Initial Consultation Report Tara A. Fantauzzi, Professional Genealogist

Subjects of Focus: Direct Ancestors of Nelson Roy Smith

The purpose of this report is to summarize the data and goals for your project. Please review the information in this report carefully and report if any additional information is known at project start or if any of the information should be changed or corrected.

Client has a desire to verify and prove the identities of his direct ancestors beginning with the identity of his father Nelson Roy Smith. Client submitted extensive secondary notes he compiled while doing research but does not have copies of original documentation to verify and prove all the identities he described at project start. He discussed with genealogist that he would like to obtain evidence to verify and prove the identities of his ancestors.

Genealogist analyzed the notes submitted by client and created a **poster-size pedigree chart** for client to visualize the current information at project start. Client will notice that genealogist stopped reporting data on the Smith lineage with the identity of Tobias Thomas Smith. Genealogist did this because it is important to verify and prove the Smith lineage up to his identity before further data is entered on the Smith lineage.

Summary of Research Recommendations:

Genealogist recommends applying up to two hours of research time completing a digital collections survey on the identity and direct ancestors of Nelson Roy Smith to verify and prove what is thought to be known at project start with an emphasis to establish and prove the identities of previously unknown direct ancestors.

Digital Collections Survey is a term we use to describe a research survey that exhausts all available collections of documents that are published online including but not limited to Ancestry.com and other premium information service databases. Copies of original documentation may include census, vital, military, probate, land and church records; secondary documentation may include copies of record transcriptions, record index entries and published genealogies.

Itemized List of Research Recommendations:

Digital Collections Survey, Up to 2 hours research time

 Research survey on the identity and direct ancestors of Nelson Roy Smith to verify and prove what is thought to be known at project start with an emphasis to establish and prove the identities of previously unknown direct ancestors that will search all available collections of documents that are published online including but not limited to Ancestry.com premium databases. Copies of original documentation may include census, vital, military, probate, land and church records; secondary documentation may include copies of record transcriptions, record index entries and published genealogies.