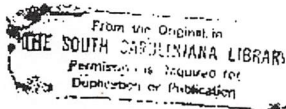


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Old Deed Book D- page 26.

Sg. 10 Dec. 1788

ROBERT ELLISON & ELIZABETH his wife, late ELIZABETH POTTS.
Both of Fairfield District.

A land deed to

VALENTINE ROCHEL of same

A land deed for 100a land situated on Mobleys Branch of Fairfield County which was originally granted to ELIZABETH POTTS 4 May 1775. Adjacent lands of ALBERT BRAM/ SAMUEL MOBLEY/ and JOHN CANNAMORE

Deed Book W-page 198, Sg. 6 Dec. 1813

ROBERT ELLISON, Sr. now dec'd... left as his heirs ----

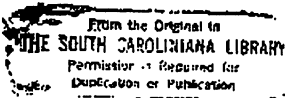
ROBERT ELLISON JR. who is also dec'd

JOHN ELLISON

JAMES ELLISON

JOSEPH ELLISON

WILLIAM ELLISON



*2/11 made
it in 1780*

SARAH ADGER & JAMES ADGER her husband.

All of the above named..JOHN, JAMES, JOSEPH & WM. ELLISON and SARAH ADGER were brothers and sister of the whole blood to the deceased ROBERT ELLISON JR.

Charles Gladney
James Gladney
Joseph Wilkie.

So there were half brothers & sisters - probably from slave mother

Note that these are named as bros. & sister of the whole blood. Such a qualification was not usually mentioned in a deed, hence the possibility that there might be other children and by a wife before ELIZABETH (POTTS) ELLISON.

I looked into the Fairfield County deeds and found no other mention of any heirs. The papers in the file with the will made no mention of other heirs.

Robert Ellison owned a great deal of land and a number of slaves. It would seem that if there were other children they would have made a claim. *Not if they were from a slave mother.*

ROBERT ELLISON

Will
Not dated when signed
Proven 19 April 1806.

Fairfield County, S.C.

ROBERT ELLISON

" Labouring at present under great
bodily infirmity..."

Names in his will:

Wife: None mentioned.

Children:

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WILLIAM ELLISON...eldest son) ..to have tract above mouth
of Wateree Creek cr. granted
to Richard Gregory equally
divided between them.
1 JOHN ELLISON...SECOND ELDEST SON)

ELIZABETH ELLISON...Grand-dau...dau of WILLIAM...to have negro
slave BIRAH,

ROBERT ELLISON...Grand son...eldest son of JOHN...negro boy
named NEWRY,

ROBERT ELLISON...Son...to have land on Jackson's Creek where
I now live.

JAMES ELLISON...Son...to have land on Lick Creek of the Wateree.

JOSEPH ELLISON...Youngest son... Land on Jackson's Cr. cr. granted
to ROBERT BOX.

JOHN ELLISON, my son, is to be gdn. of JAMES & JOSEPH.

SARAH...No surname...My loving daughter...2 negroes and my
riding chair.

MARY ELLISON...wife of WILLIAM...Daughter in law...to have
joint use of the riding chair.

JOHN & WILLIAM my sons are to be my executors.

Robert Dunlop
Robert Potts witnesses.
D. Hames

Note LK... See deeds for name of wife who may have been a
second wife as deeds seem to indicate younger children were
not full sisters to others who evidently are not named in the
above will

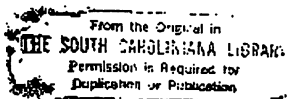
April was born
in 1790.
April was freed in
1816.

Was alive
in 1806
probably
still

157 York Street
Chester, S. C. 29706
17 February 1968.

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Dr. C. J. Dismukes
Dahlonega, Ga. 30533



Dear Dr. Dismukes:

C Thank you for your recent letter regarding ELLISON, etc.

I have never worked on ELLISONs of Fairfield and Chester. Though I have many, many graveyards in my file, I do not have the ELLISON Family Burying Ground. If it is still extant, I could probably go to Winnsboro and find the location through inquiry.

O My research is of necessity (I have a home and a family) confined to the available records in Chester and the counties immediately adjacent. Occasionally I do research in the Columbia Archives, but only in connection with my area of search. I work in the old records because I love genealogy and history and if I spread myself too thin, my work would become a burden and not the pleasure it is.

P Yes, I have the gravestone records of ABRAM (ABRAHAM , according to my file) and MARGARET PATTERSON. I copy only names and dates and such genealogical data as appears on the stone. I will send these inscriptions to you for \$ 3.00.

