

How to Cite St. Louis and Missouri Sources

Finding the correct source for information about your ancestor can require time-consuming research. Once you've found a record, book, person, Web page, artifact, or any source, make sure you document where you found it. You may need to return to that same record at some point and finding it a second time may be just as difficult as it was the first time. It can be frustrating to determine exactly what information needs to be included for a specific citation and what order the elements of the citation should follow. The society created this Web page to assist with citing St. Louis and Missouri sources. If you don't have St. Louis ancestors, these citations can serve as a model for any community. Just substitute your particular location utilizing the same format.

One of the biggest mistakes made by beginning genealogists is not thoroughly documenting where they find every piece of information. Most genealogists will admit they have a piece of information, found early in their research, for which they have no documentation. Don't make this same mistake yourself. Take some time to read and become familiar with *Evidence Explained; Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace* or *Evidence! Citation & Analysis for the Family Historian* both by Elizabeth Shown Mills.

Citing an online database like *Ancestry.com*, *familysearch.org*, or *Fold3.com* with just the title of the Web page is not a sufficient source citation. Online genealogy sites usually have multiple databases, therefore the specific database title, date accessed, URL, and specific data found are all part of the citation. Several QuickSheets, based on *Evidence Explained* are available to assist with these source citations. These include [QuickSheet: Citing Ancestry.com Databases & Images](#), [QuickSheet - Citing Online Historical Resources](#) and "[QuickSheet, Citing Online African-American Historical Resources](#)."

As you read Web pages, check for citation guides on each site to help you understand all of the details of a source. For example, both the National Archives and Missouri State Archives have citation guides available online. The National Archives guide is "Citing Records in the National Archives of the United States: General Information Leaflet, Number 17," <http://www.archives.gov/publications/general-info-leaflets/17-citing-records.html> and the Missouri State Archives guide is "Research Room: Citing Records at the Missouri State Archives," <http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/citations.asp>.

At a minimum, for each piece of information in your research, you should document:

- the title of the source;
- the author(s), editor(s), or compiler(s);
- the publisher including date and place of publication;
- the page number;
- the film number;

- the series title;
- the record group name and number;
- the URL for any online source;
- the date found; and
- the repository where the source was located.

The best source is an original source, one created at the time an event occurred. A source is either original or derivative. The information a source provides is either primary or secondary information. The information needs to be analyzed as direct or indirect evidence to determine if it provides proof of the event. A birth certificate is an original source of information for the birth. An amended or delayed birth certificate is not an original source, but the information may be primary depending on who gave the information. The researcher must evaluate a source to determine who gave the information and the time frame in which it was given.

A death certificate is an original source for the death of that person. The birth information on a death certificate is secondary or tertiary information, depending on who gave the information. An index can be a source and direct you to a volume and/or page in a source, but the index should not be the only source you utilize. You should always consult the original record for the best source of information.

This Web page is designed to assist the researcher in citing St. Louis and Missouri records. As new St. Louis or Missouri sources are identified, additions will be made. If you have any corrections or to help us grow the Web page, if there is a St. Louis or Missouri source not shown on this chart, please send an e-mail to the society, <wiki.fagyal@stlgs.org> with the following information:

- type of source;
- name of the source;
- author(s), editor(s) or compiler(s);
- publisher, publisher location, publication date;
- Web page title and URL;
- any other significant information about the source; and
- an example of the source with an actual citation to be used on the Web page.

Cemetery Records

Any cemetery index in printed or database format does not present original data. The data has been transcribed, edited, and reformatted. Some errors may occur along the way. In every case, the researcher is advised to use an Index to locate the cemetery and then to contact that cemetery for further information or actually go to the cemetery to look at the record or tombstone yourself.

Elements of the citation could include: Title, author or compiler, publisher, publisher address, date of publication, page number, name of person in record, URL, name of Web page, film or fiche number.

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Book Format	[Compiler or author], <i>[Title]</i> , vol. [number] ([Publication city], [Publication state]: [Publisher], [year published]), [page number], [Name of person]. [Comments or details describing the setup or contents of the publication].	[Compiler or author], <i>[Title]</i> , [volume number]: [page number].	[Compiler or author]. <i>[Title]</i> . Volume [number]. [Publication city], [Publication state]: [Publisher], [year published].
Example	St. Louis Genealogical Society, <i>Old Cemeteries St. Louis County, Missouri</i> , bk. VI (St. Louis, Missouri: St. Louis Genealogical Society, 2003), 226, Susan Laura Schumacher. [The tombstones were copied by members of the St. Louis Genealogical Society and are arranged in alphabetical order by cemetery].	St. Louis Genealogical Society, <i>Old Cemeteries St. Louis County, Missouri</i> , VI: 226.	St. Louis Genealogical Society. <i>Old Cemeteries St. Louis County, Missouri</i> . Book VI. St. Louis, Missouri: St. Louis Genealogical Society, 2003.
Compact Disc (CD)	[Compiler], <i>[Title]</i> . Compact disc (CD) [number] ([Publication city], [Publication state]: [Publisher], [publication year]), [Name of person], [Cemetery name, section, block, lot]. [(Comments about the transcription example) The tombstones were copied by members of the St. Louis Genealogical Society. The index files contain names arranged alphabetically within all cemeteries].	[Compiler], <i>[Title]</i> , [Name of person].	[Compiler]. <i>[Title]</i> . Compact disc (CD) [number]. [Publication city], [Publication state]: [Publisher], [year published].

