

Ohio Family History Research

Class 2: Land Records

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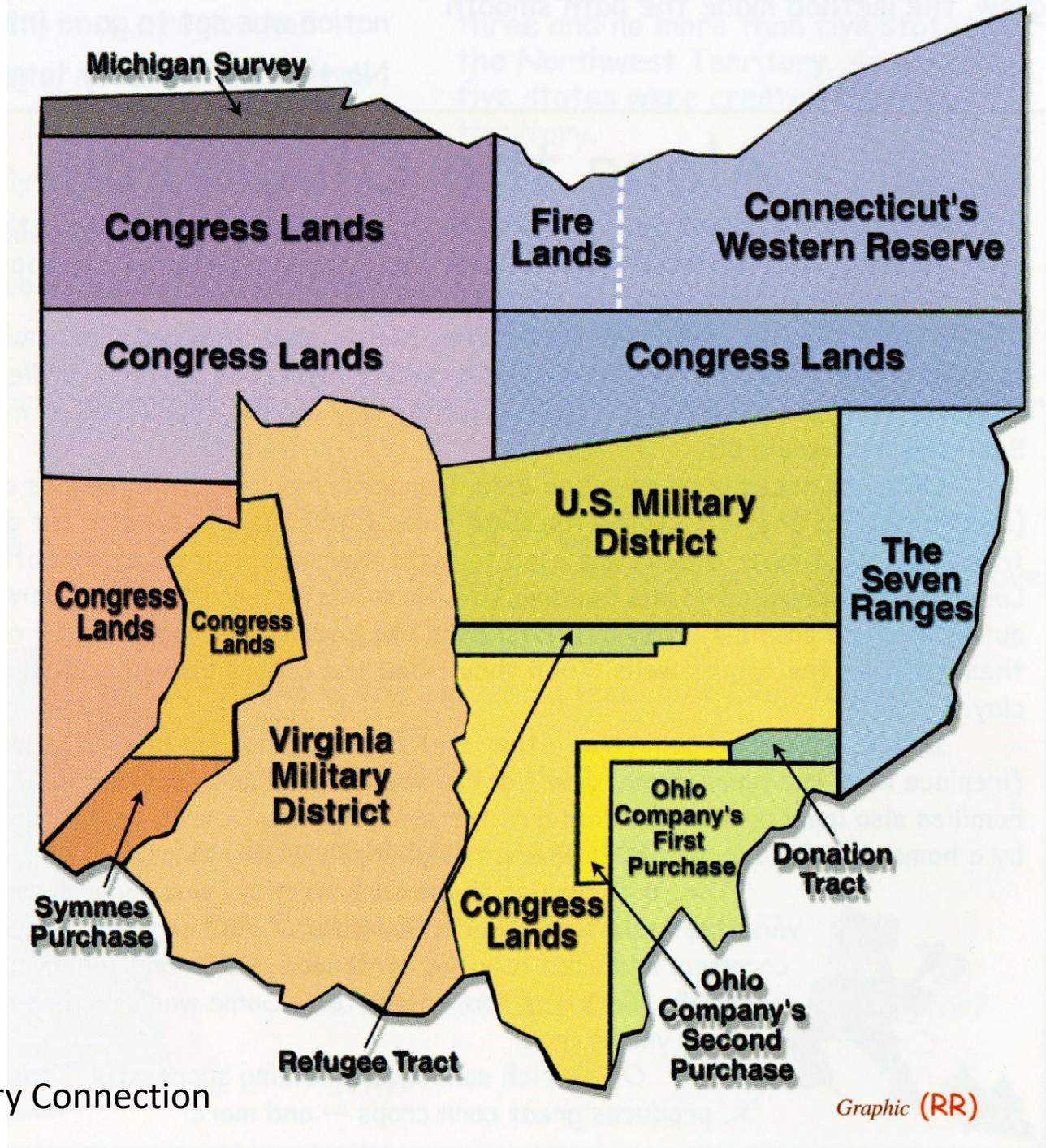
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Why land records?

- Residence
- Location of property
- Biographical information
 - Marital status
 - Occupation
- Migrations
- Family Groups
- Vital record replacement
- Relationships
 - Neighbors
 - Associates

Confusing

- Difficult language
- Time consuming
- Hard to locate records
- Different types of land systems in Ohio



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Graphic (RR)

Types of land in Ohio

- Federal land surveys
- Private land surveys/Sales to private groups
- County land records
 - Maintained by County Recorder

Federal Land Surveys

Peace of Paris - 1783

- Ended American Revolution
- Great Britain ceded claim on western lands
- Virginia and Connecticut retained their western land claims established by their charters
 - Eventually ceded lands in 1780s

Land Ordinance of 1785

- Legislation passed to establish rules for Public Domain lands
 - Survey
 - Sale
 - Settlement
- Townships divided into 36 one-mile square sections
- Sections of each township reserved
 - 16 for support of public school
 - 8, 11, 26, 29 reserved for future sales

Public Land Survey System

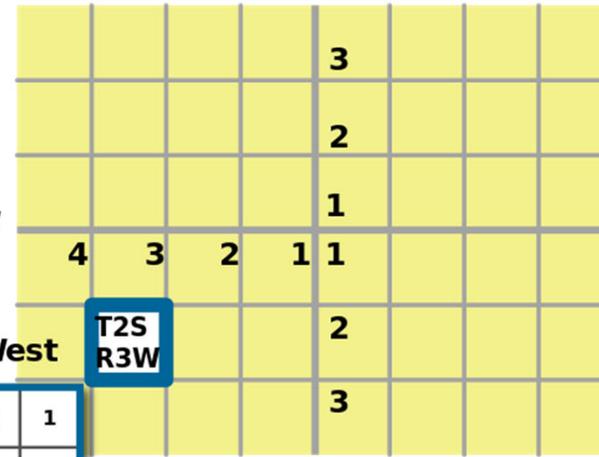
Public Land Survey System (PLSS)

