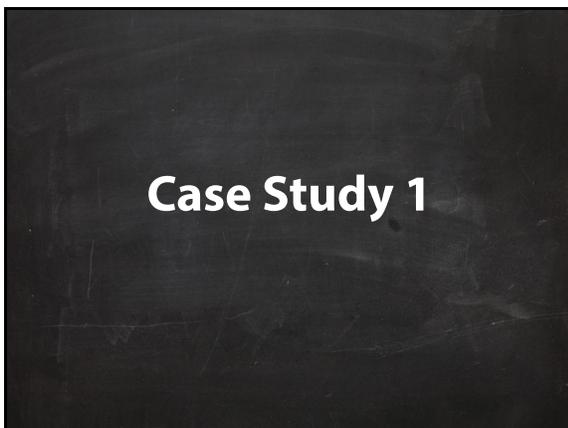
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# Case Study 2

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**Henry Batte-Burgess  
from Charles City County**

- Charles City is a “burned county”—a term used in Virginia research for counties that had records destroyed in courthouse fires or during the Civil War
- Missing will
- Surviving Land deed

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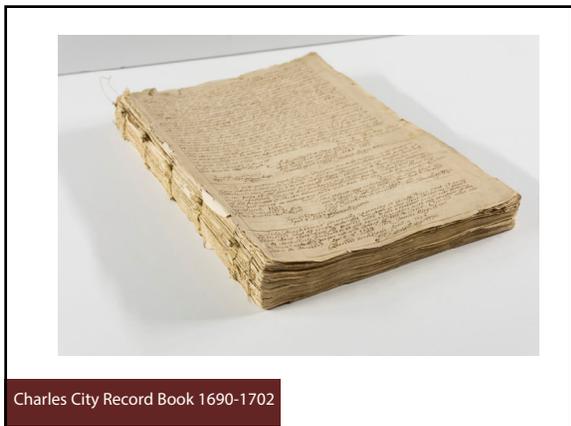
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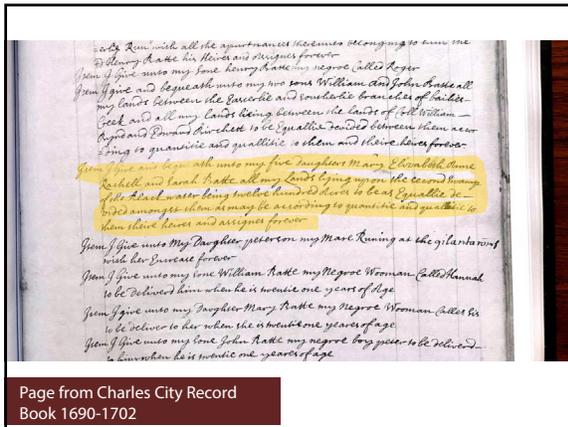
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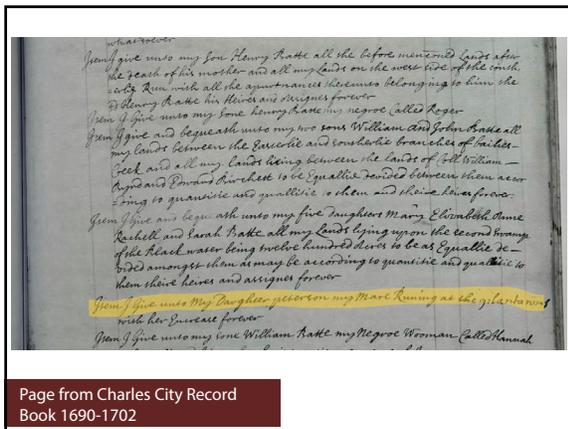
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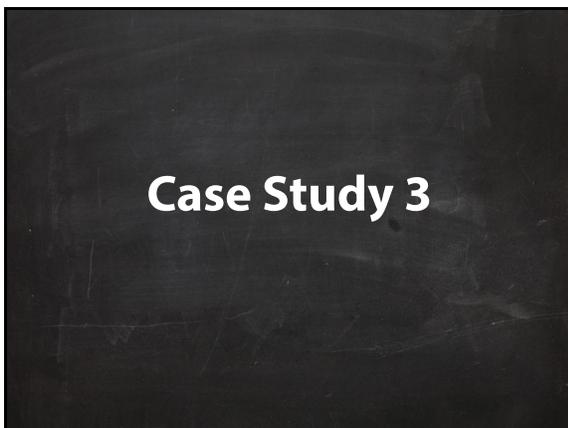
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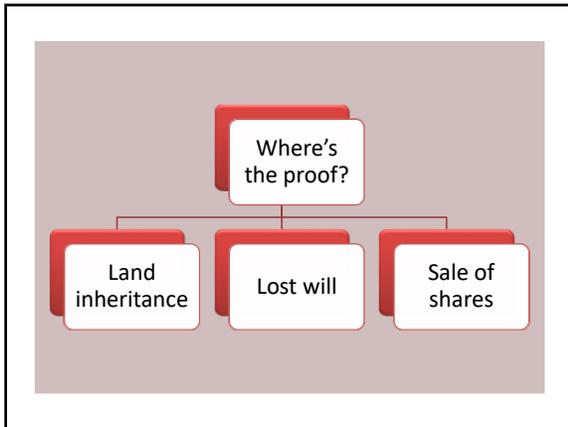
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## Case Study 4

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**Connecting Father to Daughter**