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Example	St. Louis Genealogical Society, <i>St. Louis Burials, Volume 2</i> . Compact disc (CD) 102 (St. Louis, Missouri: St. Louis Genealogical Society, 2003), Christ Frank, St. Matthews Cemetery. [The tombstones were copied by members of the St. Louis Genealogical Society. The index files contain names arranged alphabetically within all cemeteries].	St. Louis Genealogical Society, <i>St. Louis Burials, Volume 2</i> , Christ Frank.	St. Louis Genealogical Society. <i>St. Louis Burials, Volume 2</i> . Compact disc (CD) 102. St. Louis, Missouri: St. Louis Genealogical Society, 2003.
Cemetery Office	[Name of Cemetery] Cemetery Office (St. Louis, Missouri) lot owner cards, lot [number], section [number], owned by [name of owner]; showing the grave site of [name of person buried] in grave [number]; photocopy courtesy of the [Owner of Cemetery], [Name of Cemetery] Cemetery.	[Name of Cemetery] Cemetery Office, lot owner cards, lot [number], section [number], showing the grave site of [Name of person buried] in grave [number].	[Name of Cemetery] Cemetery Office (St. Louis, Missouri). Lot card and deed. Photocopies provided to author. [Year provided to author].
Example	Calvary Cemetery Office (St. Louis, Missouri) lot owner cards, lot 21, section 17, owned by Sarah E. Benoist; showing the grave site of Peter H. Wilson in grave 5; photocopy courtesy of the Archdiocese of St. Louis Catholic Cemeteries, Calvary Cemetery.	Calvary Cemetery Office, lot owner cards, lot 21, section 17, Peter H. Wilson, grave 5.	Calvary Cemetery Office (St. Louis, Missouri). Lot owner card. Photocopy provided to author. 1981.
Grave Marker	[Name of Cemetery] Cemetery (City, County, State), [Name of person] grave marker, section [number], lot [number]; read and photographed by [name], [date read and/or photographed].	[Name of cemetery] Cemetery [(City, State abbreviated)], [Name of person] grave marker.	[Name of Cemetery] Cemetery (City, County, State). Grave markers.

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Example	St. Peter's Cemetery (St. Louis, St. Louis County, Missouri), Elisabeth Schulze grave marker, section 0–Old Section, Block 1000, grave number 3; read and photographed by Charlene and Viki Fagyal, 18 April 1990.	St. Peter's Cemetery (St. Louis, Mo.), Elisabeth Schulze grave marker.	St. Peter's Cemetery (St. Louis, St. Louis County, Missouri). Grave markers.
Microfiche/ Microfilm	“[Title of Record],” [St. Louis, Missouri] (St. Louis Genealogical Society Library, St. Louis), [Name of person] [(date of burial)], section [number], lot [number], grave [number], p. [number]; microfiche dated [date].	“[Title of record],” [Name of person], section [number], lot [number], grave [number].	“[Title of record].” [City]. [County], [State]. Card file. [Name of agency with record], [Town]. [Name of agency who microfilmed or made microfiche] microfiche [number]. [Repository], [City], [State].
Example	“Section and Lot Report for Calvary Cemetery,” St. Louis, Missouri, (St. Louis Genealogical Society Library, St. Louis), Anna C. Wilson (30 June 1911), section 5, lot G, grave 644, p. 2257; microfiche dated 31 May 1988.	“Section and Lot Report for Calvary Cemetery,” Anna C. Wilson, section 5, lot G, grave 644.	“Section and Lot Report for Calvary Cemetery.” St. Louis, Missouri. St. Louis Genealogical Society Library, St. Louis. Archdiocese of St. Louis Cemetery microfiche (31 May 1988). St. Louis, Missouri.
Web page	[Creator of the data] ([City], [State]), [Name of Web page], card-file database ([URL] : accessed [date accessed]), entry for [Name of person], no. [number], citing section [number], lot [letter or number], space [number or letter].	[Name of Web page], database entry, [Name of person], no. [number].	[Creator of the data] (City, State). [Name of Web page]. Card-file database. [URL] : [year accessed].
Example	St. Peter's Evangelical United Church of Christ (St. Louis, St. Louis County, Missouri), <i>St. Peter's Cemetery</i> , Card-file database (http://www.stpeterschurch.org/cemetery/cemetery_search.htm : 3 September 2011), entry for Elizabeth Schulze, citing section 0–Old Section, block 1000, grave 3.	<i>St. Peter's Cemetery</i> , database entry, Elisabeth Schulze, citing section 0–Old Section, block 1000, grave 3.	St. Peter's Evangelical United Church of Christ (St. Louis, St. Louis County, Missouri). <i>St. Peter's Cemetery</i> . Card-file database. http://www.stpeterschurch.org/cemetery/cemetery_search.htm : 2011.

Census Records

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Elements of the citation could include: state, county, city or town, township, ward, year, type of census, enumeration district, printed page number, handwritten page number, dwelling number, family number, name of person, name of agency that created the microfilm, micropublication, roll number, Web page title, URL, title of record, any identifying information.

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Agriculture Census	[Year] U.S. census, [County name] County, Missouri, agricultural schedule, p. [number], [name]; in-house microfilm; State Historical Society of Missouri, Columbia.	[Year] U.S. census, [County name] Co., Mo., ag. sch., p. [number], [name].	[State]. [County Name] County. [year] U.S. census, agricultural schedule. In-house microfilm. State Historical Society of Missouri, Columbia.
Example	1870 U.S. census, Franklin County, Missouri, Central Township, St. Clair Post Office, agriculture schedule, p. 5-6, Paul Georg; entry, Central Township, St. Clair Post Office, in-house microfilm; State Historical Society of Missouri, Columbia.	1870 U.S. census, Franklin Co., Mo., ag. sch., p. 5-6, Paul Georg.	Missouri. Franklin County. 1870 U.S. census, agricultural schedule. In-house microfilm. State Historical Society of Missouri, Columbia.
Census of Industry or Manufacture	[Year] U.S. census, [County name] county, Missouri, industrial and manufacturing schedule, p. [number], [name]; in-house microfilm; State Historical Society of Missouri, Columbia.	[Year] U.S. census, [County name] Co., Mo., ind. sch., p. [number], [Name].	Missouri. [County Name] county. [year] U.S. census, industrial and manufacturing schedule. In-house microfilm. State Historical Society of Missouri, Columbia.

