

# Relationship Categories

Below are categories for the "Relationships" section of [ufologists pages](#). (See [template](#).) If more than one category applies, only the highest one on the list is given.

1. **Enemy** -- There is a personal animosity between these two people that goes beyond professional disagreement or political opposition. There must be open evidence of mutual dislike. "Open evidence" would be public statements of personal dislike by both parties or public actions--like a fistfight--which directly imply it. If the dislike is not mutual, then use **Dislikes** or **Disliked By**.
2. **Estranged** -- This person was once an ally of the subject, but they are no longer cooperating and do not talk to each other. They are not necessarily active opponents of each other, however. This is the category for partners who have split up but who are not open **Enemies**.
3. **Dislikes** -- The subject shows open evidence of disliking the other person, but there is no evidence that the other person feels the same. There must be direct evidence of emotional distaste, not just intellectual disagreement. This is the one-side version of **Enemy**, where we have no evidence that the animosity is shared by the other person.
4. **Disliked By** -- The other person shows open evidence of disliking the subject, but there is no evidence that the subject feels the same. There must be direct evidence of emotional distaste, not just intellectual disagreement. This is the one-side version of **Enemy**, where we have no evidence that the animosity is shared by the other person.
5. **Opponents** -- The subject and the other person are political opponents of each other on a variety of issues, although there is no open evidence of personal animosity. (The parties can say unkind things about each other in private, but they do not graduate to **Dislikes** or **Enemy** unless the statements are made publicly.)
6. **Opposes** -- The subject openly opposes the position of the other person on a wide variety of issues, without evidence of reciprocal feelings.
7. **Opposed By** -- The other person openly opposes the position of the subject on a wide variety of issues, without evidence of reciprocal feelings.
8. **Critical Of** -- The subject is openly critical of the other on one or more points, but not necessarily on a wide variety of issues. Milder than **Opposes**.
9. **Criticized By** -- The other person is openly critical of the other on one or more points, but not necessarily on a wide variety of issues. Milder than **Opposed By**.
10. **Love/Hate** -- A special category for cases in which two people seem to openly hate each other but continue to cooperate. (Describes many marriages.)
11. **Observer** -- The other person shows no sign of liking or disliking the subject but has devoted some resources to studying him.
12. **Observer Of** -- The subject shows no sign of liking or disliking the other person but has devoted some resources to studying him.
13. **Romantic** -- Open romantic involvement. They are married or are known romantic partners. Except for marriage, evidence of relationship must be public. (Otherwise, they are no more than **Allies** and what goes on behind closed doors is irrelevant.) This relationship is relevant only if both parties are prominent ufologists.

14. **Ally** -- Mutual friends and political allies who seem to like each other.
15. **Associate** -- People who work together or are associated in some significant way, with no evidence of like (**Ally**) or dislike (**Love/Hate**).
16. **Supported By** -- The other person actively supports the subject's political position, but with no evidence of a significant cooperative relationship.
17. **Supports** -- The subject actively supports the other person's political position, but with no evidence of a significant cooperative relationship.

### Special Categories

18. **Former Enemy** -- Enemies who have somehow patched things up (a rare occurrence). There could still be some minor residual animosity but no active aggression.
19. **Former Opponents** -- Political opponents who are now working for the same cause, but the relationship is not close enough to call them **Allies** or **Associates**. They may still remain distant but have nothing to argue about.
20. **Former Romantic** -- Former romantic partners who have split up, but who are still talking to each other and show no open evidence of animosity. (A rare category, since breaking up usually results in **Estranged** or **Enemy** status.)
21. **Occasional Supporter** -- The other person actively supports the subject on a few limited issues.
22. **Occasionally Supports** -- The subject actively supports the other person on a few limited issues.
23. **Financed** -- The subject has provided some kind of financial support for the other person, but nothing else is known about their relationship.
24. **Financed By** -- The other person has provided some kind of financial support for the subject, but nothing else is known about their relationship.

### Notes

1. The order of people in the relationships section should be alphabetical by the last name of the other person.
2. A one-sentence explanation can appear beside each relationship.
3. Sources must be given for every relationship. The source is given in [square brackets] and should specify where the information came from. Preferably a link to a supporting document should be given as [[source](#)].
4. The name of each person should be linked to their ufologist page, if there is one. Example:
  - Estranged: [John Smith](#). They co-authored two books, but split over claim that Smith faked educational credentials. [[source](#)]
5. Relationships are limited to those that are somehow relevant to the UFO field.

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