

DuVal Family Association, Inc.

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Thank you for your interest in the **DuVal Family Association, Inc.** We ask that you read the material on these pages carefully and follow the instructions included.

As you can see from our objectives, one of our goals is to assemble heretofore unpublished family biographical and genealogical material as well as to correct errors in the publications currently available.

Therefore it is our belief that proofs mentioned below are necessary to preserve the integrity of both the Association and its publications.

The objectives of the **DuVal Family Association, Inc.** are:

(a) to collect, authenticate, analyze and preserve information pertaining to the family of The Huguenot Daniel DuVal and his wife Philadelphia DuBois;

(b) to assemble in a central location all types of public and private published and unpublished family biographical and genealogical material;

(c) to publish by newsletter, periodicals, publications, books and other media such data which shall have been collected by the Association, and to distribute such material to libraries, historical societies, members and interested organizations;

(d) to stimulate interest and provide oral and printed advice and guidance relative to engaging in active and productive historical and genealogical research, and;

(e) to restore or contribute to the restoration of homes, buildings, or structures associated with any families or groups in which the Association may have an interest.

Eligibility Requirements:

Active - membership in the **DuVal Family Association, Inc.** is limited to the direct descendants of the Huguenot Daniel DuVal. Lineage must be through bloodline and not through adoption.

Junior - Children under the age of 18 may join as Junior members without the right to vote or hold office.

Associate - Spouses and legally adopted adult children of descendants may join as Associate members without the right to vote or hold office.

Required Documentation - Proofs of Descent

Proofs of Descent: To ensure that the application is the result of credible genealogical research, the following **PRIMARY SOURCES** are deemed acceptable: Vital records (birth, marriage, and death); probate records; all census records (local, state and federal); Bible and baptismal records. The following sources may be cited as circumstantial evidence but must be supported by an explanation: land; tax; military service; church; cemetery, and tombstone records; obituaries; and court records.

The inclusion of the following supplemental resources is encouraged but **MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED** as proof of lineage: newspaper clippings; published family histories; published county histories; published biographical records; and city and county directories. Private papers and personal

records such as letters, diaries, journals, and reminiscences may be evaluated on an individual basis.

Copies of pages from the following books may be used as proofs as long as the applicant can prove direct descent from the person(s) mentioned on those pages.

"The DuVals of Virginia" by Bessie Berry Grabowski
"The DuVals of Kentucky from Virginia" by Margaret Gwin Buchanan
"A Family History 1559-1979 Jennings, Cornelius, Duval, Harris and Martin" by Mildred King Whitten
"Civilizers: The DuVals of Texas" by Roy L. Swift

Also, approved application papers from the following lineage organizations may be submitted as long as the applicant for membership in the **DuVal Family Association, Inc.** is the person named in the application or if the applicant can prove direct descent from the person named in the application.

National Society Daughters of the American Revolution
National Society Sons of the American Revolution
National Society United States Daughters of 1812
Colonial Dames, 17th Century
The Order of Ancient Planters
The National Huguenot Society
Other lineage organizations to be determined.

The full name of the applicant shall be used (no initials). All dates are to be written as Day, Month and Year i.e. 16 Oct 1997

PLEASE SUBMIT ONE COPY OF YOUR WORKSHEET AND ONE SET OF PROOFS - DO NOT SEND ORIGINALS OF YOUR PROOFS. Proofs will not be returned but will be kept on file by the Association.

Your worksheet can be filled out in pencil but the **Membership Application** should be typewritten or neatly printed in blue or black ink. When your **Membership Application** has been approved, you will be notified and asked to send the \$10 one-time entrance fee along with \$10 for your first year's dues for a total of \$20.00. Please make the check out to **DuVal Family Association, Inc.** Thereafter your dues will be \$10 per year.