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Example	1870 U.S. Census, Franklin County, Missouri, industrial and manufacturing schedule, Central Township, Moselle and Union Post Office, p. 4, line 8, Paul Gorg entry; in-house microfilm, roll 3, State Historical Society of Missouri, Columbia.	1870 U.S. census, Franklin Co., Mo., ind. sch., p. 4, Paul Gorg.	Missouri. Franklin County. 1870 U.S. census, industrial and manufacturing schedule. In-house microfilm. State Historical Society of Missouri, Columbia.
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Example	1790 U.S. census, Burke County, Morgan District, North Carolina, p. 100 (penned), col. 2, line 5, Thos. Sumpter; NARA microfilm publication M637, roll 7.	1790 U.S. census, Burke Co., Morgan Dist., N.C., p. 7 (penned), col. 2, line 5, Thos. Sumpter.	North Carolina. Burke County. Morgan District. 1790 U.S. census. NARA microfilm publication M637, roll 7. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.
Microfilm 1800	1800 U.S. census, [County name] County, [State], town of [Name of town], p. [number] (penned at bottom right), line [number], [Name], NARA microfilm publication M32, roll [number].	1800 U.S. census, [County name] Co., [State abbreviation], [Name of town], p. [number] (penned at bottom right), [Name].	[State]. [County name] County. 1800 U.S. census. NARA microfilm publication M32, roll [number]. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.
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Microfilm 1910–1930	[Year] U.S. census, [County name] County, [State], population schedule, enumeration district (ED) [number], p. [number] (stamped), p. [number] (penned), dwelling [number], family [number], [Name]; NARA microfilm publication T[number], roll [number].	[Year] U.S. census, [County name] Co., [State abbreviation], pop. sch., ED [number], p. [number] stamped, dwell. [number], fam. [number], [Name].	[State.] [County name] County. [Year] U.S. census, population schedule. NARA microfilm publication T[number], roll [number]. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.
Example	1930 U. S. Census, St. Louis County, Missouri, population schedule, enumeration district (ED) 95–46, sheet 9A (handwritten, 130 printed), dwelling 163, family 213, C. Henry Wolfsberger; NARA microfilm publication T626, roll 1224.	1930 U. S. Census, St. Louis Co., Mo., pop. sch., ED 95–46, sheet 9A (handwritten, 130 printed), dwell. 163, fam. 213, C. Henry Wolfsberger.	Missouri. St. Louis County. 1930 U. S. Census, population schedule. NARA microfilm publication T626, roll 1224. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.
Mortality Schedule 1850–1880 Missouri	[Year] U.S. census, [County name] County, [State], mortality schedule, p. [number], [Name]; State Historical Society of Missouri, roll [number].	[Year] U.S. census, [County name] Co., [State abbreviation], mortality schedule, p. [number], [Name].	[State]. [County name] County. [Year] U.S. census, mortality schedule. State Historical Society of Missouri, roll [number]. Columbia : State Historical Society of Missouri, n.d.
Example	1880 U.S. census, Franklin County, Missouri, mortality schedule, p. 1, Jno. Schiller, State Historical Society of Missouri, roll 5.	1880 U.S. census, Franklin Co., Mo., mortality schedule, p. 1, Jno. Schiller.	Missouri. Franklin County. 1880 U.S. census, mortality schedule. State Historical Society of Missouri, roll 5. Columbia: State Historical Society of Missouri, n.d.

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Online image	[Year] U.S. census, [County name] County, [State], population schedule, [Civil Division (ward, township, town or city)], enumeration district (ED) [number], sheet [number] (stamped, [number] handwritten), dwelling [number], family [number], [Person or persons]; digital image, [Web page title] ([URL] : accessed [date]); citing NARA microfilm publication [number or letter], roll [number].	[Year] U.S. census, [County name] Co., [State abbreviated], pop. sch., [Civil Division], ED [number], sheet [number] (stamped, [number] handwritten), dwell. [number], fam. [number], p. [number], [Person or persons].	[State]. [County]. [Year] U.S. census, population schedule. Digital images. [Web page title]. [URL] : [year accessed].
Example	1920 U.S. census, St. Louis city, Missouri, population schedule, ward 3, enumeration district (ED) 51, sheet 5A (handwritten, 111 stamped), dwelling 70, family 106, John Fagyal; digital image, Ancestry.com, (http://www.ancestry.com : accessed 24 September 2011); citing NARA microfilm publication T625, roll 948.	1920 U.S. census, St. Louis city, Mo., pop. sch., ward 3, (ED) 51, sheet 5A (handwritten, 111 stamped), dwell. 70, fam. 106, John Fagyal.	Missouri. St. Louis City. 1920 U.S. census, population schedule. Digital images. Ancestry.com. http://www.ancestry.com : 2011.
State Census	[Year] [State] state census, [County name] County, population schedule, [City, town, or township], p. [number], dwelling [number], family [number], for [Name of person]; [Film repository], [Film location], [film ID].	[Year] [State] state census, [County name] Co., pop. sch., [City, town, or township], p. [number], dwell. [number], fam. [number], [Name of person].	[State]. [County name] County. [Year] state census, population schedule. [Repository name], [Repository City]. [Film location] microfilm [number]. [Film repository], [Film location].
Example	1857 Missouri state census, St. Louis County, ward 2, population schedule, unpaginated (p. 6 of ward 2), for Adolphus Eichelberger; Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City, Cole County, Missouri, MSA microfilm roll C12778.	1857 Missouri state census, St. Louis Co., wd. 2, pop. sch., unpaginated (p. 6 of ward 2), for Adolphus Eichelberger.	Missouri. St. Louis County. 1857 state census, population schedule. Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City. MSA microfilm C12778, Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City, Missouri.

