

WHEN PROOF ISN'T REALLY PROOF AFTER ALL



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Proof is the accumulation of acceptable evidence. "Evaluate the Evidence," *FamilySearch Wiki*.

Evaluate research conclusions, share information, and then share family trees:

1. Count the documents and read the citations.
2. Relevance of the Record
3. Category of the Record
4. Format of the Record
5. Nature of the Information
6. Directness of the Evidence
7. Consistency and Clarity of the Facts
8. Likelihood of Events
9. Establishing Proof
 - a. Clear and Convincing Evidence
 - b. Genealogical Proof Standard
 1. **Reasonably exhaustive research has been conducted.**
 2. **Each statement of fact has a complete and accurate source citation.**
 3. **The evidence is reliable and has been skillfully correlated and interpreted.**
 4. **Any contradictory evidence has been resolved.**

5. The conclusion has been soundly reasoned and coherently written.

c. Look for original documents—digital, microfilmed, and in repository

10. Continue learning

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