LINEAGE RESEARCH COMMITTEE -

CHANGES in the Wright Administration dealing with prospective members and applications.

Get DAR back to the chapters.

- 1. Lineage Research Lookup Board online eliminated by National. Not being used properly.
- 2. PMD list is to be streamlined. Registrars are asked to review their PMD lists and update them with more detailed information about where the prospective member (pm) is in the process of their application. If it has been awhile, there is no response after several attempts to contact them, or they keep "Stalling," Let the pm know they will be placed on the "Inactive" list and can be restored to the Active list when the pm is ready. If the PMD list remain without action and updating for some time, National will go through and remove them and place them on the "Inactive" list.
- 3. Asking for Lineage Research help from the chapters has changed.
 - a. Chapters and Daughters should **FIRST** consult with their State Registrar, State Lineage Research Chair, or other state-based resource persons as designated by their State Regent.
 - b. The State Registrar, State Lineage Research Chair, or other person designated by the State Regent will request assistance from the LRC if the state-based resolution is not obtained.
 - c. If the request for assistance is for a Prospective Member (PM), the PM's information must FIRST be entered into the Prospective Member Database (PMD). Before seeking further assistance. Then the State Registrars, State Lineage Research Chairs (or other person designated by the State Regent) will request further assistance by completing a form and emailing the completed request to the National Chair Susan Johnston via email. This will be for "Hard" applications that have not been submitted to National OR applications that have an AIR letter sent to the pm and Registrar.
 - d. The Lineage Research Committee is also proud to announce the formation of Regional Support Teams. These teams will perform some of the research previously requested through the Lineage Research Lookup Board which has now been discontinued. The Lineage Research Committee will recruit team members from specific areas that will carry out "boots on the ground" research in their local repositories. Team members will possess expertise in research centered in specific geographic areas.
 - e. The Lineage Research person will send the solution back to the chapter for the Registrar to finish the process.
 - f. The Lineage Research Person will send the app back to the chapter, even if she was NOT able to find a solution.
 - g. If the app is sent on to the Application Task Force, if results are found or not, the app will be sent back to the chapter with a solution or not.
 - h. The Chapter Registrar will either send the app in, or NOT at all.
 - i. While the LRC is committed to assisting with the verification of applications for prospective members and members, it is not the job of the committee to provide unlimited free genealogical services. If the LRC determines that a lineage solution is not forthcoming after a reasonably exhaustive search, not to include more than 20 cumulative hours of research by LRC members, the paper will be returned to the state/member.
 - j. State LR Chairman, State Registrar, National Lineage Research person, or the Application Task Force person will NOT be completing the app and sending it in signing their name. That is the responsibility of the Chapter Registrar.
- 4. For assistance with a Supplemental AIR letter, please contact the Volunteer Genealogists Committee.

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