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Local Census with index	[Compiler or author (Given name Surname)], <i>[Title]</i> , vol. [number] ([Publication city], [Publication state]: [Publisher], [year published]), [page number], [Name of person]. [Comments or details describing the setup or contents of the publication].	[Compiler or author (Surname only), <i>[Title]</i> , [volume number]: [page number].	[Compiler or author (Surname, Given name)]. <i>[Title]</i> . Volume [number]. [Publication city], [Publication state]: [Publisher], [year published].
Example	Dennis Northcott, <i>1845 Census of the City of St. Louis (partial)</i> (St. Louis, Missouri: Missouri Historical Society, 1995), 90, Louis A. Benoist. [This contains a copy of the surviving portion of the 1845 census of the city of St. Louis with an index].	Northcott, <i>1845 Census of the City of St. Louis (partial)</i> , 90.	Northcott, Dennis. <i>1845 census of the City of St. Louis (partial)</i> . St. Louis, Missouri: Missouri Historical Society, 1995.

Court Records

Court records provide a vast array of genealogical information. Records include vital records for birth, marriage and death, coroners' records, probate records including guardianships, wills and administrations, land transactions, tax records, naturalizations, and divorces. For the most part, court records are created at the time the event occurs. Courts also heard civil and criminal matters. Court records may be found on the municipal, county, state, and federal levels. These records will need to be evaluated to determine who provided the information and their relationship to the principal in the record. An additional consideration is the provenance of the record. Was the record book copied more than one time? Were errors made when the record was read and recopied?

Land records, naturalization records, probate records, and vital records are included in their own sections of this chart.

Elements of the citation could include: the name of the court, the location of the court, the type of record, the name of the office creating or holding the record, the names of the participants, the date of the record, the case name, the volume and page(s) of the record, the Web page title, the URL, the date the record was accessed, the microfilm or microfiche number and item number, the repository for the film, and repository address.

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Court case Online	[City or County of jurisdiction], [State of jurisdiction], [Series] [case File number], [Case name], [court term], “[item of interest,]” [record date]; digital images, [Web page owner], [<i>Web page title</i>] (URL : accessed [date]).	[City or County of jurisdiction], [State of jurisdiction abbreviation], [Series] [case file number], [Case name], [court term], “[item of interest.]”	[State of jurisdiction]. [City or County of Jurisdiction]. [Series]. [Repository], [Repository location]. Digital images. [Web page creator]. [<i>Web page title</i>]. [URL] : [year accessed].
Example	City of St. Louis, Missouri, Circuit Court Case Files, Case No. 26, Molly Rector, a free woman of color v. John Bivens, November Term 1827, “Petition of False Imprisonment for Molly Rector,” 14 September 1827; digital images, St. Louis Circuit Court and Washington University. <i>St. Louis Circuit Court Historical Records Project</i> (http://stlcourtrecords.wustl.edu) : accessed 25 September 2011).	City of St. Louis, Mo., Circuit Court Case No. 26, Rector v. Bivens, Nov. Term 1827, “Petition of False Imprisonment.”	Missouri. St. Louis, City of. Circuit Court Case Files. Office of the Circuit Clerk, City of St. Louis. Digital images. St. Louis Circuit Court and Washington University. <i>St. Louis Circuit Court Historical Records Project</i> . http://stlcourtrecords.wustl.edu : 2011.

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Criminal Case microfilm	[Jurisdiction], [State], [Series], [page or arrangement]; [item of interest]; [Record Repository], [Repository location], [Film creator abbreviation] microfilm [number].	[Jurisdiction], [State], [Series], [item of interest].	[State]. [Jurisdiction]. [Series]. [Record Repository], [Repository location], [Film creator abbreviation] microfilm [number]. [Film repository], [Film repository location].
Example	St. Louis County, Missouri, “St. Louis City Circuit Court Records, Criminal Cases, 68 Emile O Sasse–27 Patrick Murphy; 1873 November–1875 July,” case number 11; Invoice for Boarding and Keeping Prisoner Henry Schneider 17 May 1875 to 15 July 1875; Circuit Clerk’s Office, City of St. Louis, Missouri State Archives microfilm C45433.	St. Louis Co., Mo., “St. Louis City Circuit Court Records, Criminal Cases, 68 Emile O Sasse–27 Patrick Murphy; 1873 November–1875 July,” Invoice for Boarding and Keeping Prisoner Henry Schneider 17 May 1875 to 15 July 1875.	Missouri. St. Louis County. “St. Louis City Circuit Court Records, Criminal Cases, 68 Emile O Sasse–27 Patrick Murphy; 1873 November–1875 July.” Circuit Clerk’s Office, City of St. Louis, MSA microfilm C45433. Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City.
Guardianship record	[City or county of jurisdiction], [State], [Title of record], folder: “[Name of case], [year of case];” [specific item], [full date of item]; [Agency that microfilmed the record] microfilm [film number].	[County name] Co., [State abbreviation], [Title of record], folder: “[Name of case], [year of case;]” [specific item].	[State]. [City or County of Jurisdiction]. [Series title]. [Repository]. [Repository city]. [Film number or film series of numbers or number of microfilm rolls if too large to list]. [Agency that microfilmed the record]. [City of filming agency], [State of filming agency].
Example	St. Louis County, Missouri, Guardianship Case File, folder: “William Dougherty, 1825;” appointment of guardian, case 2 on film labeled as 1/2, FHL 2,231,265.	St. Louis Co., Mo., Guardianship Case Files, folder: “William Dougherty, 1825;” appointment of guardian, case 2 on film labeled as 1/2.	Missouri. St. Louis County. Missouri Guardianship Case Files, 1825–1900. Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City. 510 microfilm rolls. Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Coroner’s Records Microfilm	[City or town], [State], [Title], [arrangement]; see [date] account of [Name of deceased]; [Record office name], [City or town of record office]; Missouri State Archives microfilm [microfilm number].	[City or town], [State abbreviation], [Title], for [date or item description].	[State]. [City or Town]. [Title of series]. [Agency that microfilmed the record]. [City of filming agency].

