Marin Immigration Law

PROVING CANADIAN ANCESTRY

Ancestry Document Tracker

Record one row for every document you find, starting with yourself and working back toward the Canadian-born ancestor (the anchor, G0). Type into the fields on screen or print and fill in by hand. Bring the completed tracker, with the documents themselves, to your consultation.

Prepared by _____ **Anchor ancestor (G0) and place of birth** _____

	1. Full name as written	2. Event date & place, plus date issued	3. Parents named on it	4. Variation from the previous document	5. Source DON'T SKIP IT
WHAT TO WRITE	Exactly as on the document, including middle names and any Joseph or Marie prefix on French-Canadian records.	Date and place of the birth, baptism, or marriage, and separately the date this copy was issued.	This is the link. A document that does not name parents usually cannot connect one generation to the next.	Anglicization, a dropped middle name, a spelling change, or a married surname where a maiden name should be.	Issuing authority, archive or collection, and the citation or URL. The column people skip and we care about most.
EXAMPLE (FICTIONAL)	*Joseph Arthur Leblanc*	*Baptized 14 March 1898, Saint-Hyacinthe, Quebec. Register image saved Nov 2026.*	*Pierre Leblanc and Marie Gagnon*	*Joseph dropped; appears as Arthur White on the 1930 US census.*	*BAnQ numérique, Saint-Hyacinthe parish register, 1898, with the saved image URL.*
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