



**The Wheat Sheaf**  
 adapted from the Sussex County seal,  
 signifies the agricultural vitality of Delaware.



**The Ship**  
 is a symbol of New Castle County's ship  
 building industry and Delaware's extensive  
 coastal commerce.

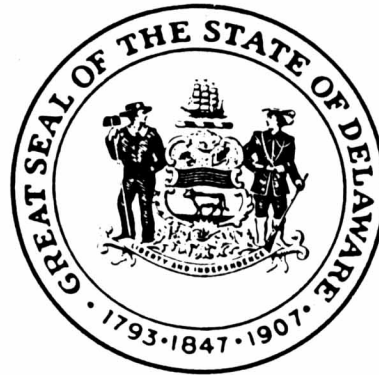


**The Corn**  
 taken from Kent County seal,  
 also symbolizes agricultural basis  
 of Delaware's economy

**The Farmer**  
 with the hoe represents the central role  
 of farming to the State.



**The Militiaman**  
 with his musket recognizes the crucial  
 role of the citizen-soldier to the maintenance  
 of American liberties



**The Motto**  
 was derived from the Order of  
 Cincinnati and approved in 1847



**The Water**  
 stands for the Delaware River, the  
 main stay of the State's commerce  
 and transportation



**The Ox**  
 represents the importance of  
 animal husbandry to the  
 State economy

1793 · 1847 · 1907.

**The Dates**  
 mark major changes to the State Seal. 1793: the farmer  
 and militiaman were omitted. 1847: the two human  
 figures were reinstated, and the motto adopted. 1907: a  
 modernized version of the 1777 seal, with the words "State  
 of Delaware" added.