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Example	City of St. Louis, Missouri, “Coroner’s Inquests,” Folder 17, Box 31; see 1882-1116 account of John Kranz; Coroner’s Office, City of St. Louis; Missouri State Archives microfilm C31279.	City of St. Louis, Mo., “Coroner’s Inquests,” for 1882.	Missouri. City of St. Louis. Coroner Inquests, 1830–1900. Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City. 40 microfilm rolls.
Voter Registration	[City or town], [State], [Title], vol. [number], p. [number] for [Name of registrant], age [number], [date]; citing [specific content]; [Record office], [City of Record Office]; Missouri State Archives microfilm [microfilm number].	[City or town], [State abbreviation], [Title], vol. [number], p. [number] for [Name of registrant], age [number], [date].	[State]. [City or Town]. [Title of series]. [Agency that microfilmed the record]. [City of filming agency].
Example	City of St. Louis, Missouri, <i>Voters Registration, 1928</i> , unpaginated leaves for each letter of the alphabet with names entered semi-alphabetically by first letter of the surname, for Elmer Fagyal, age 21, Board of Election Commissioners; City of St. Louis Microfilm Department microfilm DA-463.	City of St. Louis, Missouri, <i>Voters Registration, 1928</i> , for Elmer Fagyal, age 21.	Missouri. City of St. Louis. <i>St. Louis City Register of Voters, Voter Affidavits, Canceled Voter Affidavits, and Abstracts of Votes</i> . City of St. Louis Microfilm Department. City of St. Louis.

Funeral Home Records

Funeral Home records are business records. Usually a family member provides the information to the funeral home employee during a period of grief. There may be errors due to the time the information is being collected or human errors transcribing the information from notes to the record. Take note of the informant to determine the validity of the information.

Elements of the citation could include: the name and address of the funeral home, the name of the record, book and page number, if applicable, the name of the deceased, the name of the person providing the information, the present location of the record, and the format of the record. If viewed on microfilm, include the repository and microfilm number.

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Copies at StLGS Office	[Name of funeral home] ([City], [State]), “[Title of record],” p. [number], for [Name of deceased] burial entry, [date of entry]; St. Louis Genealogical Society Office, St. Louis, Missouri.	[Name of funeral home], “[Title of record] [page number].	[Name of funeral home] ([City], [State]). “[Title of record].” St. Louis Genealogical Society Office, St. Louis, Missouri.
Example	Jay B. Smith Funeral Home (Maplewood, Missouri), “Funeral Records, May 2, 1961–Jul 30, 1962,” volume 9, p. 279, for C. Henry Wolfsberger, 26 June 1962; St. Louis Genealogical Society Office, St. Louis, Missouri.	Jay B. Smith Funeral Home, “Funeral Records, May 2, 1961–Jul 30, 1962,” 279.	Jay B. Smith Funeral Home (Maplewood, Missouri). “Funeral Records, May 2, 1961–Jul 30, 1962.” Volume 9. St. Louis Genealogical Society Office, St. Louis, Missouri.
Funeral Home Original Record	[Name of Funeral Home], [City], Missouri to [recipient], letter, [date of letter], extracting data for [Name of deceased], buried [date]; [repository for letter], [Repository city], [Repository state]. [Any significant information. (Example – A copy of the funeral home record was included with the letter.)]	[Name of Funeral Home] to [Recipient], [date of letter].	[Name of Funeral Home] ([City], [State]) to [Recipient]. Letter. [Date]. Privately held by [Repository], [Repository city], [Repository state].

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Example	Ambruster Donnelly Funeral Home, St. Louis, Missouri to Emilie V. Fagyal, letter, 8 July 1995, record for Anna Catherine Wilson, buried 30 June 1911; Fagyal Correspondence Files, privately held by Emilie V. Fagyal, St. Louis, Missouri. The letter included the funeral home record for Anna Catherine Wilson, page 91, Record Book dated 1911–1916.	Ambruster Donnelly Funeral Home to Emilie V. Fagyal, 8 July 1995.	Ambruster Donnelly Funeral Home (St. Louis, Missouri) to Emilie V. Fagyal. Letter. 8 July 1995. Fagyal Correspondence Files, privately held by Emilie V. Fagyal, St. Louis, Missouri.
Microfilm	[Name of Funeral Home] (City), [State].) “[Title of record].” p. [number], for [Name of deceased], burial entry, [date of entry], record no. [number]; [Name of agency who microfilmed the record or made microfiche], microfilm/fiche [number], [Repository], [City], [State].	[Name of Funeral Home] (City), [State].) “[Title of record].” p. [number], for [Name of deceased], burial entry, [date of entry], record no. [number].	[Name of Funeral Home] (City), [State].) “[Title of record].” [Name of agency who microfilmed the record or made microfiche], microfilm/fiche [number]. [Repository], [City], [State].
Example	William Ambruster Funeral Home (St. Louis, Missouri), “Record of Funerals, 4 January 1911–14 November 1915,” p. 101, for Anna C. Wilson, burial entry, 28 June 1911, record no. 91; St. Louis Genealogical Society microfilm available as SLCL microfilm 25, St. Louis County Library, St. Louis, Missouri.	William Ambruster Funeral Home (St. Louis, Mo.), “Record of Funerals, 1911–1915,” p. 101, for Anna C. Wilson, burial entry, 28 June 1911, record no. 91.	William Ambruster Funeral Home (St. Louis, Missouri). “Record of Funerals, 4 January 1911–14 November 1915.” St. Louis Genealogical Society microfilm, available as SLCL microfilm 25. St. Louis County Library, St. Louis, Missouri.

