



Kinds of Evidence Which May Be Submitted in Support of the Registration of a Delayed Birth Certificate

- Baptismal, Cradle Roll, or Other Church Record.** This may be the original record, a copy thereof containing the church seal, or notarized typewritten or photostatic copy of a church record bearing seal of Notary Public and statement by the notary.
- Family Bible Record.** Notarized copy of Bible record bearing seal and statement by Notary Public showing name, date of birth, and general appearance of the record as regards its age, presence of erasures or alterations. Publishing date of Bible should also be shown. (Bible records will be considered as Class B evidence unless proved beyond doubt to have been made before the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday of the registrant.)
- Physician or Hospital Record.** An exact copy (preferably photostat) of the office record of the physician who attended the birth, or a copy of the hospital record of the birth. Copy must be sworn to before a Notary by the attending physician or by custodian of the hospital records.
- Birth Certificate of the Registrant's Child.** Certified copy of birth certificate which contains the official seal of the custodian of such records, provided it includes the fact or facts for which it is submitted as evidence.
- Record from a Federal Census.** This record may be obtained from Census Bureau at Washington, D. C.
- School Record.** Notarized copy of school record or record of city, county or state department of education.
- Insurance Policy.** Original insurance policy or notarized copy of the application for insurance policy.

**Class A Records** are records established before applicant's fourth birthday.

**Class B Records** are records established five or more years prior to application.

With one Class A document proving age, birthplace, and parentage, only one Class B document proving age and birthplace is required.

If no Class A document is available, then three Class B documents proving age and birthplace, and two proving parentage, is necessary.

**Suggested Sources of Records to Prove Birth Date, Place, and Parentage**

Records Usually Showing Birthplace

Voter's registration record  
 School record  
 School census record  
 Insurance record  
 Employment record  
 Military record  
 Hospital record  
 Bible record  
 Birth announcement  
 Baptismal record  
 Cradle roll record  
 \*Newspaper clipping  
 Census record (Federal)  
 †Marriage return record  
 Postal savings records  
 Bank account application  
 Own child's death record  
 Own child's birth certificate

Records Usually Showing Birth Date

School record  
 Insurance record  
 Bible record  
 Cradle roll record  
 Baptismal record  
 Employment record  
 Birth announcement  
 †Marriage return record  
 If married, child's birth record  
 Hospital record (own child)  
 \*Newspaper clipping  
 Hunter's license  
 Driver's license  
 Census record (Federal)  
 Census record (school)  
 Postal savings record  
 Military record

Records Usually Showing Parentage

Bible record  
 Cradle roll record  
 School record  
 Census record (school)  
 Census record (Federal)  
 \*Newspaper clipping  
 Parent's death notice  
 Voter's registration record  
 Postal savings record  
 Bank account application

\*[Oregon Historical Society](#) has some early Oregon Newspaper files.

†Information given county clerk when marriage license is obtained.

**Be sure documents sent in show information required. Please read the instructions on the back of certificate. No two records of the same kind can be used.**