



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 4th 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.