

HeirSearch.com[®]
A division of International Genealogical Search Inc.
We Find Missing Heirs A Better Way[®]

About Us

Since 1967, HeirSearch.com has specialized in providing forensic genealogy A Better Way to the legal and trust professions. We welcome the opportunity to work with executors, administrators, trustees, fiduciaries, bank and trust officers, and their counsel.

Forensic genealogy is an analytical research method used to establish kinship for legal purposes. HeirSearch.com research experts ensure thorough and unbiased research is conducted with court-ready reporting and, when required, expert testimony, all held to the highest professional and ethical standards.

Our Mission Statement

To consistently enable our legal and banking clientele to meet their heir search fiduciary responsibilities in estate and trust matters. We provide forensic genealogy services A Better Way through our five-pillar approach that ensures reasonable, non-percentage based fees, authorized search services, a 97% success rate, documented court-ready reports and worldwide service. We Find Missing Heirs A Better Way®.

What We Do

Our extensive experience and worldwide resources enable us to successfully resolve one-off searches for a single named individual, as well as larger volume matters requiring comprehensive,



in-depth forensic genealogical research both domestically and internationally. Over the years, the company has successfully completed thousands of searches, both domestic and international in scope, and identified and located hundreds of thousands of individuals. Upon concluding a search, detailed written reports, including accompanying family tree charts, supporting documentation and sworn affidavits, aid our clients to settle estate and trust matters as quickly and as cost effectively as possible.

HeirSearch.com is periodically called upon to provide expert witness testimony in numerous jurisdictions on matters related to our expertise on searches we've worked on.

Proud To Be

- Value Partner of the National Association of Estate Planners & Councils;
- Gold Level Service Member of The American Bankers Association;
- Member of The Federation of Genealogical Societies;
- A+ Member of The Better Business Bureau.



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A Better Way

Many heir locator firms, otherwise known as “heir hunters,” use questionable, high-pressure tactics to obtain excessive percentage fees of inheritances. In order to protect their percentage fees, heir hunters may withhold the name of the deceased, and even the amount of the inheritance until the heir agrees to sign a contract. This means heirs are being asked to sign away a percentage of an unknown amount and heir hunter fees can sometimes be as much as 50% of the person’s inheritance. There is A Better Way.

Reasonable Non-Percentage Based Fees

Our fees are quoted in advance and determined by a set fee schedule based on the type of search and your requirements – never as a percentage of the trust or estate. Our services can be retained on a flat fee basis or on an hourly basis.

Authorized Search Services

Unauthorized searches are common in the industry due to the significant windfall rewards that are possible. HeirSearch.com services are retained by attorneys and trust officers for reasonable fees, as quoted in advance and we never initiate an independent search. We believe courts look more favorably on agreements with heir search firms when the cost of the search is known in advance.



97% Success Rate Since 1967

Our research experts are highly qualified through a combination of specialized education, training and experience in finding missing heirs and beneficiaries. Since 1967, this knowledge and expertise has resulted in an average success rate of 97%.

Documented Court-Ready Reports

Our final report provides clear and convincing evidence of the identities and location of all concerned parties. All available supporting documentation, such as records of birth, death, marriage, divorce, or census details are included as well. The report is compiled and presented in a concise, easy-to-read format that is suitable for an exhibit in court proceedings.

Worldwide Service

Over the years, HeirSearch.com has successfully located countless missing heirs and lost beneficiaries in more than 65 countries. Regardless of location or scarcity of information, our in-house knowledge and access to international research expertise allows us to succeed where other search firms often fail.

Call Now 1-800-663-2255

Search Services

We offer a selection of search services that address the myriad of reasons why you may need to conduct an heir search.

Estate and Trust Matters

We use our professional expertise to identify, locate, prove and report known and unknown heirs or beneficiaries, both domestically and internationally.

For Notice Searches

We aid our clients in fulfilling their fiduciary responsibilities in providing notice to heirs by supplying current contact information (or the results of our due diligence search efforts) in order to provide notice of estate or trust matters, while working within the necessary timelines, budgetary constraints and required scope of work.

Property Matters

We identify, locate, prove and report heirs or beneficiaries on matters related to Clear and Quiet Title Actions and Property Ownership.