Home and Personal Records

Many families have artifacts or family treasures that are passed down through generations. These may include family Bibles, baby books, land deeds, naturalization certificates, school and church certificates, samplers, quilts, family letters, diaries, or even family manuscripts. Where the court may have a stub for the naturalization, the family may have the actual naturalization certificate that was attached to the stub. The church may have provided a certificate of baptism to the family at the time of the event. These sources should be documented as personal artifacts. It is important to try to learn as much about the provenance of the item as possible to document its authenticity.

Elements of the citation could include: the type of record, the name and address of the person currently holding the record and how it was passed to them from the original owner, the condition of the record, the creator of the record, date of creation, any identifying information about the item, and comments about the source.

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Baby Book	[Item ID], [artifact ID or Title], [creation date]; [current or last known owner], [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,] [City], [State], [year owned]. [Add description and provenance of artifact].	[Item ID, shortened], [artifact ID or Title].	[Compiler]. [Artifact ID or Title]. [Creation date]. [Current or last known owner, [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,] [City], [State]. [Year owned].
Example	Four Generation Chart, in Eugenia L. Mason baby book, ca. 1918; Fagyal Family Collection; privately held by Emilie V. Fagyal, [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,] 1980. [<i>Babyhood Days</i> , decorated by Jessie Alma Pierson, (New York: Barse & Hopkins, 1915). The baby book was presented to Eugenia L. Mason in May 1918 by her aunt, Marguerite Wilson. It includes a four-generation chart which was completed for parents, grandparents and maternal great-grandparents in Frances E. (Wilson) Mason's handwriting.]	Four Generation Chart, in Eugenia L. Mason baby book.	Mason, Frances E. (Wilson), compiler. Eugenia L. Mason baby book, ca. 1918. Fagyal Family Collection, privately held by Emilie V. Fagyal, [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,] St. Louis, Missouri. 1980.

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Church certificate	[Item of interest] ([year] [type of certificate]); issued [year], [Name of Church], [City], State; privately held by [current or most recent owner]. [Add description and provenance of certificate].	[Item of interest] [type of certificate] ([year]), issued [year].	[Item of interest] ([year] [type of certificate]). Issued [year]. [Church Name]. [City]. [State]. [Current or most recent owner].
Example	Elmer Fagyal (1911 baptism certificate); issued 12 August 1911, Hungarian Kalven Church, East St. Louis, Illinois; Fagyal Family Collection, privately held by Emilie V. Fagyal, [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,] St. Louis, Missouri. [This certificate was passed from Elmer Fagyal to his daughter, Emilie. The certificate is signed by Reverend Kardos.]	Elmer Fagyal (1911 baptism certificate); issued 12 August 1911.	Elmer Fagyal (1911 baptismal certificate). Issued 12 August 1911. Hungarian Kalven Church, East St. Louis, Illinois. Fagyal Family Collection, privately held by Emilie V. Fagyal, [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,] St. Louis, Missouri.
Certificate of Naturalization	[Artifact Title], [item type], [City], [State], citing [description of the article]; [Repository], privately held by [Name], [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,] [City], [State]. [Statement of provenance].	[Artifact title], [item type], [Repository].	[Repository], privately held by [Name], [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,] [City], [State]. [Year owned].
Example	John Fagyal, original certificate of naturalization, St. Louis, Missouri, citing naturalization file no. 723413 (1917); Missouri, Eastern Judicial District of Missouri; Fagyal Family Collection, copy privately held by Emilie V. Fagyal, [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,] St. Louis, Missouri. [The original copy of the Certificate of Naturalization for John Fagyal was found in the safe deposit box of Eugene Fagyal and is now in the possession of Eugene William Fagyal, Jr., his son. Eugene provided a copy of the certificate to Emilie V. Fagyal in 1981.]	John Fagyal, original certificate of naturalization, Fagyal Family Collection.	Fagyal Family Collection, privately held by Emilie V. Fagyal, [ADDRESS FOR PRIVATE USE,] St. Louis, Missouri. 1981.

Hospital Records

Hospital records are business records. These are created at the time and any information about that hospitalization should be considered primary. However, any information about the patient’s medical history should be evaluated to determine if it was provided by the patient or someone else in the family, a friend, or even an ambulance driver.

Elements of the citation could include: name of the name of the patient, information about the patient, hospital, city, state, repository, repository address, film number, and date accessed.

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Microfilm	[Name of Hospital] (City), [State].) “[Title of record].” p. [number], for [Name of patient], entry, [date of entry], record no. [number]; [Name of agency who microfilmed the record or made microfiche], microfilm/fiche [number], [Repository], [city], [state].	[Name of Hospital] (City), [State].) “[Title of record].” p. [number], for [Name of patient], entry, [date of entry], record no. [number].	[Name of Hospital] (City), [State].) “[Title of record or series if more than one volume or microfilm used].” [Name of agency who microfilmed the record or made microfiche], microfilm/fiche [number]. [Repository], [city], [state].
Example	City Hospital #1 (St. Louis, Missouri), “Hospital registers Aug 1846–Jun 1860,” John McCue entry, 1 October 1852; City of St. Louis Microfilm Department, microfilm Y-2078, available as SLHL microfilm SLH-6, St. Louis County Library, St. Louis, Missouri.	City Hospital #1 (St. Louis, Mo.), “Hospital registers Aug 1846–Jun 1860,” John McCue entry, 1 October 1852.	City Hospital #1 (St. Louis, Missouri). “Hospital registers, 1846–1900, 1927.” City of St. Louis Microfilm Department microfilm available as SLCL microfilm. 16 rolls. St. Louis County Library, St. Louis, Missouri.

