

WalsoftAI-Genealogy: Environment Setup & Configuration Appendix

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Purpose

This appendix captures all environmental, infrastructure, and setup-specific decisions made during the MVP development of WalsoftAI-Genealogy. It is meant to:

- Serve as a deployment and onboarding guide
 - Ensure reproducibility across dev, test, and prod environments
 - Preserve configuration decisions that may affect scaling, debugging, or upgrades
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1. Local and Server Directory Structure

Context	Base Path
Local Dev	C:/apps/genealogy/
Remote Prod	/home/philip/apps/genealogy/

2. Python Environment

- **Virtual environment name:** genealogy_venv
- **Python version used:** Matches system Python 3.12+

Activation Example:

```
cd C:/apps/genealogy
.\genealogy_venv\Scripts\activate
```

3. Environment Variables (.env)

A .env file is used for development. It is **excluded from Git** via .gitignore.

Example .env contents:

```
SECRET_KEY=_fjy_lga_bz5a=-m24u(f&j!=3_x2tmotd5w=_n#ni9%)sh^n
DEBUG=True
```

```
DATABASE_NAME=genealogy_db
DATABASE_USER=postgres
DATABASE_PASSWORD=@0BusiaKenya
DATABASE_HOST=localhost
DATABASE_PORT=5432
```

4. PostgreSQL Setup (Windows)

- **Version Installed:** PostgreSQL 17.5
- **Installation Path:** C:\Program Files\PostgreSQL\17\bin
- **psql added to PATH** for CLI access
- **Database created:** genealogy_db
- **User:** postgres
- **Password:** @0BusiaKenya

Database Creation:

```
CREATE DATABASE genealogy_db;
```

5. Django Superuser

Created using:

```
python manage.py createsuperuser
```

Credentials:

- **Username / Email:** sales@walsoftcomputers.com
 - **Role:** Full Superuser Access
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6. Git & Ignore Rules

Custom .gitignore includes:

```
# Secrets & environments
.env
```

```
genealogy_venv/

# Compiled files
__pycache__/
*.py[cod]

# IDEs
.vscode/
.idea/

# Static & media (optional)
static/
media/

# Migrations (if regenerating often)
*/migrations/
```

7. Django Settings Design

- Settings split by environment: `base.py`, `dev.py`, `prod.py`
- Environment switcher logic via `DJANGO_ENV` in `settings/__init__.py`

✅ Example logic:

```
env_mode = os.environ.get("DJANGO_ENV", "dev")
```

8. Recommended Practices Being Followed

Practice	Implemented?	Notes
UUID primary keys	✅	On all core models (Person, Marriage, Event)
JSONFields for aliases/metadata	✅	aliases, cultural_notes in Person
Modular apps	✅	people/, events/, relationships/, etc.
AI-ready narrative design	✅	narratives/ structured for jinja2 and llama-cpp
Versioning with history	✅	django-simple-history installed and used

9. Local AI Package Notes

Package	Status	Notes
llama-cpp-python	✅ Installed	For local story generation
jinja2	✅ Installed	Prompt templating
fuzzywuzzy	✅ Installed	For deduplication

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django-simple-history	✓ Installed	For audit/versioning
python-dotenv	✓ Installed	For .env loading in dev



10. Notes for Future Deployers

- Always regenerate SECRET_KEY for production
 - Switch DEBUG=False in prod.py
 - Configure media, static, and NGINX properly
 - Do not commit .env, photos, or raw JSON config files unless explicitly versioned
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Document prepared to ensure full traceability of all system and environmental choices made during MVP phase of the WalsoftAI-Genealogy project.

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