Search Service Expertise

- Locating Missing Heirs
- Affidavit or Declaration of Heirship
- Locating Missing Heirs for Intestacy
- Locating Missing Estranged Members of Surviving Family
- Locating Witness to Wills
- Locating Persons Born out of Wedlock
- Discretionary & Ethical Research and Investigative Procedures
- Tight Timeline & Budget Management



for Court-Appointed Administrators

- Forensic Genealogy
- Proving Heirship to the Court
- Court-Ready Reporting Including Family Tree Preparation
- Verification and / or Completion of Other Third Party Genealogical Research
- Expert Witness Testimony
- Court Accepted Affidavits & Due Diligence Reporting
- Multi-lingual Research Staff
- Vital Record Searches & Obtaining Records to Prove Heirship

Other Search Services

At times you may require a search in matters other than in an Estate, Trust, Notice or Property matter.

Our search services can be designed to meet the needs of our clients in the following other searches:

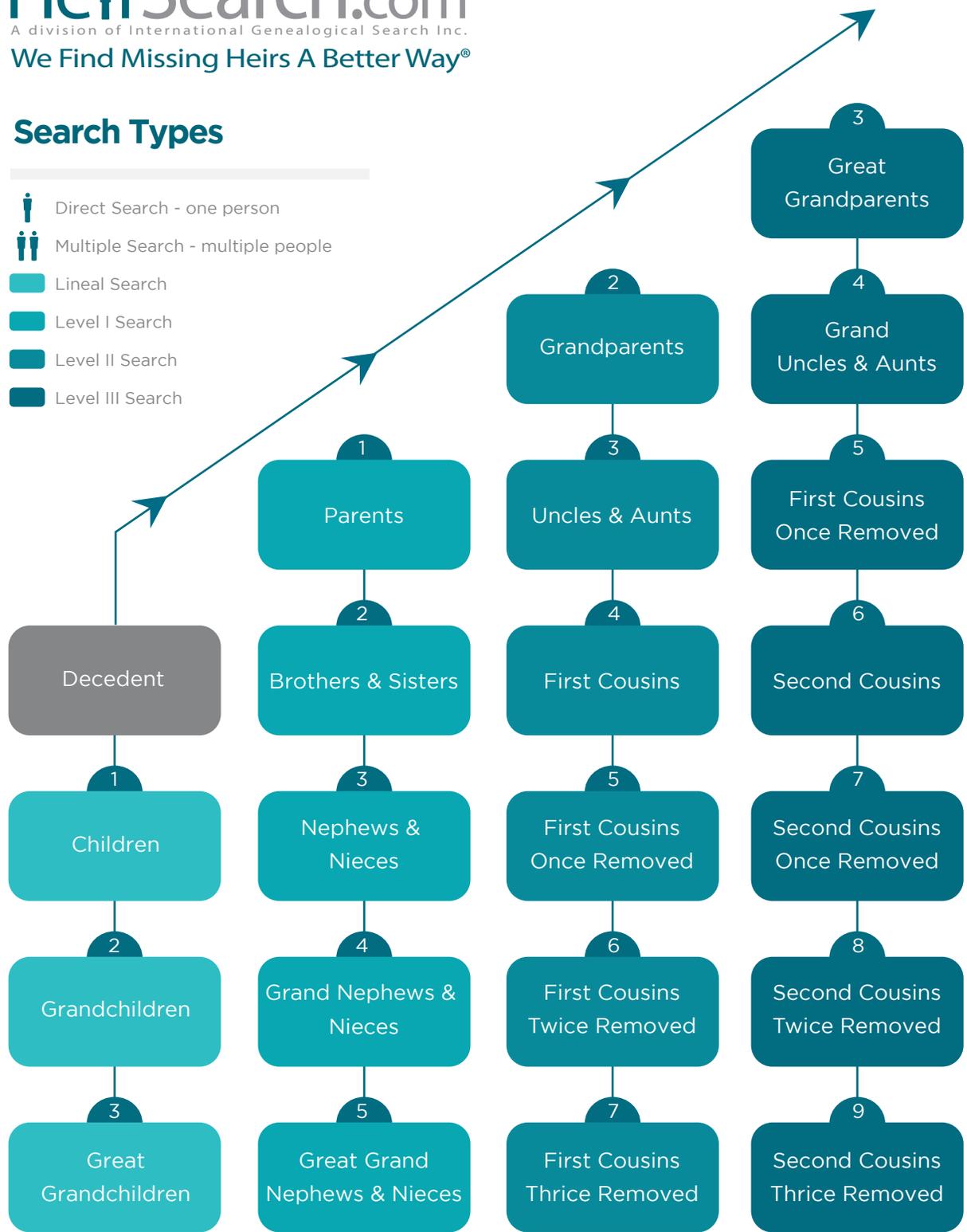
- Oil, Gas and Mineral Rights Owner Search
- Intellectual Property Owners/Copyright Owners Search
- Lost Security Holders Search & Unresponsive Payee Search