- Problems:
  - Esther not named in John Peak's will
  - Cited undocumented genealogical compilations & secondary sources
  - Proposed a theory without supporting documentation

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**Strategies to Use**

- Look for a marriage Bond
- Check land & personal property tax records
- Undocumented sources can provide clues

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**QUESTIONS?**

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**Case Study 5**

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**Proving Descent from  
Thomas Miller**

- Applicant had 1892 marriage certificate to Miller (first husband)
- 1910 census indicated marriage to second husband for five years, but children listed were older than five.
- Transcriber had indicated they were the second husband's children
- Children listed were in fact the children of Thomas Miller

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**Tips for Census Records**

- Beware of transcription errors in census records
- Examine the original census record
- Try variation of spellings and reverse first and last names

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**Case Study 6**

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**Chancery Suits**

- Contain important genealogical information including:
  - Copies of wills
  - records of descendants

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SWANN FAMILY, Descendants of Thomas Swann.  
Chancery suits used for this information include Newmarket Co. 1802-025, 1817-105 and Petersburg 1861-021, 1869-024

ELIZABETH SWANN married \_\_\_\_\_ SPENCER Aug. 13, 1802. Her will is the subject of these suits. Estate accounts were filed at Newt through 1808. See the record of said estate.

Use of facts in 1852.

THOMAS SWANN married twice. His second wife was JUDITH LOGG, widow of THOMAS THOMPSON SWANN, son of THOMPSON SWANN

By 1<sup>st</sup> wife  
ELIZABETH SWANN & 20 March 1808 married THOMAS STANTON, being in Surmer Co., TN. He was married to Elizabeth Swann, daughter of John Swann

CHILD STANTON & 18 March 1808  
HARRIETT SWANN married HENRY BAUGER  
THOMAS C. BAUGER, being in Giles Co., TN  
WILLIAM M. BAUGER, being in Giles Co., TN  
MARTIN BAUGER  
ELIZABETH BAUGER married \_\_\_\_\_ ANDERSON, being in Lincoln Co., TN  
EDWARD HANCOCK BAUGER, being in Carter, Perry, LA  
RICHARD BAUGER, being in Shelby Co., TN  
MARY BAUGER, being in Giles Co., TN

JOHN W. D. BAUGER, being in Shelby Co., TN  
MARTIN BAUGER also married \_\_\_\_\_ HANCOCK  
MARY FANNY, being in Giles Co., TN  
ARCHIBALD BAUGER, being in Giles Co., TN  
HARRIETT BAUGER, being in Tennessee Co., TN  
REBECCA BAUGER married \_\_\_\_\_ WILLIAMS, being in Tennessee Co., TN  
NANCY SWANN married WILLIAM McLAUGHLIN, being in Giles Co., TN  
MARY SWANN married THOMAS McLAUGHLIN, being in Giles Co., TN  
SARAH SWANN, being in TN and TN  
JOHN SWANN, being in Tennessee Co., TN, & April 1803. He was 63 in winter of 1823. He married 2d time 1818

JOHN SWANN  
WILLIAM SWANN  
MARY SWANN  
THOMAS J. SWANN  
EDWARD C. SWANN  
RICHARD J. SWANN  
ANDREW SWANN, married GEORGE W. TUCKER

By 2<sup>nd</sup> wife  
THOMAS THOMPSON SWANN & 1802 MS. Children all being in MS.  
WINTON SWANN, being in Chester Co., MS  
OPHELIA SWANN married THOMAS L. WOODSON, being in Chester Co., MS

Page from Swann Family Chancery Records

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Case Study 7

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**When You Can't Find a Will**

- Check Personal property tax records
- Look for others with the same surname
- Review extended family wills & records

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**Variant Spellings**

- Look for different spellings
- Hayward, Heyward, Howard
- Spelling was fluid until 1750's

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**Church/Parish Records**

- Baptism: list the father and sometimes the mother
- Marriage: list the parents and marriage date
- Death: list the date and location of burial

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**Obituaries**

- Deceased parents' names
- Names of children
- Dates and burial information

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**Writing a Proof Argument**

- Include all the reasons that support
- Include primary source documents
- Contemporary family histories
- Research same name individual
  - Name Game or Naming Patterns

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**What not to include in your proof argument**

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**What Not to Include  
in Your Proof Argument**

- More than a suggestion
- It must include some type of **relevant** primary source documents

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**What Not to State**

- This is the only time this name appears
- Relations and neighbors if not proven
- They were left out of the will

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**Family Associations**

- Richard Pace, Thomas Owsley, John Gaither, & John Graves
- May have records & sources
- Useful printed genealogies

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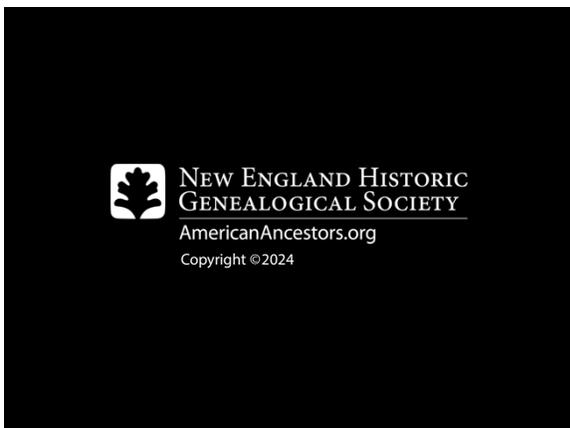
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