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Biographical

Mr. Julian H. Preisler is a free-lance researcher, author and documentarian residing in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia, outside the Washington, DC area. He is a graduate of the University of Florida in Gainesville, Florida and Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Virginia and has a background in archives administration and historic preservation. He worked as a professional genealogist and researcher for over 20 years. He served as the archivist for the Jewish Historical Society of Delaware from 1990 to 2000.

Published books include the following:

- +*Jewish Cemeteries of the Delmarva Peninsula* (Family Line Publications 1995)
- +*Pioneer American Synagogues: A State By State Guide* (Heritage Books 1997)
- +*Jewish Genealogical Resources: Mid-Atlantic States* (Closson Press 1999)
- +*Historic Synagogues of Philadelphia & The Delaware Valley* (The History Press 2008)
- +*American Synagogues: A Photographic Journey* (eBook 2008)
- +*Jewish West Virginia* (Arcadia Publishing 2010)
- +*The Synagogues of Central & Western Pennsylvania: A Visual Journey* (Fonthill Media 2014)
- +*America's Pioneer Jewish Congregations: Architecture, Community & History* (Fonthill Media 2017)
- +*The Synagogues of Eastern Pennsylvania: A Visual Journey* (Arcadia Publishing 2018)

Other Works:

- +*Synagogues & Temples of the Greater Washington, DC Area: A Time-Line of the Formation of Synagogues, Temples, Minyanim, Havurot & other Jewish Worship Communities 1852-2004*
- +*Descendants of Jonah Goldman & His Wife Sarah Michalski: Genealogy & Brief History*; 1998
- +*Through The Years: Congregation Beth Israel of Media Pennsylvania, 1994*

Mr. Preisler's articles have appeared in the Delaware Jewish Voice, The Golden Times and Montgomery Village News. His photographs have appeared in *Moment Magazine*, *Southern Jewish History*, *The Forward* and in the book *Down Home: Jewish Life in North Carolina*.

The son of Holocaust Survivors from Germany & the Czech Republic, Julian is a native of Detroit, Michigan and has had an interest in Jewish history/genealogy and synagogue architecture for over 30 years. His current projects include a written narrative of his parent's and grandparent's experiences as Holocaust Survivors to be published as an eBook, a working database of Holocaust museums, gardens, monuments and memorials in North America and a database of US synagogue photographs and images. Future book topics include America's Southern synagogues and the work of noted American synagogue architect Percival Goodman.