You can find other search services at <http://heirsearch.com/other-search-services>.

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Search Types

-  Direct Search - one person
-  Multiple Search - multiple people
-  Lineal Search
-  Level I Search
-  Level II Search
-  Level III Search



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Testimonials

Our client's satisfaction is our top priority. At HeirSearch.com we take pride in our people and our process. However, our satisfied clients are the reason for our success.

“ We were able to review the report and are pleased with the results. The declaration is perfectly suited for our use in resolving this case. I appreciate the researcher's hard work and yours as well.”

Attorney, Rancho Mirage, CA

“ We are FULLY happy with the results of your company's efforts!! I read through the entire report and was very impressed with the process, the timing, and the results of your service! You did a first-class, organized and very professional job. The results were shared with our trust committee and attempts to work with the beneficiary are underway now. My position would be to always partner with you when the need arises. We will keep you updated as things come up in our business.”

Bank Vice President, Santa Fe, NM

“ The work you and your team completed was very thorough and professional. I will not hesitate to recommend you to any of my colleagues.”

Attorney, New York, NY



“ I have reviewed the information that you sent me and I am very impressed. Feel free to use me as a reference for your firm and services.”

Attorney, Pittsburgh, PA

“ Through your excellent services we were able to identify and locate survivors on the mother's side of the family and establish that out of twelve possible family lines, only two are currently represented today. We also appreciate the enormity of the effort that was invested in attempting to locate family members on the father's side. Again, our thanks to you for your assistance, your efforts, and your ability to communicate back to us in an appropriate amount of time.”

Senior Trust Officer, Boise, ID

“ I was very pleased with the work your firm did, in fact I was amazed given the circumstances you were able to locate my beneficiaries. I would not hesitate to use you again or to refer colleagues.”

Attorney, Fort Lauderdale, FL

You can read many more testimonials at heirsearch.com/testimonials. Satisfied clients of HeirSearch.com include sole legal practitioners as well as some of the largest probate and estate planning law firms, financial institutions, private companies and governmental agencies in North America.

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Search Process

We never initiate a search without your authorization, unlike other search firms with percentage-based incentives that frequently initiate unauthorized searches due to the significant windfall rewards that are possible.

To Start a Search

1. An Account Manager will profile your heir search requirements and provide you with a written fee quotation without cost or obligation.
2. The search for missing heirs will start upon your approval of our quote. We will send you a confirmation of your instructions the same day.
3. Your file will be assigned to an HeirSearch.com researcher.
4. Your researcher will contact you to verify the service details, including information provided, reporting needs and deadlines.
5. We will keep you advised of our progress by your choice of communication, whether it be telephone, email, fax or standard mail.
6. You will receive a timely research summary (customarily on a monthly basis), outlining the current status, research conducted, documents obtained and research next steps.
7. We will update you immediately if significant discoveries occur.



When the Search is Complete

- We will contact you immediately.
- You will receive a written report, suitable for court presentation, that will include all supporting documentation required

to establish identities of the parties referred to in the report.

- When appropriate, your family tree will be customized to include the names, birth and death dates, corresponding exhibit numbers, and references to the individual paragraphs in our report (also made available to you in digital format).

We Have You Covered with Fully Insured Searches

For the protection of all concerned parties, we maintain corporate insurance coverage for errors, omissions (\$2,000,000) and / or general liability (\$5,000,000).

Fees

At HeirSearch.com, our fees are always reasonable and non-percentage based. Our services can be retained on a flat fee basis or on an hourly basis with a recommended number of hours estimated based on the type of search required - never on the size of the trust or estate. An Account Manager will profile your heir search requirement and provide you with a written fee quotation without cost or obligation.

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