Land Records

Land records were created to determine who owned the land. Deeds, conveyances, mortgages, and liens were recorded at the local county courthouse. In some instances, land records may have been the only records saved during a courthouse fire or during the Civil War due to their importance. The Recorder’s Office clerk transcribed the deed from the original into the deed book, giving an opportunity for transcription error. Some deed books have been recopied more than one time and each recopy provides an opportunity for transcription error again. Try to read the most original form of the records available.

Elements of the citation could include: the name of the city where the courthouse is located, the name of the county, the state, the name of office where land was recorded at the courthouse, the book number, the page number, the names of the grantor and the grantee, the date of the transaction, the date the transaction was filed, the Web page title, the URL, the author or compiler, the book title, publisher, publication location, date published, the creator of the microfilm with location, and the microfilm number.

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BLM-online	<p>Bureau of Land Management, “Land Patent Search,” digital images, <i>General Land Office Records</i> (http://glorerecords.blm.gov/PatentSearch : accessed [Date]), [Name of patentee] ([County], [State]), homestead patent no. [number].</p> <p>OR</p> <p>[Name of patentee] ([County], [State]), homestead patent no. [number]; “Land Patent Search,” digital images, <i>General Land Office Records</i> (http://glorerecords.blm.gov/PatentSearch : accessed [Date])</p>	<p>Bureau of Land Management, “Land Patent Search,” digital images, <i>General Land Office Record</i> entry for [name of patentee] ([County], [State abbreviation], no. [patent number].</p> <p>OR</p> <p>[Name of patentee] ([County], [State abbreviation]), homestead patent no. [number].</p>	<p>Bureau of Land Management. “Land Patent Search.” Database and images. <i>General Land Office Records</i>. http://glorerecords.blm.gov/PatentSearch : [Year searched].</p>

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Example	<p>Bureau of Land Management, “Land Patent Search,” digital images, <i>General Land Office Records</i> (http://www.glorecor.ds.blm.gov/PatentSearch : accessed 27 September 2011), Adam Sontag (St. Louis County, Missouri), homestead patent no. 16471.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Adam Sontag (St. Louis County, Missouri) homestead patent no. 16471; “Land Patent Search,” digital images, <i>General Land Office Records</i> (http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov/PatentSearch : accessed 27 September 2011).</p>	<p>Bureau of Land Management, “Land Patent Search,” digital images, <i>General Land Office Records</i> entry for Adam Sontag (St. Louis Co., Mo.), no. 16471.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Adam Sontag (St. Louis Co., Mo.) homestead patent no. 16471.</p>	<p>Bureau of Land Management. “Land Patent Search.” Database and images. <i>General Land Office Records</i>. http://glorerecords.blm.gov/PatentSearch : 2011.</p>
Court Record	[County name] County, [State], [Title of record book] [book or volume number or letter]:[page(s)], [Grantor name(s) & [Grantee name(s)], [date filed]; [Record repository name], [Record repository location]. [Comments about the record].	[County name] Co., [State abbreviated], [Title of record book] [book or volume number or letter]: [page(s)].	[State]. [County]. [Type of records], [year to year]. [Record repository name], [Record repository location].
Example	St. Louis County, Missouri, Deed Book G: 365; Jean Baptiste Creely and Elizabeth his wife of St. Ferdinand township & Francis Creelis, 10 September 1818; Office of the Recorder of Deeds, City of St. Louis. [Page number in left margins].	St. Louis Co., Mo., Deed Book G: 365.	Missouri. St. Louis County. Deed Books, 1804—present. Office of the Recorder of Deeds, City of St. Louis.

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Microfilm	[County name] County, [State], [Title of record book] [book or volume number or letter]:[page(s)]; [Creator of microfilm abbreviated] microfilm [number]. [Comments about the record].	[County name] Co., [State abbreviated], [Title of record book] [book or volume number or letter]: [page(s)].	[State]. [County name] County. [Series]. [Record repository name], [Record repository city]. [Creator of microfilm abbreviated] microfilm, [number] rolls. [Creator of microfilm], [Creator of microfilm location].
Example	St. Louis County, Missouri, Deed Book G:365; FHL 529,941. [Jean Baptiste Creely and Elizabeth his wife of St. Ferdinand township sell to Francis Crelis...along land of John G. James].	St. Louis Co., Mo., Deed Book G: 365.	Missouri. St. Louis County. Deed records of the city and county of St. Louis, Mo., 1804-1901. Office of the Recorder of Deeds, City of St. Louis. FHL microfilm, 901 rolls. Family History Center, Salt Lake City.

Military Records

Military records were created for enlistment, service, discharge, and pension. Military records are available on the federal, state, and local county level. Many military records have been microfilmed or are available on the Internet.

Elements of the citation could include: the name of the person serving in the military, rank, military unit, name of the war, National Archives catalog title, record group number, repository, repository location, agency that created the record, and type of document.

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NARA compiled service record	Compiled service record, [Name of soldier], [rank], [company], [military unit]; [National Archives catalog title], record group [number]; National Archives, Washington, D.C.	Compiled military service record, [Name of soldier [rank], [company], [military unit]; Civil War, RG [number]; NA–Washington.	Military, Compiled Service Records. [Name of war]. [National Archives catalog title-shortened version]. Record Group [number]. National Archives, Washington, D.C.
Example	Compiled service record, Casper Gorg, Pvt., Batt’y. M, 2 Missouri L. Art.; Carded Records Showing Military Service of Soldiers Who Fought in Volunteer Organizations During the American Civil War, compiled 1890–1912, documenting the period 1861–1866, Record Group 94; National Archives, Washington, D.C.	Compiled military service record, Casper Gorg, Pvt., Batt’y. M, 2 Mo. L. Art., Civil War, RG 94; NA–Washington.	Military, Compiled Service Records. Civil War. Carded Records, Volunteer Organizations. Records of the Adjutant General’s Office, 1890–1912, Record Group 94. National Archives, Washington, D.C.
Mexican War Widow’s Pension	[Specific document], [date], [Widow’s name], widow’s pension application no. [number], certificate no. [number]; service of [Name of soldier], ([rank], [company], [military unit], [War]); [National Archives catalog title], Department of Veterans Affairs, Record Group [number]; National Archives, Washington, D.C.	[Specific document], [Widow’s name], widow’s pension no. [number], [War], RG [number]; NA–Washington.	[National Archives catalog title]. Department of Veterans Affairs, Record Group [number]; National Archives, Washington, D.C.