Y Miss HORTENSE WOODSON, Edgefield, S. C. does family research in that Court House. She has done this for many years and is familiar with the families of the area. She may be able to help you with the KEY family.

I was born in Jackson Co. Ga. and my great-great grandfather, CAPT. JACK (JOHN) RANDOLPH and his wife NANCY (HINSON) named one of their sons TANDY KEY RANDOLPH. He was never called by that name...was always called(so I am told) Uncle Dick. We have wondered if there was a KEY family connection as we have never known the maiden name of " Capt. Jack's" Mother. However, there seems to have been a TANDY KEY who lived in the neighborhood and it may have been that he was named for this man, a friend.

Will be happy to hear from you if I can help you further.

Sincerely yours,

Louise Kelly Crowder
(Mrs. James W.)

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Ellison

Dahlgren, Ga. 30535
February 7, 1968

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Mrs. James W. Crowder
157 York Street
Chester, South Carolina 29706

Dear Mrs. Crowder:

William Ellison came from Durham, England,
via County Antrim, Ireland, to Chester, Pa. in
1744. He moved to Fairfield, South Carolina
circa 1761. His son Robert married Elisabeth
Potts, resided near Winnsboro, fought in the
Revolution and was held prisoner for two years,
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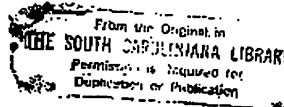
QUERY: DO you know location of Robert's
burial two miles from Winnsboro?

QUERY: Do you have any means of establishing
precedents of William Ellison, father of Robert?

Henry Key was born in Edgefield District,
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Key and grandson of Henry Key I, descendant of
either Caleb or Josina Key who emigrated from

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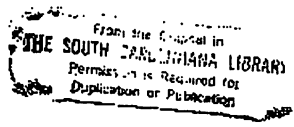
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ROBERT ELLISON

Revolutionary Soldier of Fairfield Co., S. C.

This study of ROBERT ELLISON is made in order to ascertain if he was the father of ANN ELLISON who wed WILLIAM SHAW.

ROBERT ELLISON, 1742-1806, is buried in Fairfield County on what is now the Fleming McMaster plantation. He was a soldier of the Revolutionary War and is listed among the REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIERS OF FAIRFIELD which was published in the January 1966 issue of the DAR Magazine.

WILLIAM SHAW was also a Revolutionary soldier. He was a resident of Chester County, S. C., which is adjacent to Fairfield County. He lived in Chester Co. from ca. 1785-6 until ca. 1805, when he removed from South Carolina to Kentucky.

ROBERT ELLISON is listed in the 1790 Census of Fairfield Co. between DAVID READ EVANS and DANIEL GOIN. In his household, along with himself, were 5 other males, all under 16 years, 3 females and 15 slaves. According to the standards of the times, he apparently was a man of prosperous circumstances.

As will be documented in the succeeding pages, ROBERT ELLISON appears to have had only one daughter, SARAH, who wed a man named ADGER. Sp far as could be determined, he was not the father of ANN (ELLISON) SHAW, wife of WILLIAM SHAW of Chester County.

① Robert Ellison

② David Read Evans

③ Daniel Goin S

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in his will.

MR. SHAW's land in Chester County was near the Broad River and in the western section of Chester County. It was not too far from Fairfield County but not the section of Fairfield in which ROBERT ELLISON evidently lived.

I wonder if this ROBERT ELLISON line has ever been used for DAR membership? You might check on this for other data on him.

You and your DAR board look wonderful and I am so proud that I know you. I do hope that soon you will be a VPS, too, for the National Society needs people of your caliber.

I do not remember whether I have written you since last summer when I returned from my European trip to find my husband, whom I had left in perfect health, just out of the hospital with a coronary. I was as deflated as a punctured balloon!! So this summer, instead of the Pacific NW trip I had planned, I am spending the time at home, and doing considerable work on the house, am glassing in my side porch as an office and re-draping and re-carpeting the front of the house and painting all downstairs. We are in the disorder which is the incipient stage of complete chaos, but I am hoping that it will be worth the effort when it is finished.

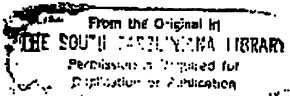
With all good wishes to you and I hope this ROBERT ELLISON material is interesting as well as helpful to you.

Sincerely yours,

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ELLISON

To 3 hours' work in Fairfield	
@ \$ 3.00 the hour.....	\$ 9.00
To pro-rata share of car expense	2.00
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