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Jeff Wexler is an attorney in Los Angeles, practicing intellectual property litigation and general business litigation. He has been an active genealogist since 2010. Jeff serves on the boards of the Bessarabia SIG and JRI-Poland.

Jeff's maternal grandfather and his family moved to the U.S. from Akkerman (at that time Cetatea Alba) in 1920 and 1921; before Akkerman, the family lived in Grigoriopol, Tiraspol, and Peschanka. Jeff is researching Vodovoz, Arbit, and Chernetz ancestors from Bessarabia.

Jeff's maternal grandmother was from Botosani, Romania. Jeff's paternal grandparents came to the U.S. from Poland; Jeff has extracted tens of thousands of Polish records for JRI-Poland and the Czestochowa-Radomsko Area Research Group.

Jeff's website, www.levitedna.org, is devoted to R1a-Y2619 Ashkenazi Levites, a Y-DNA cluster that includes about 60% of Ashkenazi men with a Levite tradition (and about 8% of Ashkenazi men), all of whom are descended from a single Levite man who lived about 1,750 years ago. Jeff is a co-author of Dr. Doron Behar's 2017 article on R1a-Y2619 Ashkenazi Levites, D. Behar et al., The genetic variation in the R1a clade among the Ashkenazi Levites' Y chromosome, SREP-17-37687 (2017).

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