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Missouri Confederate Veterans Home	[Item]; [file or volume], [roll]; [Series]; [Subgroup]; [Record Group Title], Record Group [number]; [Repository], [Location].	[Item], [file or volume], roll [number]; RG [number]; MSA, Jefferson City.	[Series title]. Office of the Adjutant General. Record Group [number]; Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City.
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Naturalization Records

Our ancestors did not just want to immigrate to the United States. They wanted the right to vote and hold office. They wanted to become naturalized and be citizens of the United States. In most instances, that required declaring their intention to become a citizen, filing a petition to become naturalized, and obtaining a court order finalizing the naturalization. At one point in history, an immigrant could go to the courthouse immediately after they stepped off the ship and file their intention to become a citizen. However, many waited until they reached their destination to file. Then they waited a certain number of years, based on the current laws, to file their petition to become naturalized. Until 1906, naturalizations were under the jurisdiction of any local court in the county of residence. For the most part, after 1906, naturalizations came under the jurisdiction of the federal government. Naturalization files obtained from NARA may contain the certificate of arrival that provides the date and name of ship for immigration.

Elements of the citation could include: name of the person being naturalized, year, file number, name of the court, location of the court, volume, page, city, state, record group title, record group number, record repository, repository location, film creator, and film number.

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Newspaper Records

Newspapers provide a picture of the day to day lives of our ancestors and the areas where they lived. Look for obituaries, lists of burial permits, births, and marriages. Articles may be found about ancestors who participated in government, social or sporting events, or received awards. Court cases and crimes were reported in the newspapers. Foreign language newspapers existed in St. Louis for several languages and many of the municipalities had their own newspapers.

Elements of the citation could include: the author of the article, the title of the newspaper, the title of the article, the date of publication, the page and column, the title of the Web page, and URL.

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Example	"Todes-Anzeigen: Elizabeth Henriette Frank," obituary, <i>Westliche Post (St. Louis, Missouri)</i> , 15 November, 1888, p. 4, col. 5.	"Todes-Anzeigen: Elizabeth Henriette Frank," <i>Westliche Post</i> , 15 November 1888.	Missouri. City of St. Louis. <i>Westliche Post</i> , 15 November 1888.
Microfilm	“[Title of article,]” OR [“Obituary: Name of person,]” [<i>Name of Newspaper</i>], [City (if not included in title of newspaper), State] [date of newspaper], page [page number]: [column number]; microfilm image.	“[Title of article,]” OR [“Obituary: Name of person,]” [<i>Name of Newspaper</i>], [date of newspaper].	[State]. [City]. [<i>Title of Newspaper</i>]. [Span of years searched or exact date of newspaper]. Microfilm image.
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Probate Records

Probate records can include wills, administrations, probate packets, and guardianships. The will could have been created several years before it was actually presented to the court. Probate packets can include every receipt for expenditures at the time of death and until the probate process is completed. Inventories of all property owned by the deceased give a picture of the household.

Elements of the citation could include: name of the deceased, the type of record, the case name, the file number, the date filed and the date of the specific document being cited, the location of the probate case, the volume and page(s), microfilm number, Web page, URL, repository and repository address.

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Religious Records

The religious house of worship was a place to record baptism, marriage, and burial records. Some baptism records include the date of birth and some burial records include the date of death. Each religion kept a different set of information for their religious practice. Some religions kept records in languages other than English.

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Vital Records

The city, county, or state may keep records of the births, marriages, divorces, and deaths of the people and these are considered the vital records of the community. The information on a local version of a vital record may not be the same on the state version. Indexes may or may not exist for vital records. The researcher is encouraged to search the records when an index does not reveal an ancestor; a recorder's spelling of a name or an indexer's interpretation of a name may hide an ancestor who is actually in the record.

Elements of the citation could include: the name(s) of the person(s), date filed, title of the record, type of record, date of record, the number of the record or certificate, the agency creating the record, the city and State of the agency creating the record, Web page title, URL, series title, page number, and volume number. If a record is written in a foreign language, make note of that also.

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Birth Register St. Louis City Microfilm	City of St. Louis, Missouri, "Registry of Births, [(any other information in the title of the record or that explain the arrangement of the record)]," [date], entry for [Name of person]; Missouri State Archives film number [number].	City of St. Louis, Missouri, "Registry of Births, [(any other information in the title of the record or that explain the arrangement of the record)]," [date], entry for [Name of person].	Missouri. St. Louis, city of. "[Specific volume]." Recorder of Deeds, City of St. Louis. MSA microfilm 10379. Missouri State Archives, Jefferson City, Missouri.
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Marriage from Microfilm	[County], [State], [Series], [Record repository], [Record repository location], v. [volume number or letter]: [volume page number], marriage of [Groom name and Bride name], [year]; [Film location ID] microfilm [number], [Repository], [Repository location].	[County], [State abbreviation], [Series]. [volume number]: [page number].	[State]. [County]. [Series]. [Record Repository], [Record Repository location]. [Film location ID] microfilm [number]. [Repository], [Repository location].
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