NC.005 WILL OF THOMAS HILL OF HALIFAX COUNTY N.C. DATED 14 JULY 1768. (WILL BOOK 144, PAGES 236-238)

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WILL OF THOMAS HILL

Will 144, page 236 14 July 1768 February Court 1769

In the name of God, Amen, the fourteenth day of July in the year of our Lord, one Thousand seven hundred and sixty eight, I THOMAS HILL of North Carolina, in the county of Halifax, being very sick in body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given to God for the same, and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it was appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say principally and first of all, I give and recommend my sole (soul) unto the hand of God, that gave it and for my body, I recommend it to the earth, to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my executors, not doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by (the) mighty power of God. As touching such worldly estate where with it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give, devise and dispose of the same in manner and forms following, that is to say,

ITEM, I give and bequeath to my son GEORGE HILL, my dwelling plantation with 150 acres of land more or less after my living wife's death or marriage, to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM, I give and bequeath unto my son SLAUGHTER HILL a tract of land lying up the swamp, containing 150 acres of where James Weaver lives, to be laid from the swamp with a west line to John Edmondson's line, where he now lives, to him and his heirs forever after my loving wife's death or marriage. Likewise I give to my son SLAUGHTER HILL a Negro girl named ABB, after my loving wife's death or marriage, to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM, I give and bequeath unto my (son?) JAMES HILL, a tract of land containing 100 acres adjoining JOHN HILL, more or less, to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM, I give and bequeath to my daughter NANCY HILL, one cow and calf, to her and her heirs forever.

ITEM, I lend and bequeath unto COMFORT HILL, during her lifetime widowhood and (then?) to be equally to be divided amongst rest of my children namely ANAS (AMOS?) HILL and

MOSSES (MOSES) HILL and THOMAS HILL and WILLIAM HILL and ELIZABETH HILL and NANNY HILL, after my just debts are complying with I do hereby leave my dearly beloved wife and son SLAUGHTER HILL my whole and sole executor of this my last will and testament as witness my hand and seal this day above written.

(SIGNED BY) THOMAS HILL

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED IN THE PRESENTS OF THOMAS (X) STANTON

his mark

EPHRAIM (X) ADDOMS (ADDAMS?)

his mark

ROBERT (R) ADDOMS (ADDAMS?)

his mark

JOSEPH WILLIAMS

Halifax County February Court 1769..When the fore going will was exhibited in open court by the executor and duly proved by the oath of Thomas Stanton, one of the subscribing witnesses hereto, who on his oath did say that he saw the testor THOMAS HILL sign publish and declare the same to be his last will and testament and that he together with the other witnesses subscribe severally their respective names as witnesses hereto in the presents of the testor and at his request where upon the said will was ordered to be recorded.

Test. JAS. MONTFORD C.C.

(Clerk of Court)

Note: This family was located in an area that later became known as Roberson County, N.C., and which later became Martin County N.C..

Later (1987) information and research has turned up the following data that connects to the above Thomas Hill....

ROBERSON COUNTY, DEED ABSTRACTS, 1787-1793

1779 Land grant to Slaughter Hill-west side of Ashpole Swamp. 1785 Land grant to MOSES HILL-South side of Ashpole Swamp.

ABSTRACTS OF ROBERSON COUNTY WILLS, BOOK 1, (Dr. Morris Britt).

Slaughter Hill, Page 242-244, dated 27th October 1818

to son MOSES HILL "all furniture in frame house." to son John Hill to son Noah Hill also the name of Whitmel Hill appears

Brother MOSES HILL

JAMES HILL, Pages 85-86, dated 2nd November 1854 all land to son Griffin Hill

END OF DATA FOR NC.005

Note by Robert Hill of Brandon Fl:

Notice that Robert Hill 3/ with wife Tabitha died ca. 1765. His son, Thomas Hill 4/, died in 1789. This Thomas Hill family, as far as we could determine, was probably related to the Hill family of Nansemond Counyty, Va., or Chowan Counmty, NC where the name of Moses was used.

I descended from, a Moses Hill family of Fairfield Co., SC.. I first thought the son of Thomas/Comfort Hill was my Moses but not so. Thomas Hill (m. Comfort) lived in an area of Halifax County, NC that in 1774 broke off (along with Tyrrell County yo form Martin County. They ended up in Roberson Co., NC