Township Grid

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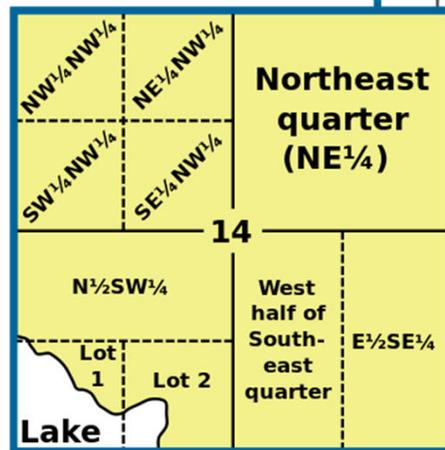
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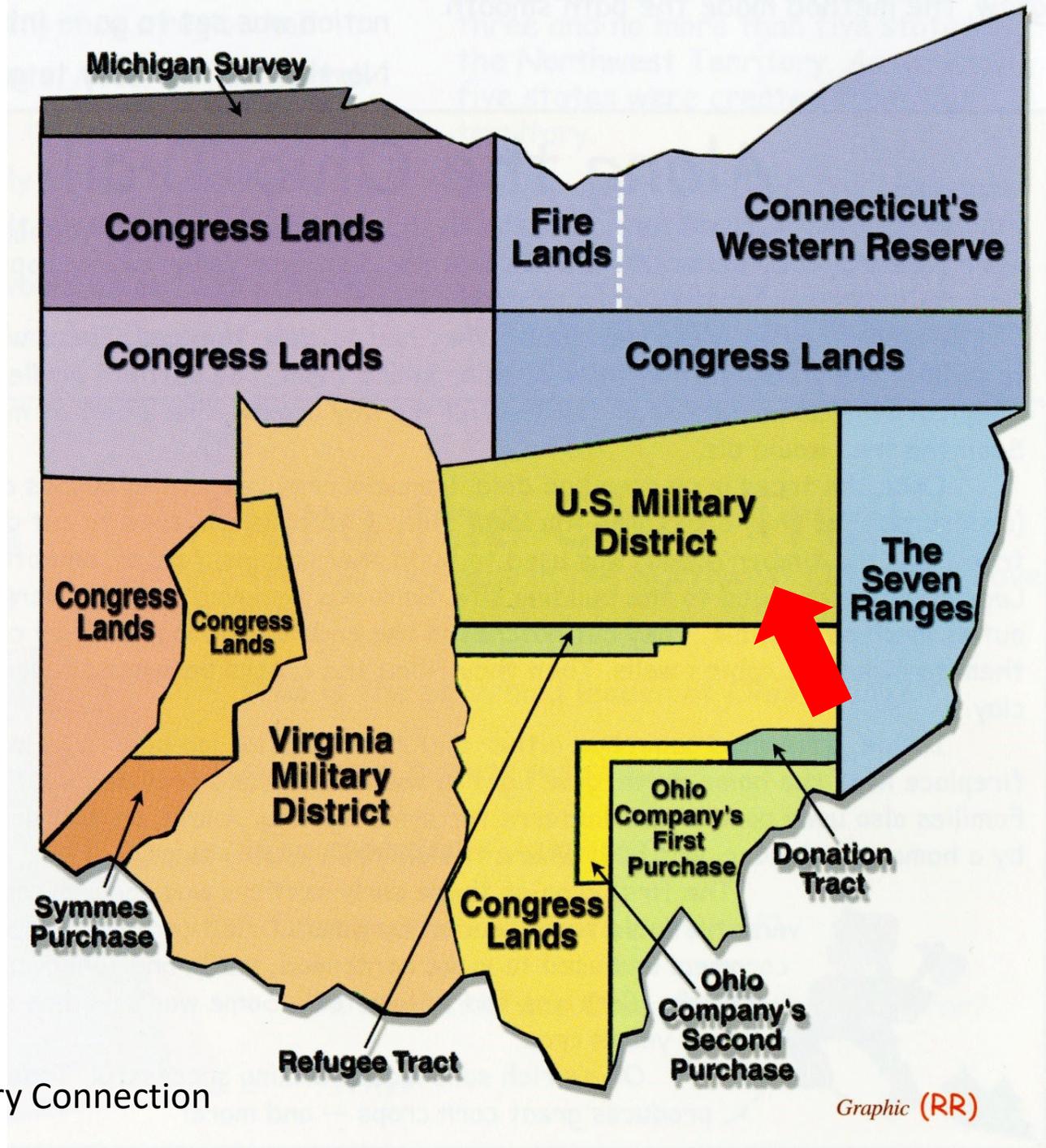
Section 14 shows both normal division of the section into aliquot parts and the fractional division into government lots.

Harrison Land Act of 1800

- Established federal land offices in Ohio
 - Steubenville
 - Marietta
 - Chillicothe
 - Cincinnati
- Minimum price \$2 per acre
 - Reduced minimum from 640 acres to 320 acres
- Credit system allowed purchaser to pay off land over course of four years
 - Buy land for 25% down payment

United States Military District

- Legislation passed on 1 June 1796 to create United States Military District
- Created to compensate veterans of Continental Line during American Revolution
- **Counties:** Coshocton, Delaware, Guernsey, Franklin Holmes, Knox, Licking, Marion, Morrow, Muskingum, Noble, Tuscarawas



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United States Military District

- Each rank received different acreage
 - Private: 100 acres
 - Lieutenant: 200 acres
 - Colonel: 500 acres
- Soldiers and their heirs often sold bounty land
 - Purchaser may be named as “Assignee” of soldier
 - Sometimes this transaction is recorded in county land records

Process



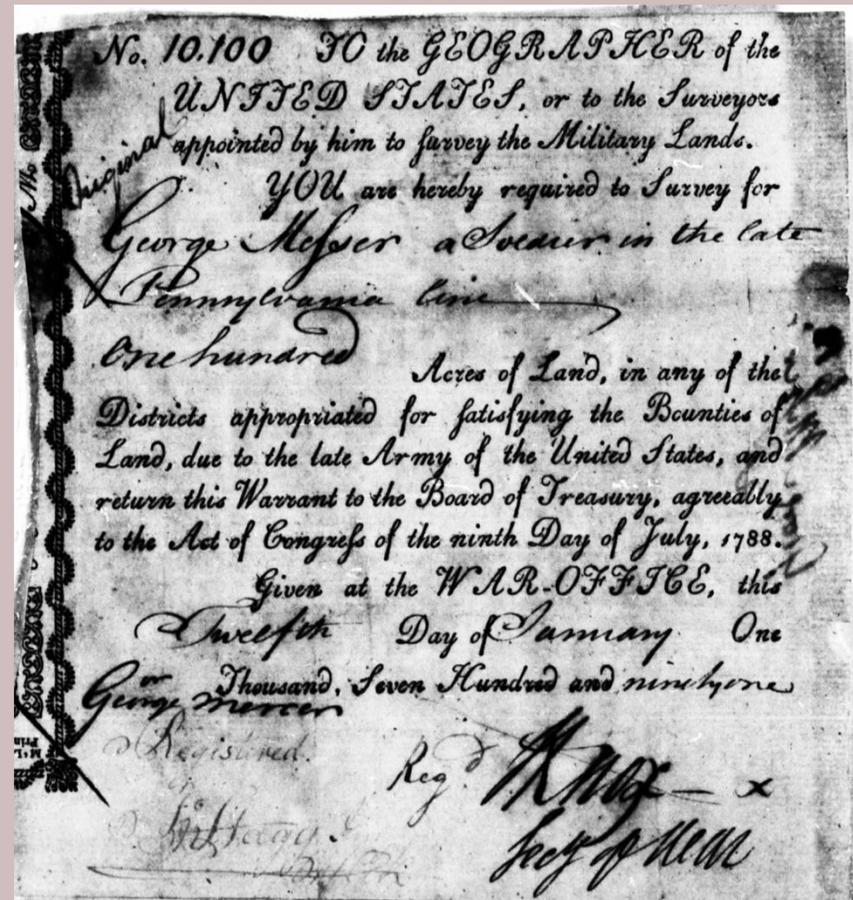
- Secretary of War reviewed applications and issued warrants
- Treasury Department supervised selection of land and issued patents

Application

- Serviceman submitted affidavits from commanding officers or fellow soldiers
- Submitted discharge papers
- If soldier died during service, heirs could file with documentation that they were legal heirs of the deceased

Warrant

- Rank of soldier
- State of service
- Date of issue
- Acreage

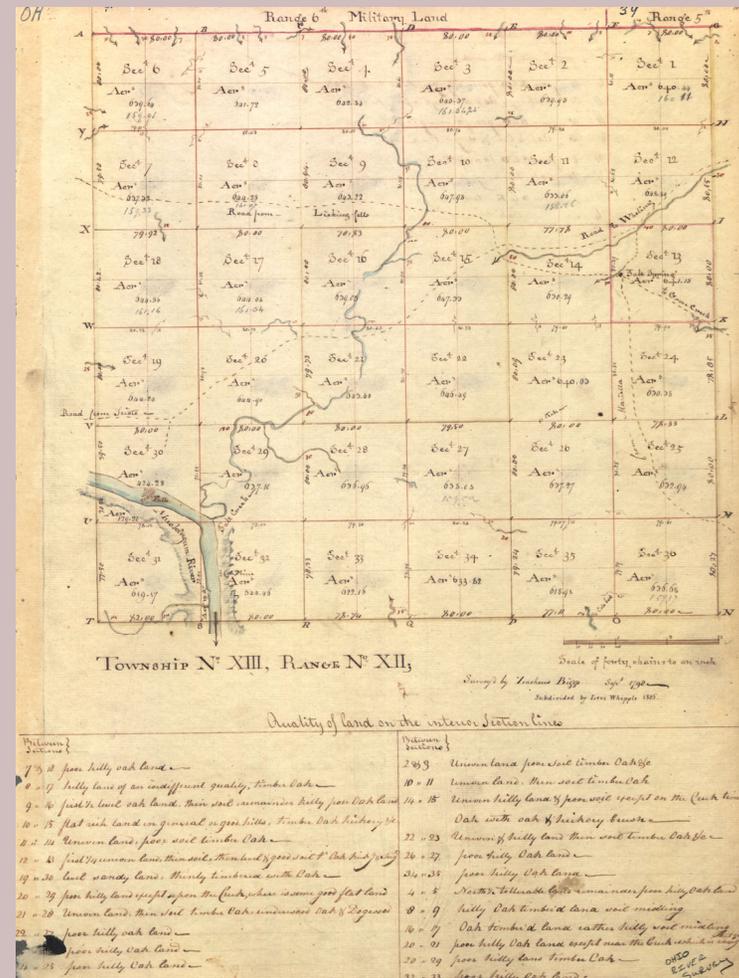


Where can I find records?

