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Finding the Hardest Ones, Part 1: Seven Strategies

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Tackling those difficult problems doesn't need to be avoided any longer, once these tools are in your toolbox. In this presentation, popular returning speaker Jim Baker uses step-by-step procedures to illustrate seven strategies for finding the most challenging data. Case studies present a variety of research methods: collaboration with other genealogists, navigating through the search engine data, digging in the giant tomes, checking property/tax records, broadening your searches, performing on-site research, and analyzing DNA evidence. Further strategies will be explored in Part 2 of this series, "Finding the Hard Ones, Part 2: Elementary, My Dear Watson! Solving Genealogy Problems with the Clues You Already Have" in February.

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