

L.007 THIS IS A LAND SALE BY THOMAS HILL AND WIFE JUDITH OF FAIRFIELD CO, SC TO JAMES KNOWLAND IN 1798. IT WAS SIGNED BY MOSES HILL, WHO WAS A JUSTICE OF PEACE. (IT IS BELIEVED TO BE THE SAME THOMAS HILL WHO PURCHASED LAND FROM LEONARD HILL AND IS SUSPECTED TO BE A BROTHER TO LEONARD HILL).

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA ) Know all men by these presents,  
that I THOMAS HILL of the County of Fairfield and State  
aforesaid, for and in consideration of ten (10) pounds  
sterling, to me paid by JAMES KNOWLAND of the sate and county  
aforesaid, have granted, bargained and sold and released and  
by these presents, do hereby grant, bargain, sell and release  
unto the said JAMES KNOWLAND, all that parcel of land  
containing 50 acres be the same more or less being the South  
part of 100 acres which was granted to WILLIAM HILL but  
transferred from RICHARD HILL, son and heir of law of said  
WILLIAM HILL, to JANE RODGERS-also conveyed from JANE RODGERS  
unto SHADRICK KNOWLAND, the 27th day of September 1788, also  
conveyed from said SHADRICK KNOWLAND to THOMAS HILL, the 16th  
day of March 1790, said land situate on BOWERS MILL CREEK, in  
Craven, now Fairfield County, beginning on a stake? ALEXANDER  
CHESTNUT'S corner upon the West original line of the whole  
(land??) and running NORTH 71 (degrees?) EAST (?) LITTLE  
RIVER, to a small stream, thence up the small stream to the  
original EAST line, bounded by ALEXANDER CHESTNUT'S land,  
being part of the same survey, thence SOUTHWARD on the  
original line, to the original corner, thence WESTWARDLY on  
the original line (bounding?) LITTLE RIVER, to the original  
corner, thence on the original line NORTHWESTERLY to the  
beginning staked corner, for complement of 50 acres of the  
same, more or less, together with all and singular, the  
rights, members ( two words not legible) and appurtenances to  
the said premises belonging or in any wise (word not legible)  
or appertaining TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, all and singular the  
said premises before mentioned unto the said JAMES KNOWLAND,  
his heirs and assigns forever, and I do hereby bind myself,  
my heirs, Executors, Administrators to warrant and forever  
defend all and singular the said premises unto the said JAMES  
KNOWLAND, his heirs and assigns forever against myself, my  
heirs and against all every other person or persons WHO SO  
EVER lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part  
thereof, IN WITNESS whereof the said THOMAS HILL have  
hereunto set my hand and seal the 15th day of February in the  
year of our Lord 1798, in the 22nd year of the Independence  
of the United States of America.

(SIGNED) THOMAS HILL

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in presence of SAMUEL CROWDER,  
JAMES KNOWLAND and JOHN GUINN?? of the day and year written  
of the within named JAMES KNOWLAND the full sum of 10 pounds  
sterling, it being the consideration of the within mentioned  
(money) received by me.

(SIGNED) THOMAS HILL

SOUTH CAROLINA )

FAIRFIELD DIST. ) Memorial that on the 15th day of February 1798, personally appeared SAMUEL CROWDER, who after being duly sworn as the law directs, sayeth that he was present and did see the mentioned THOMAS HILL sign, seal and as his act did deliver the within deed or instrument of (word not legible) to JAMES KNOWLAND for the use and purposes herein mentioned and also saw THOMAS HILL sign the receipt herein for the consideration within mentioned and also saw JAMES KNOWLAND and JOHN GRUIN (sign) their names as witnesses with himself to the same.

(SIGNED) SAMUEL CROWDER

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above mentioned, (15 Feb. 1798) before me.

(SIGNED) MOSES HILL J.P.

SOUTH CAROLINA, FAIRFIELD COUNTY...I ARROMANEL LILES, one of the Judges of the County aforesaid, do certify JUDITH HILL, wife of THOMAS HILL came before me and upon being questioned personally and (word not legible) examined by me, did declare that she did fully and voluntarily without and dread, fear of any person WHOM SO EVER, relinquish her claim and right of dower the within mentioned tract of land unto the hand of JAMES KNOWLAND, given under my hand and seal, the 14th day of February 1798.

(SIGNED) JUDITH (x) HILL

her mark

(SIGNED) ARROMONOS LILES J.P.

Recorded 27th August 1800.

NOTE OF EXPLANATION: Research has turned up the following information relating to the above Hill Family...

In the remains of a page from the family bible of Moses Hill of Fairfield County, (wife Savilla Roden), it states the following..."Coz (Cousin) Mary Heyll (Hill) departed this life on the 7th June in the year of our Lord 1827-the wife of CHARLES C. HEYLL (HILL). The hand writing (according to Mrs. Christopher) appears to be of a young girl. (?) Since Mary is referred to as Cousin, it is believed that Charles C. Hill was a cousin of Moses Hill.

I have determined that Charles Hill Sr. died between January of 1769 when he obtained a land grant and May of 1769 when that same piece of land was sold by his son & heir WILLIAM AUGUSTA HILL. Land deeds show that the wife of Charles Hill Sr. was named NANCY.

Land grants show that Charles Hill Jr. was granted land adjacent to that of William Augusta Hill and land that was originally surveyed for Charles Hill Sr. The land deeds shows that Charles Hill Jr had a wife named MARY.

Moses Hill's bible page shows that Charles C. Hill had a wife named Mary, thus leading to the conclusion that Charles C. Hill was actually Charles Hill Jr., son of Charles Sr. and brother to William Augusta Hill.

Charles C. Hill purchased land in Fairfield County by lease and release from John Griffin, who obtained the original land grant in 1759. (Reference DEED BOOK L, Page 146, dated 17th June 1765.

I suspected that both Burrill Hill (of Rutherford County, N.C. who sold land in Fairfield County S.C., said land originally granted to a Charles Hill) and George Augusta Hill (of adjacent Chester County S.C.) were sons of either Charles Hill Sr. OR Charles C. Hill Jr., but have not found any definite proof to which. The fact that a Burrill (Burwell) Hill was in Camden District at the time of the Revolution and fought in that war, plus his selling land (after the war) that was originally granted to a Charles Hill leads to the suspicion. Also the fact that George's middle name was "Augusta" would seem to offer that probability too.

I am of the opinion that Burrill Hill (who was court-martialed for "desertion" during the Revolution and who's sentence for said offense was to serve for the duration of the war, was somewhat disgraced and moved to Rutherford County N.C. after the war. When his father died, he sold the S.C. land that he had inherited from his deceased father.

William Augusta Hill was the son of Charles Hill Sr. & wife Nancy, thus was the brother of Charles C. Hill Jr. (wife Mary).

(Reference Fairfield DEED BOOK L, page 146). This shows that Charles Hill Sr. left land to son William Augusta Hill. William Augusta Hill was the father of Richard Hill, who along with his wife Agnes, conveyed the above land to Jane Rogers, who conveyed the land to Shadrick Knowland.

On the 16th of March 1790, Shadrick Knowland sold the land to a Thomas Hill. On 15th February 1798, THOMAS HILL and his wife JUDITH sold 50 acres (part of the 100 acres) of the above land to James Knowland.

The fact that Thomas Hill's wife Judith signed the deed, helps to determine which of the three known Thomas Hill living in the area, was involved.

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