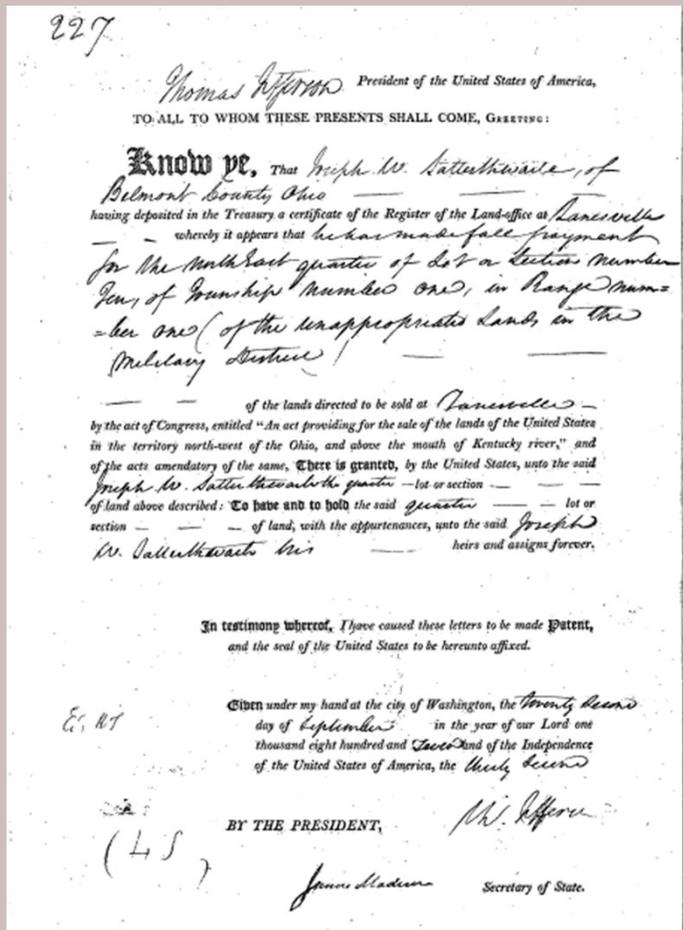
- Applications
 - *Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Application Files, 1800-1900, Ancestry.com*
- Warrants
 - *U.S., War and Bounty Land Warrants, 1789-1858, Ancestry.com*
- Fires in 1800 and 1814 destroyed many early applications and warrants

Survey

- Date of Survey
- Geographical features
- Ranges and Sections



Patent



- Patent: Successful transfer of federal land to private ownership
- Name and residence of grantee
- Land office
- Location of tract
- Date

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PRIVATE CLAIMS

Claimants Names	Report Date	Acres	Value
30 City Commons		150	16.16
31 Tho' & David Urquhart	0 6	150	0.30
32 J. M. Vail			0.50
33			0.48





General Land Office Records

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The Official Federal Land Records Site

Welcome to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), General Land Office (GLO) Records Automation web site. We provide live access to Federal land conveyance records for the Public Land States, including image access to more than five million Federal land title records issued between 1788 and the present. We also have images of survey plats and field notes, land status records, and control document index records. Due to organization of documents in the GLO collection, this site *does not* currently contain every Federal title record issued for the Public Land States.

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Land Patents

Federal Land Patents offer researchers a source of information on the initial transfer of land titles from the Federal government to individuals. In addition to verifying title transfer, this information will allow the researcher to associate an individual (Patentee, Assignee, Warrantee, Widow, or Heir) with a specific location (Legal Land Description) and time (Issue Date). We have a variety of Land Patents on our site, including Cash Entry, Homestead and Military Warrant patents.



Survey Plats and Field Notes

Survey plats are part of the official record of a cadastral survey. Surveying is the art and science of measuring the land to locate the limits of an owner's interest thereon. A cadastral survey is a survey which creates, marks, defines, retraces or re-establishes the boundaries and subdivisions of Federal Lands of the United States. The survey plat is the graphic drawing of the boundaries involved with a particular survey project, and contains the official acreage to be used in the legal description.





Field notes are the narrative record of the cadastral survey. They are written in tabular format and contain the detailed descriptions of entire survey process including the instrumentation and

gloreCORDS.blm.gov

Not all land was patented

- Not all applicants completed process to receive legal rights to their land
 - Abandoned process
 - Defaulted on payments
- General Land Office Records (gloreCORDS.blm.gov) recorded *only* patented land

Tract Books

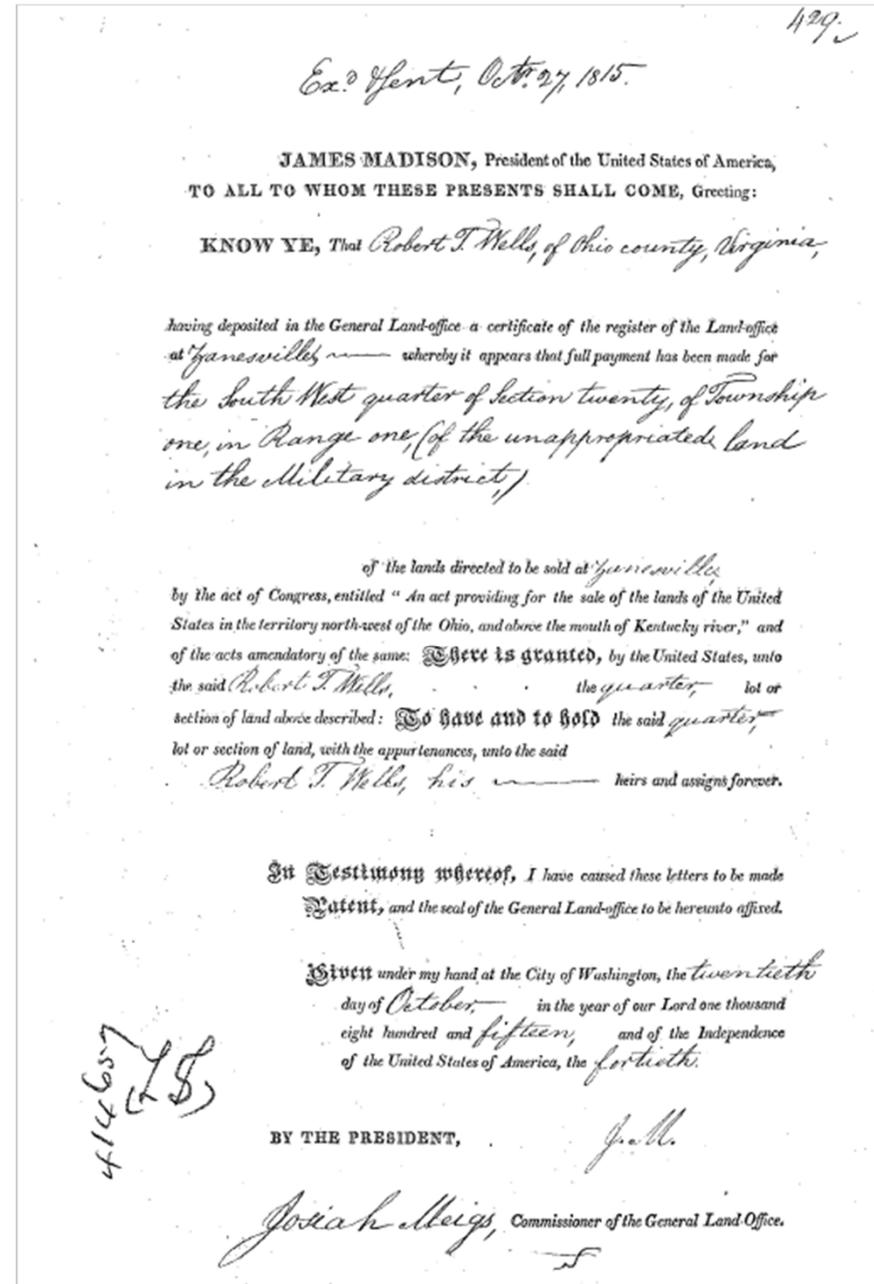
- Ledgers used to record transfer of federal land to private ownership
- Contains
 - Name of purchaser
 - Description of land
 - Date
 - Type of transaction
 - Final status

