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Specialty Research

Residents of Illinois come from a diverse range of hardy pioneers, many of whom were descendants of those who participated in the American Revolution. The goal is to honor as many of them as possible during this time of celebration of 250 years of freedom.

Quoting from the national website:

"The Specialty Research Committee works to recognize the significant, but less frequently recognized, contributions of the cause of American freedom, by men and women residing within North America and in other countries during the time of the Revolutionary War. This effort will lead to DAR membership reflective of the remarkable diversity of our country—illuminating the legacy of all our patriot ancestors."

So what does this mean to Illinois Daughters? You will have specialized help available for prospective members whose lineage leads to a Patriot in the following subspecialties.

- African American
- Dutch
- French
- Spanish
- French Canadian
- Jewish
- Native American
- Female
- Melungeon

The chairman of this committee welcomes your questions about the scope of the assistance available to you. Requests for more extensive assistance should be sent through the state registrar. Please be sure your prospective member is entered in the Prospective Member Database (PMD) when requesting assistance.

Additional Resources:

- Specialty Research Committee Webpage
- Specialty Research Community on the DOC