

R.027 INVESTIGATIVE WORK FOR MRS. WILSON HAMLETT OF ALBANY,  
GEORGIA.

First entered in February of 1991 and updated ever so often  
until March of 1993 by Robert R. Hill of Brandon, Florida.

Sources: This is my research, based upon information provided  
by Mrs. Marialis Hamlett (Mrs. Wilson Hamlett) of Albany,  
Georgia. This is my own interpretation of the genealogical  
information that Mrs. Hamlett has sent to me.

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RESEARCH FOR A JAMES HILL, ANCESTOR OF MRS. WILSON HAMLETT.  
by Robert R. Hill of Brandon, Fla in February of 1991.

Mrs. Hamlett states that she thinks the James Hill that  
married Christiana Lassiter is her James Hill. Since Sarah  
Hill, widow of Thomas Hill 4/ (of Halifax Co., N.C.) left her  
a legacy, I think there must be some connection of this James  
Hill to the family of Thomas Hill 4/. I will try to find out  
what that connection is.

In dealing with Marialis' James Hill, we seem to have to be  
concerned with two James Hills. We must first separate them.

Marialis says that she thinks one James Hill may have been a  
son of William Hill 2/ of Chesterfield County, Virginia and  
the son of a James Hill 1/ and his wife, Winifred Hill, who  
died ca. 1772. She later ruled that out and says that  
perhaps he was the son of William Hill that married Lydia  
White Jones.

It does appear that there were two James Hills, one may have  
been the son or brother of a William Hill, who may have been  
first located in Washington County, Georgia and who later MAY  
HAVE moved into Greene County, Georgia and married the widow  
Lydia White Jones. Another James Hill married Elizabeth  
Cleckler in 1808. Was it his son that married Christiana  
Lassiter or Elizabeth Cleckler?

I need a map of Georgia showing me the different counties and  
when they were formed. I will ask for it later, when I think  
I am on the right track but at this time, I do not have  
enough understanding of the counties and their formation to  
know if certain individuals actually moved from Washington  
County to Greene County or was it just that the county lines  
changed. The same applies to William Hill who's residence  
is listed as Greene County, Baldwin, Randolph & Jasper  
Counties in Georgia. I will ask Marialis for a map later on.

I have reviewed the Robert Hill 3/ family of N.C. to see if I

can establish a connection to James Hill that married Christiana Lassiter. So far, no success.

It has been very difficult for me to work on this project due to the confusion on my part in dealing with what appears to have been two different Hill families, both converging into Greene County, Georgia, Warren County and Jasper County, Georgia.

One is the family of a William Hill, who was a Revolutionary Soldier, and who's origins were in Chesterfield County, Virginia, but it did not take long to find out he went to and died in Warren County, Georgia ca. January of 1851? He was ruled out as part of Mrs. Hamlett line. I had already researched this line out and will go ahead and enter it later.

The other was a William Hill, who is thought to have been in Washington County, Georgia, and who later MAY HAVE lived in Greene County, Georgia and later married a widow named Lydia White Jones, widow of Hugh Jones in Greene County..

Mrs. Hamlett feels that the William Hill that married Lydia White Jones is her ancestor and that James Hill was his son. Again, which James Hill, the one that married Christiana Lassiter or Elizabeth Cleckler?

Both Jerry R. Hill & Marialis now understand and agrees with this researcher that this William Hill was not the same man listed by others as William Hill Sr. 4/, son of Robert Hill 3/ of Halifax County, and who later left Chatham County, N.C. for Hancock County, Georgia. Jerry R. Hill's ancestor was this William Hill Sr. 4/.

As I have stated to them and tried to point out, land deeds of Chatham County, N.C. clearly shows this William Hill Sr. 4/ was still in N.C. in 1798 and 1800, while a William Hill & Lydia White Jones were married and had one of their two daughters in Greene County, Georgia.

Marialis (Mrs. Hamlett) feels that her William Hill had a son named James Hill, & who died in 1823, by a previous marriage, before he married Lydia White Jones. This may be correct but it is very difficult to determine which of the James Hill died in 1823 in Jasper County. I must find this out!

Regarding the William Hill of Chesterfield County, Virginia. Even though this family has been ruled out, since I had put time into researching them, I am going to enter it anyway, even though Marialis says it is not her family line. Who knows, it might prove out differently later on.