Tract Books

- Ohio Tract Books
 - Organized by land office
 - Township
 - Range
- FamilySearch.org
- Ohio History Connection

- Robert T. Wells' patent
- Resident of Ohio County, Virginia
– Now West Virginia
- Location of land

Robert T. Wells patent



Land Entry Case Files

- Documented transfer of federal land to private ownership
 - Recorded when ancestor applied for land
 - Can contain information about family, military service, citizenship
- Pre-1840 files contain more information about land
- Post-1840 files contain more information about individual



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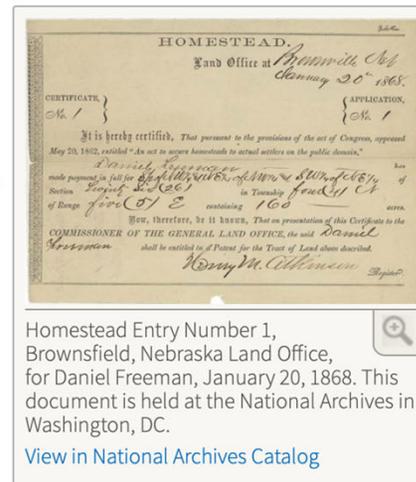
Introduction

The land records that are generally of most interest to genealogists are the land entry case files. These are records that document the transfer of public lands from the U.S. Government to private ownership.

There are over ten million such individual land transactions in the custody of the National Archives. These case files cover land entries in all 30 public land states.

The case files were filed as either military bounty land warrants, pre-1908 general land entry files, or as post-1908 land entry files. The information required to access and order copies of the records will differ depending on which of these 3 categories the transaction falls into.

- [Learn how to access these records](#) →
- For more background information and an overview of important terminology, view [Research in the Land Entry Files of the General Land Office](#)



Homestead Entry Number 1, Brownsfield, Nebraska Land Office, for Daniel Freeman, January 20, 1868. This document is held at the National Archives in Washington, DC. [View in National Archives Catalog](#)

How to Order

To order land entry case files (such as credit, cash, homestead, and mineral) or surrendered military bounty land warrants:

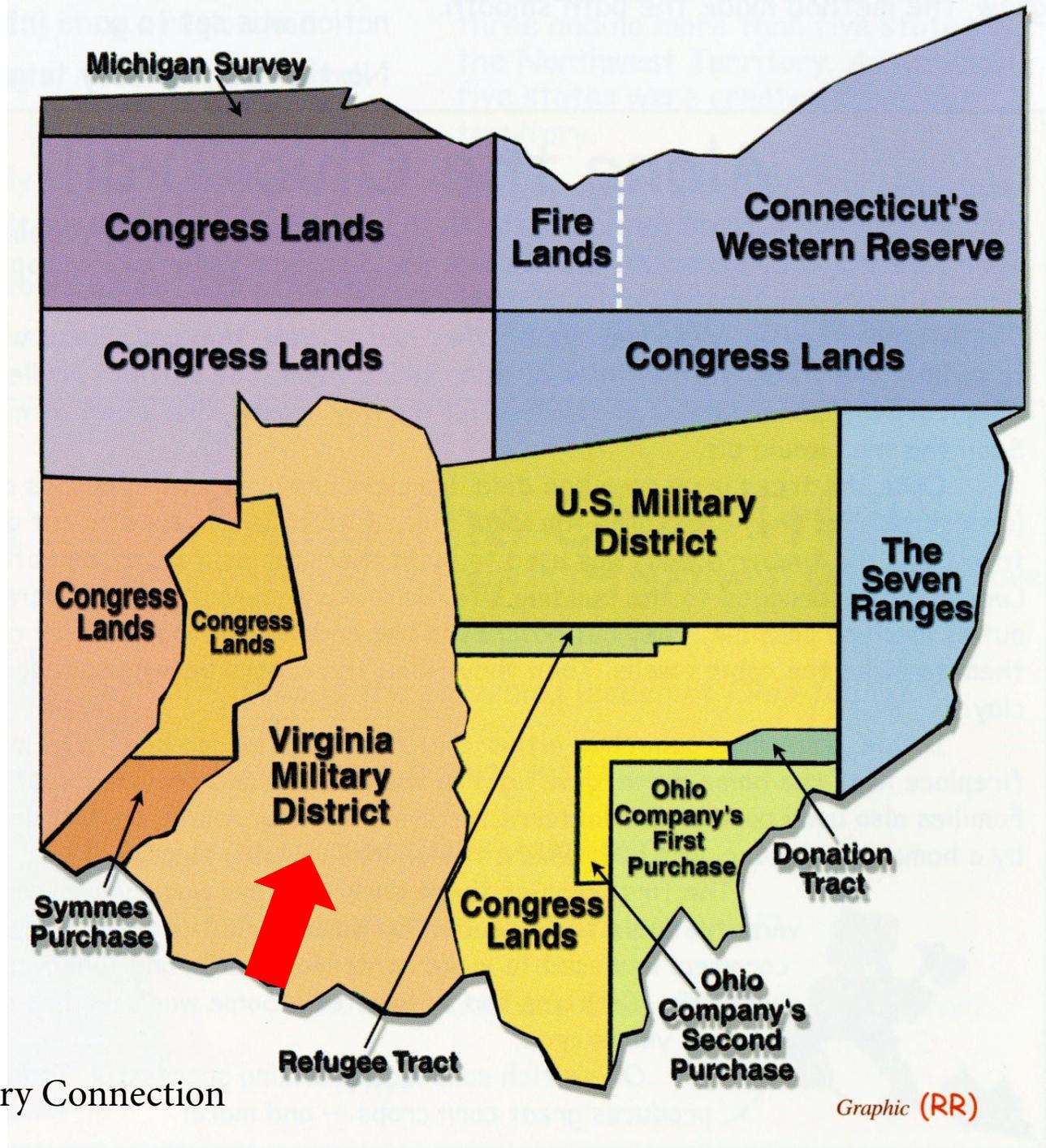
Use **Form Number NATF 84**, or [Order Online](#)

<https://www.archives.gov/research/land/land-records>



QUESTIONS?

Private Land Surveys/Sales to private groups



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Virginia Military District

- Land claimed by Virginia
 - Between Scioto and Little Miami Rivers
 - 4,200,000+ acres
- Reserved for veterans of Revolutionary War
- Metes and bounds survey system
 - Relies on natural landmarks (tree, rock, etc.)
 - Not Public Land Survey System



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Researching the Virginia Military District

Warrants were given for service in the Revolutionary War and were needed for land to be surveyed. After land was surveyed and approved by the Federal Government, a patent (deed) was sent to the Chillicothe land office for pickup. Often warrants were sold for money, and the first purchaser would be considered the assignee. **The warrant number will connect the person (warrantee or assignee) to the survey number to the land received.** When interested in researching land ownership in the Virginia Military District, determine what information you may already know. One of four possible pieces of information is needed to access the surveyed land.

1. Name of soldier or assignee
2. Warrant number
3. Survey Number
4. Location of land

If not much of this information is known, please try any of the access points below.

