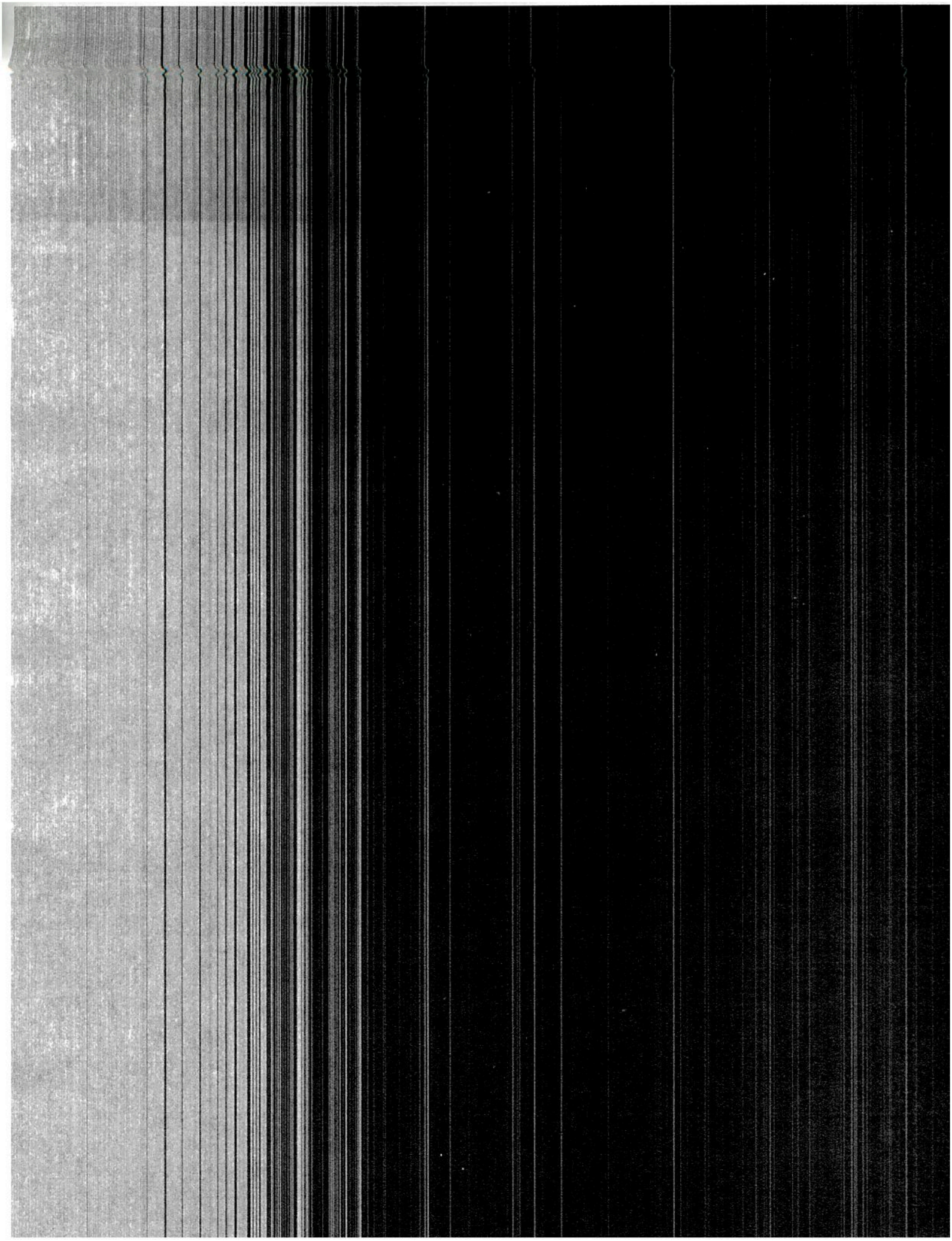


Help:Wiki Roles of Editor and Pagecreator

From FamilySearch Wiki

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History of Editing the Wiki

When the FamilySearch Research Wiki began in 2008, anyone with a FamilySearch login could edit and make changes to the wiki. Because of spamming issues in 2016, the Wiki Governance Council decided to lock down editing to only allow legitimate users with interests in furthering the development of the Research Wiki. Thus, in June 2016, new roles were created to the wiki called, "editor" and "page creator." Unfortunately, because spammers had numerous FamilySearch accounts, there was no way to differentiate a legitimate editor from a spammer until an edit was made. Therefore, it required that everyone who wished to edit the wiki to make an official request giving their username and stating which wiki page they wished to edit. This new process has solved our spamming issue. But it required longtime editors to request editing rights.

Do you Have Editing Rights?

To edit the wiki, you must be assigned the wiki role of editor and page creator. You need only request this once. Once you are an editor and page creator, you will remain so as long as you follow Wiki Guidelines and Policies. To determine if you currently have editing rights, go to the User List and type in your FamilySearch account username. Your user name should appear at the top of the list and list the wiki roles assigned to you.

Example:

- Johnpetersmith275 (talk|contribs) (editor, pagecreator) (Created on 4 June 2016 at 7:02)

In the example above, this user has editing rights because it states their role as "editor, pagecreator."