I am not too sure on this but I think James Hill, that died in Chesterfield County, Virginia ca. 6th May 1751, may have been the father to James Hill, who died ca. 1774. For this

reason I cannot call him the first generation but will call James Hill, who died in 1774 as the first known generation.

James Hill 1/ of Chesterfield County, Virginia, had a wife named Winifred. I estimate that this James Hill 1/ was born between 1725-1730. James Hill 1/ wrote his will on the 11th of January 1750 and he was deceased by the 4th of July 1772, because on that date, the son John Hill 2/ was granted the rights of Administration to the estate. From scanty information, it appears that both the wife Winifred Hill and the son John Hill 2/ administered the estate.

On the 11th of August 1772, the estate of James Hill 1/ was valued at 883 pounds, 9 shillings, 9 pence by John Watkins, Ed Mosley and Ed. Friend. On this date, the sons John Hill 2/ and James Hill 2/ "heir at law" were said to be of full age, meaning 21 years old.

All was not peaceful among this Hill family because on the 3rd of May 1774, the daughter Mary Hill 2/, who had married Francis Walthall, filed a law suit against the entire estate. The reason for the suit is not clear but it is assumed that they were unhappy with their share of the estate.

Named in that law suit were the widow and mother and the children listed later. I do not know the order of birth for these children but assuming that the birth of William Hill is correct and the sons John & James Hill were over 21, and Mary Hill 2/ was the 3rd child, I have attempted to estimate their births, allowing two years to three years between births. I have also added to their names any marriages found.

1. John Hill, b. ca. 1748. (adm estate with mother).
2. James Hill, born ca. 1750.
3. Mary Hill, b. ca. 1752, married Francis Walthall.
4. Mabel Hill, b. ca. 1755, later married a Mr. Winfree.
5. Ann Hill, b. ca. 1757, later married a Mr. Hancock.
6. William Hill, b. 1st November 1760. He married Phoebe Flournoy. In the 1850 census of Warren County, Georgia, he was living with his daughter Winifred Lester and was listed at the age 90 (born 1760 in Va.). He appears to have died in January of 1851 in Warren County, Ga.
7. Benjamin Hill, b. ca. 1762, may have m. Nancy Franklin.
8. Robert Hill. born ca. 1764.

On the 4th of March 1774, (the mother) Winifred Hill was appointed guardian of William Hill 2/; Benjamin Hill 2/; Robert Hill 2/ and Winifred Hill 2/, all orphans of James Hill 1/, deceased.

In the Chesterfield Virginia Court Session of May 1774:

On page 14, was the following: We subscribers have laid off

Winifred Hill's dower in lands and tenements of her deceased husband, JAMES HILL, deceased. The heir at law, John Hill 2/, being of full age, agrees and she is to hold the mansion house and 260 acres of land.

On Page 15, In the same court session: In the case of Francis Walthall and Mary (Hill) 2/, his wife, William Hill 2/; James Hill 2/; Benjamin Hill 2/; Robert Hill 2/, Mabel Hill 2/; Ann Hill 2/; and Winifred Hill 2; all orphans of the deceased James Hill deceased, by Francis Walthall, their next friend AGAINST John Hill 2/ and Winifred Hill (widow & mother of all the children) Administrators of the estate of James Hill 1/, deceased:

By order of the court, a division of estate is made to: John Hill 2/; Mable (Hill) Winifree 2/; Mary (Hill) Walthall 2/; James Hill 2/; Ann (Hill) Hancock 2/; William Hill 2/; Benjamin Hill 2/; Robert Hill 2/; and (widow) Winifred Hill.

Based on the above information, it seems that Francis Walthall & Mary Hill 2/ (his wife) won their law suit against the administrators and the estate was apparently divided up equally among them all, after the widow and mother, Winifred Hill, received her dower rights.

Additional information provided by Marialis (Mrs. Hamlett):

Winifred Hill 3/, daughter of Number 6. above, married Benjamin Lester of Hancock County, Georgia. Their children were:

- a. Benjamin Lester Jr.
- b. Virginia Lester (1834-1905).

Virginia Hill 3/, daughter of same William Hill & Phoebe Flournoy was listed in the 1860 census of Warren County, Ga. as age 55 (born) 1805, married Harmon (Herman) Hubert on 20th April 1820. He died in 1859 in Warren County, Ga. Census says both were born in Georgia. It is my understanding that she remarried a son of her husbands, (by another marriage) named R. W. Hubert.