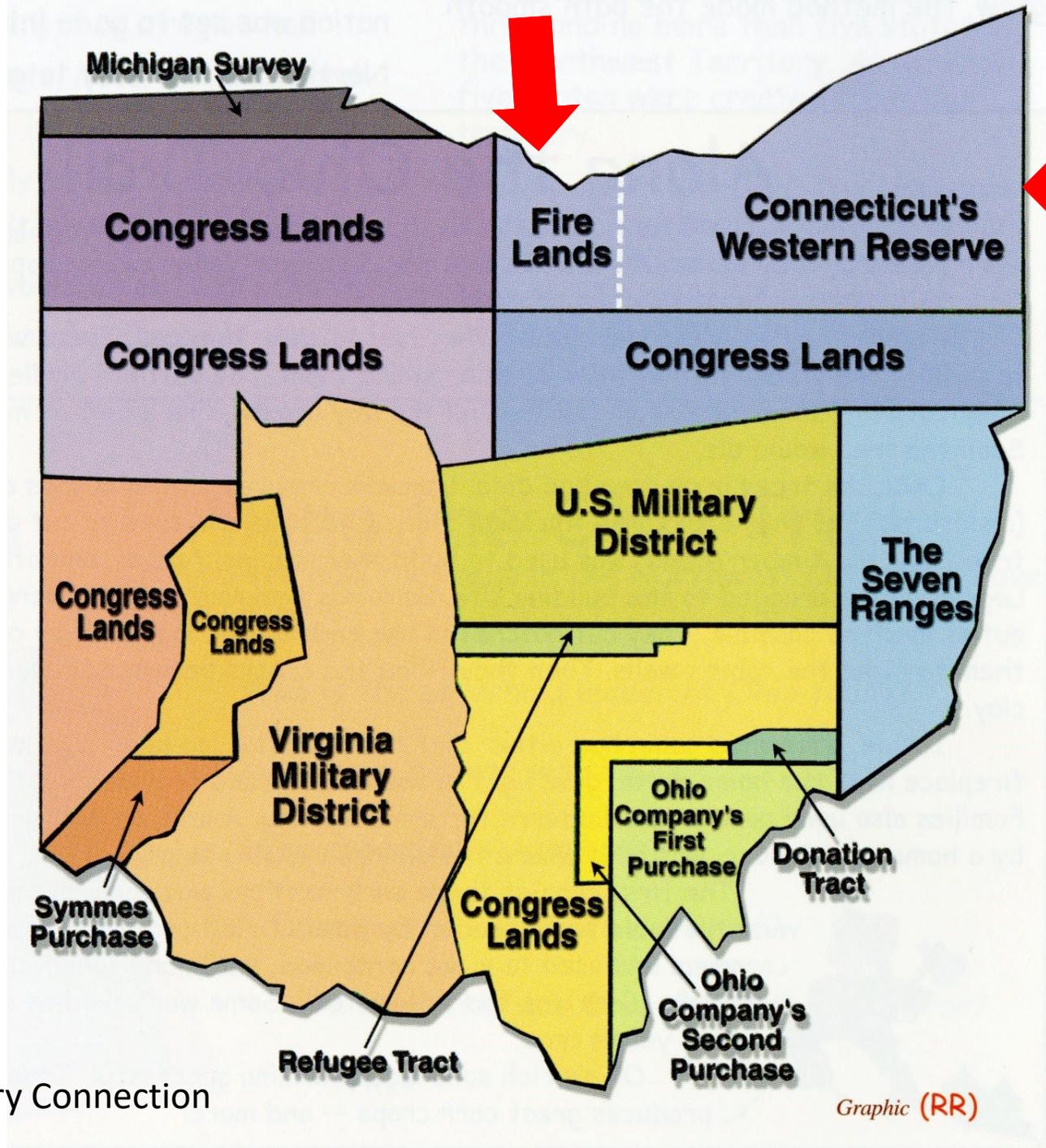
Please Note: the Archives & Library holds limited resources to track 19th and 20th Century land transactions.

What do Virginia Military District records contain?

Entry Books: Includes information regarding entry number, names of the person(s) for whom the survey was done, VMD warrant number used, number of acres claimed, and description of survey boundaries. (In most cases entry number is the same as the survey number)

Survey Books: Includes information regarding names of person(s) for whom the survey was done, VMD warrant number used, number of acres claimed, description of the trees and waters used to mark the survey boundaries, dates of entry or survey, names of surveyors





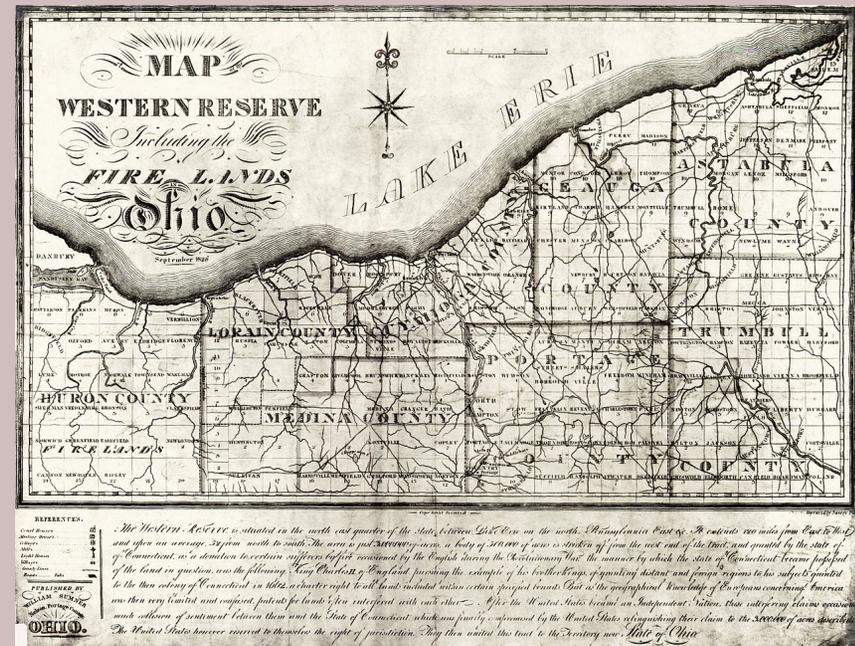
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Connecticut Western Reserve

- Land claimed by Colony of Connecticut in northeastern Ohio by royal charter
- Connecticut ceded much of territory to United States in 1786
- Maintained 3,000,000+ tract that became Western Reserve
- Lands sold to Connecticut Land Company

Connecticut Land Company

- Land speculation company founded in 1795
- Encouraged settlement in Connecticut Western Reserve
 - New Englanders



Where are the records?

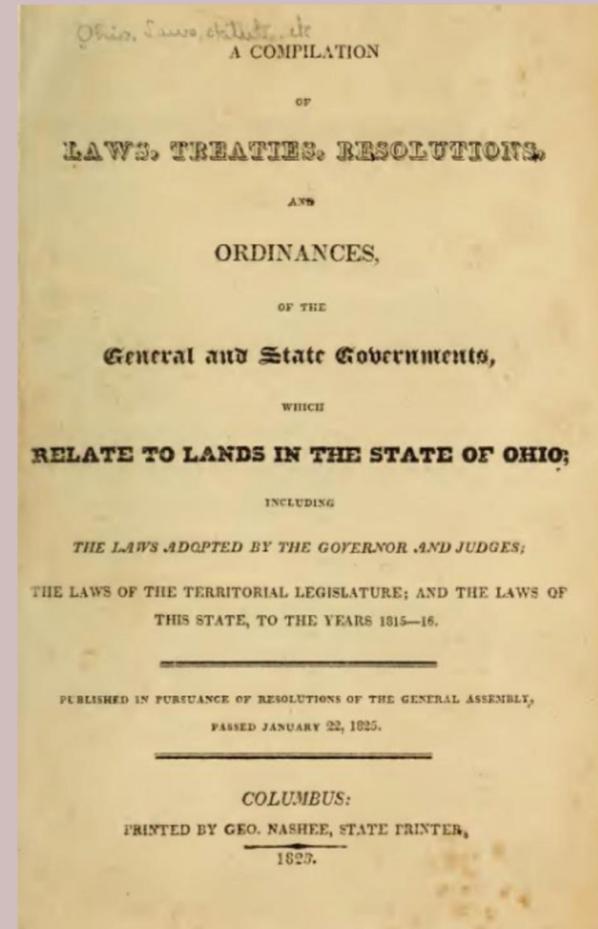
- Connecticut State Library
 - Includes deeds, financial transactions, correspondence
- Western Reserve Historical Society
 - Includes surveys, plats, correspondence

Firelands

- Also known as “Sufferers Lands”
- Reserved for families that sustained losses during raids of Danbury, New Haven, Fairfield, Norwalk, and New London during American Revolution
- Western section of Western Reserve
 - Erie and Huron counties
 - 500,000 acres

Firelands

- Contains names of Sufferers
 - Losses incurred
- Organized by town
- FamilySearch.org



Where are the records?

