Blaine Bettinger

Professional genealogist Blaine Bettinger Ph. D., J.D., is the premier authority in the use of DNA for genealogy research. In 2007 Bettinger premiered his popular blog The Genetic Genealogist. He is the author of The Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing and Genetic Genealogy and co-author of the world’s first genetic genealogy workbook, Genetic Genealogy in Practice. He has been an instructor for Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (IGHR), Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy (SLIG), and the Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh (GRIP). You may be one of the more than 75,000 followers of his very active Facebook group Genetic Genealogy Tips & Techniques. Sharon Withers, National Chair of the DAR DNA Network Committee and her team will be chairing a Zoom meeting for all registered GRI attendees in mid-March to share tips on how to prepare for his sessions in advance, to ensure attendees maximize the benefits of Blaine’s presentations. Blaine Bettinger Ph. D., J.D.

Craig R. Scott

Craig Roberts Scott, MA, CG, FUGA, an industry-renown expert in military records, will be a featured speaker for the symposium in his specialty area of revolutionary war records. With more than 35-years as a professional genealogist and historical researcher, Scott is the author of 17 books and several articles in publications such as National Genealogical Society Quarterly and the Magazine of Virginia Genealogy. His most recent book is Understanding Revolutionary War and Invalid Pension Ledgers 1818-1872. Scott is on the editorial board of the National Genealogical Society Quarterly and a member of the Company of Military Historian, having served as a faculty member for the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research and the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy [SLIG] for several years.