The births of John & James Hill are estimated on the information that they both were of "full age" on 6th May 1774. May Hill's birth is estimated on the fact that she was already married to Francis Walthall.

The son William Hill is thought to have been a Revolutionary Soldier in Virginia and after the war moved to Georgia.

After listing this family and researching them, it was determined that they were not part of Marialis' family line.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON A WILLIAM HILL

Regarding the William Hill that married Lydia White Jones, past researchers have stated that he was William Hill Sr. 4/, son of Robert 3/ & Tabitha Hill, of Halifax County, N.C., but land deeds of Chatham County, N.C. clearly shows that it was not this William Hill 4/ that married Lydia White Jones. As stated before, the land deeds show he was still in Chatham County N.C. in 1800 and by that time, a William Hill had married Lydia Jones and had a daughter.

Mrs. Hamlett states that she thinks her ancestor was the James Hill that married Christian Lassiter in Greene County, Georgia on 15th of September 1806. So this is going to be my main subject that I will concentrate on. I still cannot find any connection of a James Hill to the Thomas Hill 4/ Robert Hill 3/ family of N.C.

Since Mrs. Hamlett thinks William Hill was the father of her James Hill, I will also research the William Hills to see what turns up, especially William Hill that married Lydia White Jones.

#### LAND DEEDS OF GREENE COUNTY CONCERNING WILLIAM HILL.

Volume 2, Page 540 dated January 21, 1802.

William Hill & his wife, Lydia Hill of Greene County to Joshua Moore of Greene County, 288 acres.

Wit:  
Wm. Brown  
Fanny Slaughter  
Isaac McLendon

Recorded or Registered on 2nd March 1802

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Volume 4 Page 28 or 280? dated 5th November 1805

William Hill of Greene County to Thomas Knowles of Greene County, 700 acres of land adjacent to lands of Kinnon, on the waters of Shoulderbone Creek.

Wit:  
John Bush  
Jas. P. Knowles  
Will Johnson, J.P.

Recorded or Registered on 14th January 1806

See Comments after next deed.

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5th November 1805 William Hill of Baldwin County & Lydia his wife, to Abraham Ingram of Greene County, 35 acres in

Greene County, adjacent to lands of Kimmons, on waters of Shoulderbone Creek.

Recorded or Registered 25th April 1809

In 1815 this deed was acknowledged by widow, Lydia White Jones Hill, who had by now, remarried a 3rd time to a Isaac Hill, and who was no relationship to her 2nd husband, the deceased, William Hill.

Comments by Robert Hill: What is confusing here is that on this same date, 5th November 1805, William Hill & his wife Lydia made two deeds. The first deed, William Hill is listed as being a resident of Greene County, yet on the 2nd deed, he is listed as being of Baldwin County. It is obviously the same William Hill that married Lydia White Jones, who later had to acknowledged the deed in 1815.

How can this be? Was Baldwin County formed from Greene County? It appears that William & Lydia Hill were in the process of moving up into or towards Jasper County, Georgia. In 1815, Lydia Hill had to acknowledge the deed again as her 2nd husband, William Hill, died in 1809. I need to obtain a map of Georgia showing me the counties and when they were formed.

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Here is something that I had not noticed before. Listed among the Sales, Inventories and Appraisals of Greene County is the following:

In Book E, Page 98, dated 14th May 1806.  
John Hill & Ed Parks applied for letters of Administration on the estate and effects of William Hill, deceased,

In Book E, Page 939, the Appraisement of the estate of William Hill, deceased, was made. (You copied it).

Note from Robert Hill: Marialis, who is this William Hill? This seems to indicate that a William Hill died in Greene County in 1804 but he was not the William Hill that married Lydia White Jones. That William Hill is said to have died in Jasper County, Georgia in 1809. In my mind it appears that this William Hill had a son named John Hill.

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The Administrator of this particular William Hill's estate was a John Hill and while the documents that were sent were very dark, having been exposed too early to the light, it is almost un-readable, BUT there is one piece that can be made out and that is as follows below:

Inventory & Appraisement of the Estate of William Hill, deceased.