- Connecticut State Library
- Yale University
- Western Reserve Historical Society
- Check local collections, too
 - Town records

County Land Records

Types

- Deeds
- Mortgages
- Sheriff's Deed or Sale
- Leases
- Assignments
- Quitclaims
- Divisions/Partitions
- Power of Attorney

Deed

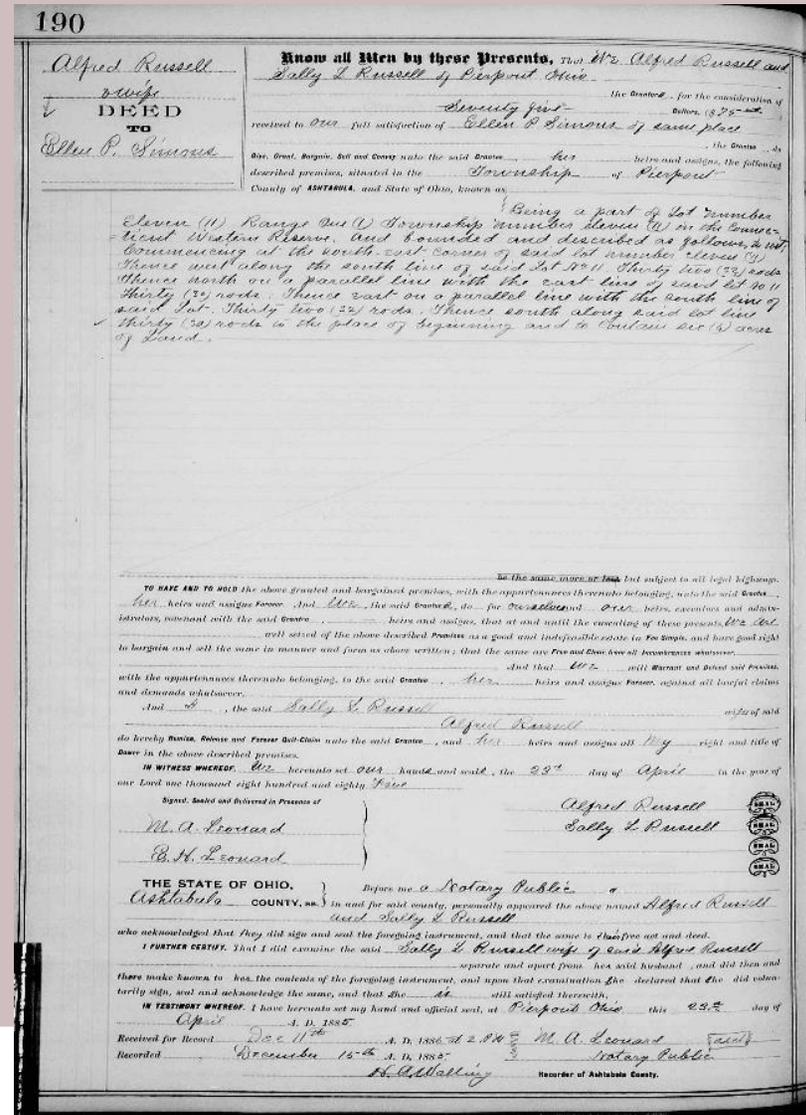
- Legal document that transfers the ownership of property from one party to another party
 - Also referred to as Warranty Deed

Process

1. Seller agrees to sell land to the buyer
2. Buyer pays the seller agreed upon amount
3. Deed is written
4. Seller takes deed to courthouse
5. Dower release (if necessary)
6. Clerk records deed
7. Deed given to buyer

Format

- Seller and Buyer
- Payment
- Property description
- Legal language
- Dates
- Witnesses



Grantee

Payment

Grantors

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Alfred Russell
 & wife
 DEED
 TO
 Ellen P. Simons

Know all Men by these Presents, That We Alfred Russell and Sally L. Russell of Pierpont Ohio the Grantors, for the consideration of Seventy five Dollars, (\$75-⁰⁰) received to our full satisfaction of Ellen P. Simons of same place, the Grantee do Give, Grant, Bargain, Sell and Convey unto the said Grantee her heirs and assigns, the following described premises, situated in the Township of Pierpont County of ASHTABULA, and State of Ohio, known as

Being a part of Lot number Eleven (11) Range One (1) Township number eleven (11) in the Connecticut Western Reserve, and bounded and described as follows, to wit, Commencing at the south-east corner of said lot number eleven (11) Thence west along the south line of said Lot No 11. Thirty two (32) rods Thence north on a parallel line with the east line of said lot No 11 Thirty (30) rods; Thence east on a parallel line with the south line of said Lot. Thirty two (32) rods. Thence south along said lot line thirty (30) rods to the place of beginning and to contain six (6) acres of Land.

Ashtabula County, Ohio

Property description

Legal language

Deed date written

Witnesses

Date of Recording

~~be the same more or less~~, but subject to all legal highways.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above granted and bargained premises, with the appurtenances therunto belonging, unto the said Grantee, her heirs and assigns Forever. And We, the said Grantor, do for ourselves and our heirs, executors and administrators, covenant with the said Grantee, her heirs and assigns, that at and until the enscaling of these presents, We are well seized of the above described Premises as a good and indefeasible estate in Fee Simple, and have good right to bargain and sell the same in manner and form as above written; that the same are Free and Clear from all Incumbrances whatsoever.

And that We will Warrant and Defend said Premises, with the appurtenances therunto belonging, to the said Grantee, her heirs and assigns Forever, against all lawful claims and demands whatsoever,

And I, the said Sally L Russell wife of said Alfred Russell

do hereby Remise, Release and Forever Quit-Claim unto the said Grantee, and her heirs and assigns all My right and title of Dower in the above described premises.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We hereunto set our hands and seal, the 23rd day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty Five

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in Presence of

M. A. Leonard } Alfred Russell 
E. H. Leonard } Sally L Russell 



THE STATE OF OHIO, } Before me a Notary Public a
Ashtabula COUNTY, ss. } in and for said county, personally appeared the above named Alfred Russell
and Sally L Russell

who acknowledged that they did sign and seal the foregoing instrument, and that the same is their free act and deed.

I FURTHER CERTIFY, That I did examine the said Sally L Russell wife of said Alfred Russell separate and apart from her said husband, and did then and there make known to her the contents of the foregoing instrument, and upon that examination she declared that she did voluntarily sign, seal and acknowledge the same, and that she is still satisfied therewith.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, at Pierpont Ohio this 23rd day of April A. D. 1885

Received for Record Dec 11th A. D. 1885 at 2 P.M. M. A. Leonard Notary Public
Recorded December 15th A. D. 1885 H. A. Walling Recorder of Ashtabula County.

Ashtabula County, Ohio

Tip

Note the witnesses

Witnesses

- Always note the witnesses
- Can be a member of your ancestor's cluster
 - Family
 - Associates
 - Neighbors
- Always confirm identity

Cluster Research

- **Cluster research:** Studying the records left by your ancestor's FAN Club
- Family
- Associates
- Neighbors



QUESTIONS?

