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## NGS Releases Two Newly Revised Guide Books for Tennessee and North Carolina

ARLINGTON, VA, 10 MAY 2017— The National Genealogical Society (NGS) announces the publication of two newly revised books in its Research in the States series. These guides are two of 26 books that provide information about genealogical repositories and resources in specific states to aid individuals who are researching their family histories. The latest editions are *Research in Tennessee, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition* and *Research in North Carolina, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition*.

### *Research in Tennessee, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*

In the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries, Tennessee was the gateway west through the Appalachians for tens of thousands, migrants. In *Research in Tennessee*, descendants of those who stayed and those who pushed further westward will discover a comprehensive guide to a myriad of records that will help them trace their ancestors. Written by Charles A. Sherrill, the book notes that a preponderance of records can be found at the Tennessee State Library and Archives in Nashville but it also provides up-to-date information about online sources and records found in libraries nationwide. In his discussion of the records, the author weaves in the historical context as an added aid to family historians. The records covered include atlases, gazetteers, and maps; court, land and church records; state, county and tax records; and military and pension records from the Revolutionary War through World War II. Readers will also find discussions of records on women and ethnic groups, including American Indian, African American, and Melungeon (a multi-racial group from Appalachia whose origins can be traced to the colonial era), and much more. This guide book is available

in print and or PDF version. It will go on sale in the NGS [online store](#) on 10 May 2017 and will begin shipping on 22 May.

*Research in Tennessee* was originally written by Gale Williams Bamman, a certified genealogist emeritus and past trustee and president of the Board for Certification of Genealogists. The second edition in 2009 and this newest edition were updated and revised by Charles A. Sherrill, State Librarian and Archivist of Tennessee. A genealogist and author of twenty books on Tennessee history and genealogy, Sherrill directs operations at the Tennessee State Library and Archives. He is the editor of the *Middle Tennessee Journal of History and Genealogy*.

### ***Research in North Carolina, 2nd Edition***

*Research in North Carolina, 2nd Edition*, by Jeffrey Haines, CG<sup>SM</sup>, introduces family historians to the Tar Heel state's records, manuscripts, and artifacts preserved in the numerous archives, special collections, museums, libraries, historical sites, and societies. North Carolina has been home to numerous ethnic groups such as the Scots Irish and Germans, covered in this guide book. Ethnic records focus on the two largest groups in North Carolina, African American and Native American. Record repositories, resources, and publications for Baptists, Moravians, and Quakers as well as religious groups that appeared later in the state's history are described. Researchers will find helpful discussions on the history of the North Carolina court system and its laws, poll tax, and military, land, and vital statistics records. Other topics covered include military records, both state and federal, from the colonial period through the World Wars; land records, vital statistics, and the major manuscript repositories and their collections, including Duke and East Carolina universities and the University of North Carolina. This guide book is available in print and or PDF version. It will go on sale in the NGS [online store](#) on 10 May 2017 and will begin shipping on 22 May.

Jeffrey L. Haines, CG, is a professional genealogist, specializing in the families of the Carolinas and British West Indies. He is a former editor of the *North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal*, and has written articles for the *NGSQ*, the *BCG OnBoard*, and the *APGQ*, and other publications. He has lectured at national conferences and workshops. A former APG president, he currently serves as president of its North Carolina chapter.

Founded in 1903, the [National Genealogical Society](#) is dedicated to genealogical education, exemplary standards of research, and the preservation of genealogical records. The Arlington, Virginia, based nonprofit is the premier national society for everyone, from the beginner to the most advanced family historian, seeking excellence in publications, educational offerings, and guidance in research. It also offers many

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