## Submission Guide for The Colorado Genealogist

Members and friends of the Colorado Genealogical Society are encouraged to submit materials for publication in the Society's quarterly journal, *The Colorado Genealogist*. It is best to send a brief outline or description of your proposed article to the Editor to determine interest and possible duplication. This guide is provided to help you in selecting and preparing material for submission.

#### **Mission Statement:**

The mission of the Colorado Genealogist is to serve both present and future genealogists who live and research in Colorado, and those who have Colorado families, by publish- ing material of lasting value:

- -Information about genealogical resources in and near Colorado that may be of value to both in-state and out-of-state researchers;
- -Extracted Colorado records;
- -The work of genealogists who seek to share information about Colorado families or communities.

**Subjects:** Material should be on a topic of interest to the genealogical community in Colorado and to other genealogists interested in Colorado sources. Subjects might include:

- Articles about resources in and near Colorado such as news paper indexes, church record availability, special sections of libraries or other Colorado archives
- Extracted Colorado records such as indexes from labor unions, mortuary records, Bible records, newspapers
- The work of genealogists who seek to share information about Colorado families or communities
- A column that describes how and where you have stumbled across something relating to Colorado (ie. Bibles, photos, news clippings

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All material undergoes a regular editing process by the staff to ensure it is in conformance with the established style guidelines for the quarterly. Any editorial changes will be submitted to the author for approval. Neither this society nor the editorial staff is responsible for errors of fact, or for opinions expressed or implied by the contributors to this publication. However, errors will be corrected as space permits.

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- Inclusion of footnote citations is encouraged; allow your program to insert your footnotes/ endnotes.
- Do not set narrative material into columns. That will be done in layout if needed.
- Send any database output as tab-separated text file.
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- Photographs, maps, and illustrations are useful to our readers. We appreciate your contribution of them. Send all photographs, maps and illustrations as a separate attachment in JPEG format. Ask editor for resolution details.
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