Mortgages

- Money borrowed using land as security
- Mortgagor = Person who mortgages property
 - Borrower
 - Owner of property
- Mortgagee = Person who holds mortgage
 - Lender

How can I tell if it's a mortgage?

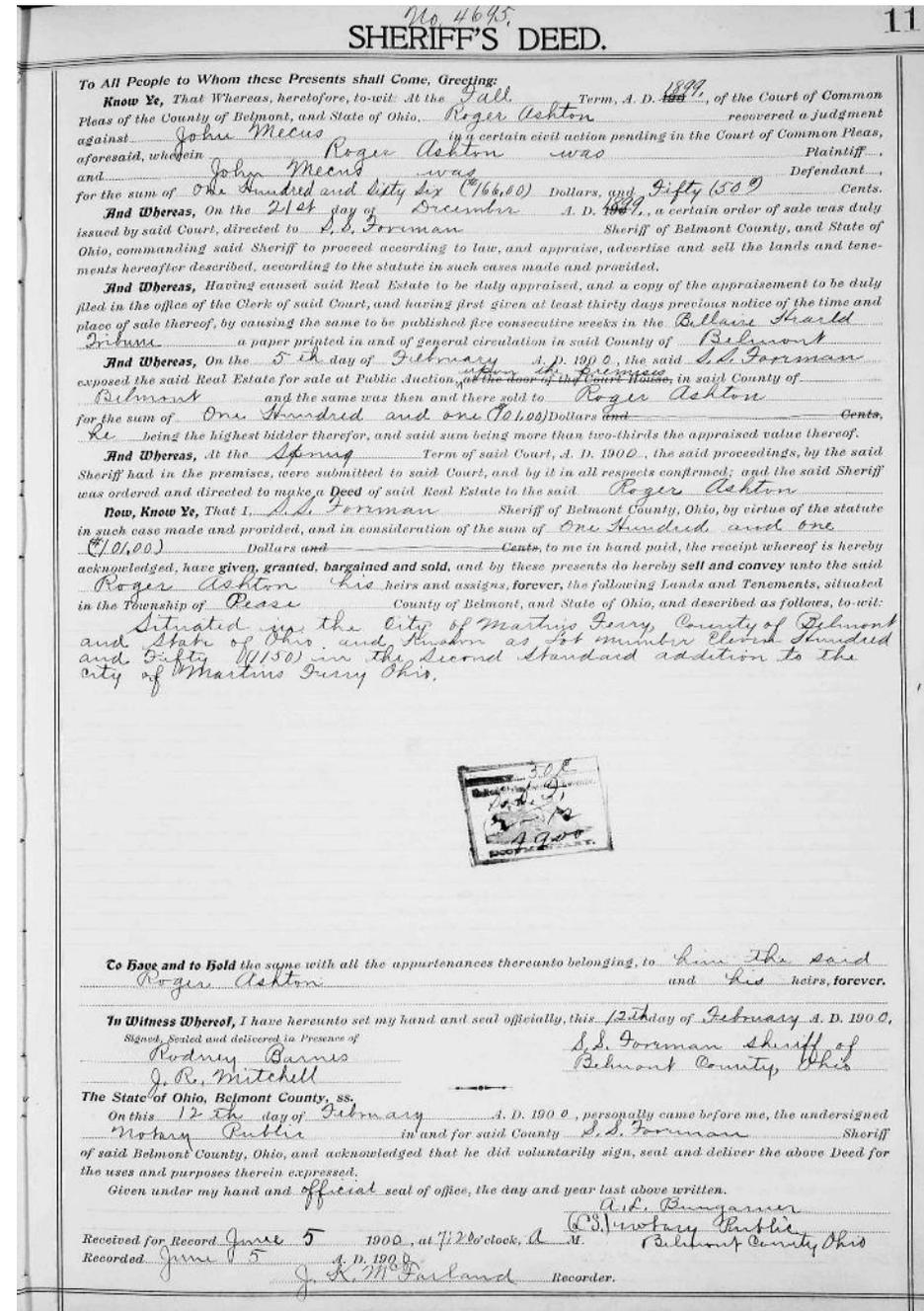
- Indicated in index
- Repayment information included within the deed
- Can be recorded in separate deed books
- Clerk often confirmed repayment in the left-hand column of deed

Sheriff's Deed or Sale

- Forced sale of property
 - Likely due to failure to pay taxes
 - Satisfy judgement against landowner
- Sheriff auctions off property
- Can be recorded under “Sheriff” in grantor index
- Deeds can sometimes be recorded in separate volumes
- Can also be recorded in court records

- Roger Ashton purchased property for \$101
- Former owner John Mecus was in arrears for \$166
- Land located in Martin's Ferry

Belmont County, Ohio



Where can I find deeds?

- FamilySearch.org
 - Collections vary by county
 - Not everything digitized
- County Recorder
 - Most complete collections
 - Includes lesser used land records
 - Dower records, Sherriff's deeds

Deed records, 1800-1881 ; Index, 1803-1907

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Notes

Microfilm of original records in the Muskingum County courthouse, Zanesville, Ohio.

Also includes separate indexes at the beginning of some volumes.

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his hand and affixed his seal, the day and year first within.
signed sealed and delivered
in presence of
And. Walker }
J. C. Bryant }
Mansfield G. Carter Esq

State of Ohio }
Muskingum County }
Mansfield G. Carter came personally
before the subscriber, a justice of the peace in and for the
said County and acknowledged the signing and sealing of
the foregoing deed to be his voluntary act and deed for the
purpose therein expressed, and that he is still satisfied there-
with. Given under my hand this 14th day of Sept:
A.D. 1846. And. Walker J. Peace.

Entered for record Oct. 26th 1840 at 6 o'clock. P. M.
Musada Oct 28 1840. William H. Anderson by Curtis Williams.

To Indenture made this fourteenth day of September, one
thousand eight hundred and forty, between William H. Anderson
and Ann Georgiana his wife, of the County of Muskingum and State
of Ohio of the one part and Curtis Williams of the same County
and State aforesaid of the other part witnesses, that the said
William H. Anderson and Georgiana, his wife, for and in con-
sideration of the sum of sixty dollars to them in hand paid
by the said Curtis Williams, the receipt whereof they do here-
by acknowledge, hath granted bargain and sold, and by
these presents doth grant bargain and sell alien convey and
confirm unto the said Curtis Williams and to his heirs and
assigns forever, eight numbered ^{four} (4) Acre in Williams ad-
dition to the town of Dresden in the aforesaid County of
Muskingum and State of Ohio aforesaid as the recorded plat
of said additions will more fully show reference thereto be-
ing had. To Have and to hold the aforesaid above described
Premises, with all and singular the Privileges and Appurte-
nances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining, unto
him the said Curtis Williams and to his heirs and assigns
forever. Provided always, and these presents are upon this
express condition, that if the said William H. Anderson
shall well and truly pay and discharge the several notes
of hand bearing even date here with, executed by him the
said William H. Anderson to the said Curtis Williams each
for the sum of twenty eight dollars (\$28), one due six
months after date and the other twelve months after date
both bearing interest from the date hereof, that then and for

Grantor and Grantee

Locating ancestral land

John Sutton	5			1		2
Joseph Alban	1			1		1
John Tutts	1	2		2	1	4
William Quark	1			1		2
Edward Nugant	2	3		1	1	2
William Alban	2			1		1
Peter Ruby						1
Robert Hall		1		1	2	1



