





Welles Family Association

The Descendants of Governor Thomas Welles of Connecticut And his Wife, Alice Tomes

Volume 1 (3rd Edition), Volume 2 (Parts A and B), and Volume 3 (Parts A, B, and C)

Volumes 1 and 2

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With the exciting discovery last year of the church where the 1615 marriage of Thomas and Alice was recorded, we have brought out a 3rd edition of volume 1.

We are also pleased to announce that the first volume won the prestigious 2014 Donald Lines Jacobus Award given by the American Society of Genealogists.

Gov. Thomas Welles came to New England in 1635, settling in Hartford in 1636 and moving to Wethersfield in 1646. He served the Colony of Connecticut as a representative to the General Court or legislature for his life, as treasurer, secretary, lieutenant governor, governor, and magistrate in the Particular Court.

Volume 1 covers the Welles and Tomes ancestries in England and the first four generations to live in New England. Volume 2 covers the fifth generation as heads of household. The genealogy includes all descendants in both the male and female lines. Volume 1's first edition was completed in 1990 by Connecticut Valley genealogy specialist Donna Holt Siemiatkoski. The second edition corrects and expands the information in the first edition. The third edition adds the exciting discovery of the couple's marriage in Old England.

Volume 2 extends across both Part A and Part B, with the Key to Abbreviations in Part A and the index in Part B. You will want to buy both.

Volume 3's parts A, B, and C are stand-alone volumes by different authors.

Kathyrn Smith Black's Part A covers descendants of the governor's eldest two daughters in the sixth generation.

Donna Holt Siemiatkoski's Part B covers descendants through the governor's sons in the sixth generation.

Barbara Jean Mathews's part C covers descendants of the youngest child in the sixth generation.

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