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Oct	10	1812	Anderson William	fr	Anderson Benjamin	B	186	160	12	19	7		100	00
Apr	3	1813	Allen William	fr	Clark George	B	389	160	26	12	10		345	00
Sep	5	1815	Alexander William	fr	County Commissioners	C	320	Canton				205 206 207	125	00
Jun	12	1818	Same	to	Alexander Thomas	C	608	De				205 206 207	200	00
Mar	14	1822	Armstrong William	to	McClellan Hugh	E	54	93	29	10	8		300	00
Apr	1	1822	Allen William	to	Allen Joseph	E	244	160	26	12	10		1200	00
Dec	10	1823	Armstrong William	fr	Bratten James	E	307	Power of Atty.					-----	
Jun	19	1824	Same Atty.	to	Kortz Jacob	E	427	160	5	12	10		800	00
Nov	29	1823	Same	to	McClelland George	F	145	40	29	10	8		100	00
Jun	22	1825	Anderson William	to	Burns Benjamin	F	269	161	12	19	7		201	87
Apr	20	1829	Achison Winson	fr	Williams George	G	114	Canton		S	1/2	8	70	00
Jun	6	1828	Armstrong William	to	Black James	G	443	10	24	10	9		50	00
Jun	6	1828	Same	to	Pence William	H	59	5	24	10	9		27	50
Oct	15	1829	Achison Winson	to	Gedden Seth	H	416	Canton			Pt	8	16	50
May	3	1829	Armstrong William	to	Bachtel Joseph	H	535	35	29	10	8		180	00
Sep	7	1831	Anderson William	fr	Anderson John Sr.	I	595	40	25	17	6		50	00
July	2	1831	Andrews Wm Etal	to	Duncan James	I	375	---	17	10	9		300	00

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James Madison,

President of the United States of America,

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:



KNOW YE, *That William Alban, of Jefferson County, Ohio,*

having deposited in the General Land-Office a certificate of the Register of the Land-Office at Canton, whereby it appears that full payment has been



made for the North West Quarter of Section fourteen, of Township one, in Range ten,

[Decorative flourish]

of the lands directed to be sold at Canton,
by the act of Congress, entitled "An act providing for the sale of the lands of the United States in the territory north-west of the Ohio, and above the mouth of Kentucky river," and of the acts amendatory of the same, **There is granted,** by the United States, unto the said *William Alban, the quarter* lot or section
of land above described: **To have and to hold** the said *Quarter* lot or section
of land, with the appurtenances, unto the said
William Alban, his heirs and assigns forever.

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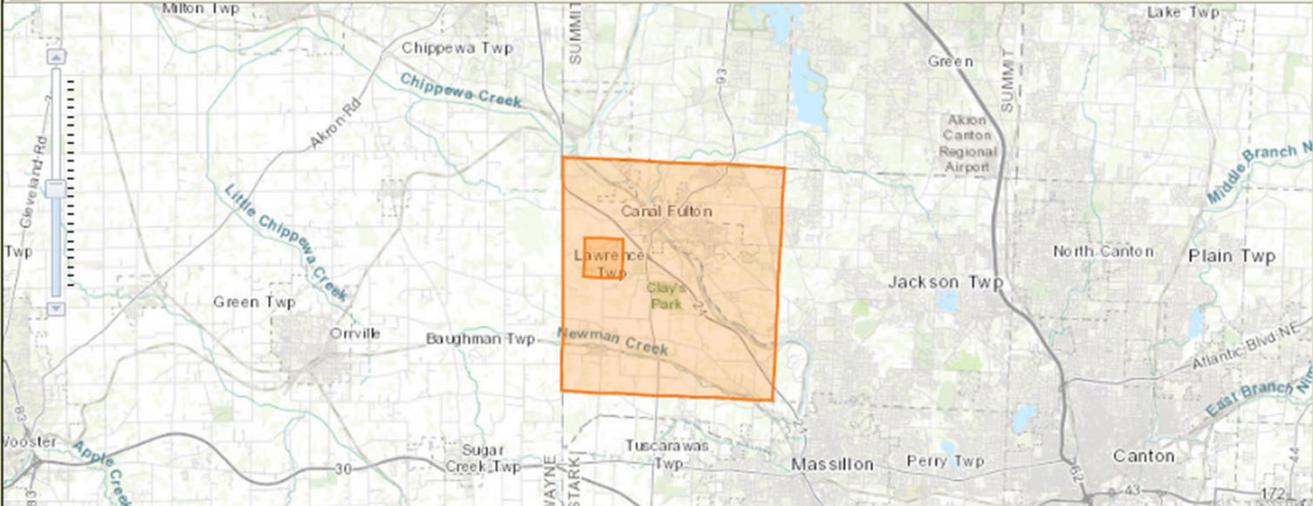
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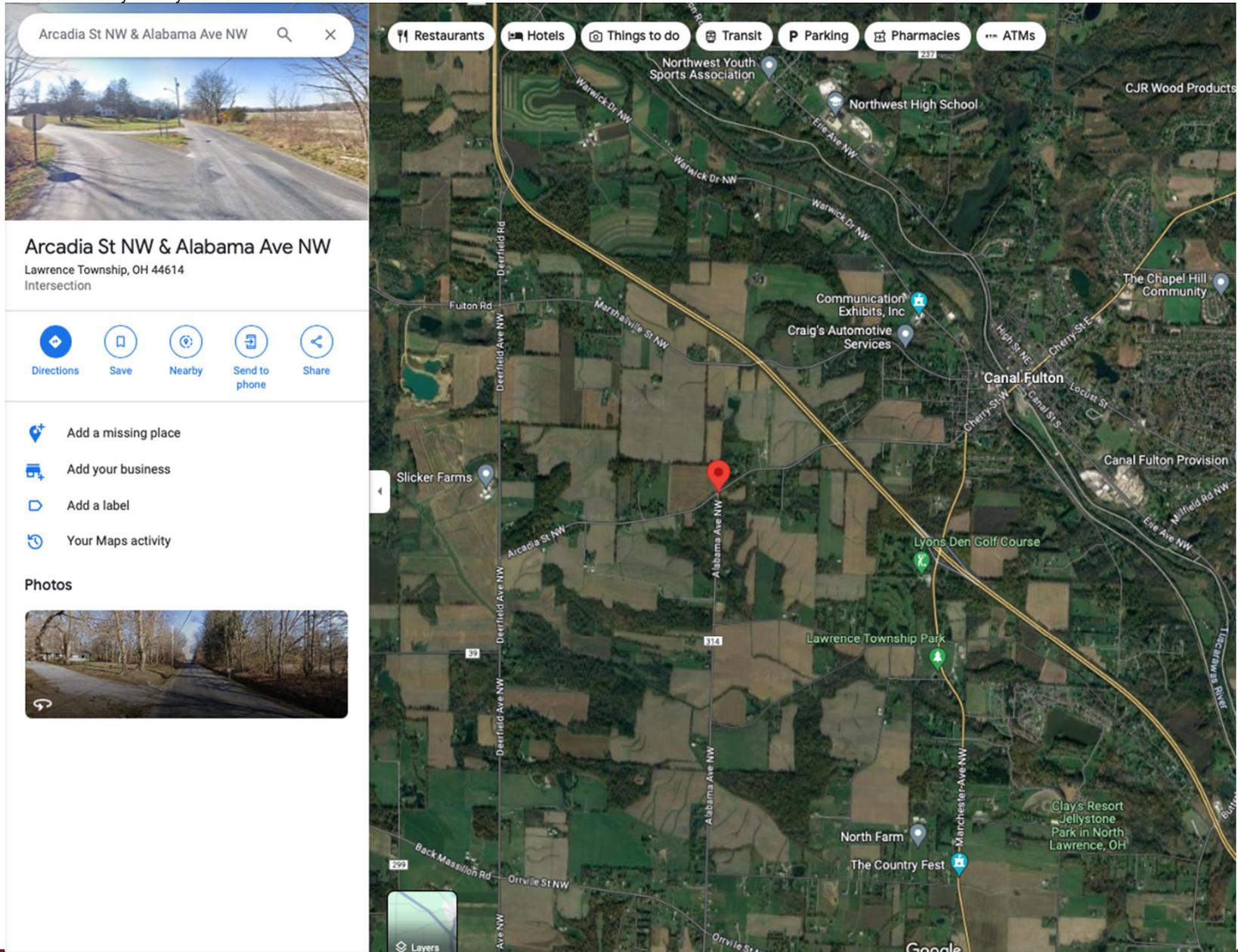
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