5 pr puuta (pweter) irons	2.50;	1 lbs biclus?	\$ 3.50
4 hiacsiu ?? shirts	5.00	1 neck (Hck??)	12 & 1/2 5.12 1/2
2 waist coats	2.00	1 pr. stockings	
1 bro cloth coat	250 =	2 hkfs	1 pr gloves
1 pr punlal? loon?	37 1/2 =	1 1 pr bridles	1.50 1.87 1/2
1 waist coat	1.50 =	1 brace pistol & holster	16.50
1 silver watch	25.00 =	1 pr Saddle bags	1.50 26.50
1 pr pleated sturrups	Irons?		
1 saddle stre?	3.00 =	1 pr. shoe boots	
& S. cloth	25		3.25
1 note of hand?			50.00
			111.25

State of Georgia)

Greene County ) I do certify that John Robins, William Anderson & John Cunningham was duly sworn as appraisers of the estate of William Hill, deceased, Sworn to before me, this 5th July 1808.

Signed/ Francis B. Kin? J.P.

John Robins )

William Anderson ) Appraisers

John Cunningham )

Recorded the 5th of October 1808, Henry Carleton for Tho. Carleton, Clerk of County Court (Greene County, Ga.).

The following part of the document was very dark, having been taken out of the copier too early, but this is the best that I can make it out.

Sale of the Estate of William Hill, deceased,			
250 acres (of?) land, both by Robert Hill			\$ 36.00
? May be 200 "	"	"	205.00
202 & 1/2 "	John Hill		? (blank)
1 brace? pistols & holster	M. Hill		5.00
1 silver watch	" "		16.00
1 hat	John Hill		5.00
casle in? hiasd ???	??		16.00

305.12

A true list John Hill, administrator, recorded 2nd December 1808. signed by H. Carleton for Thomas Carleton, Clerk of County, Court.

Cr. (credit ?) The Administrator of William Hill, deceased, January 1809, By Casle (sic?) paid himself, \$ 100.00.

" paid tax for 450 acres of land, one 1/2, 2 & the other quads since 1789 (sic)???.

Just who this William Hill was is not known but it appears

that a Robert Hill, John Hill and M. Hill were his children, (not proved).

### JAMES HILL OF GREENE COUNTY, GA.

Based on what Marialis says and also on the following, it appears that a James Hill died in Greene County, Georgia. Since there was no date to this document, it is impossible to say when he died. This is too bad as it could be the James Hill that married Christiana Lassiter. (I do think I need to establish if it was the same James Hill that married Christiana Lassiter or Elizabeth Cleckler. My gut feeling is that they were two different men).

Inventory of a James Hill, deceased, dated ??? in Book E, Page 138 shows following:

By exponduters

By John Armolis pro account allowed by the court	\$ 52.00
By paid Jane Hall account	4.00
By paid William Dunn "	9.00
" "	12.00
By paid Doc Owen "	75.00
paid McMichael as crier	2.00
paid Wm. Hubbard for keeping children	18.00
	<u>50.00</u>
	\$ 200.00

By Thomas Carleton his fees as Clerk of Court	6.50
By stamp, paper at sundrys	1.00
1 qt molasses for children	.25
By making two shifts (sic) Skirts?, two petty coats an two waist coats for child Charlotte	1.50
By Oynbrigs at sundrys for Charlotte	1.50
Brandy at the appraisal's sale	4.50
Pd for calico shoes (H?) for children	4.50
By my commisions as acting Executor as the law directs	19.75

213.75

Orphans this year

1801 Paid " for "	\$ 50.00
1802 Paid " for "	50.00
1803 Paid " for "	50.00
1804 Paid " for "	60.00
	<u>150.00</u>
	60.00
	<u>\$ 523.75</u>

Note by Robert Hill: It is too bad that the date of this document and the children were not listed in this document, but it certainly seems that there was a daughter left named Charlotte Hill.



## HILL MARRIAGES IN GREENSBORO, GEORGIA (GREENE COUNTY)

I have recopied the Hill marriages listed in Greene County, Georgia and placed them in chronological order. While I have no proof of the following comments, let us assume the possibility of them being correct for now.

1. Betsy Hill, daughter of William Hill, married Benjamin Lassiter on April 22, 1801. Co., Ga born ca. 1785. The 1850 census of Campbell says she was age 65, born in S.C. (My comment: I suspect she could possibly be the sister of James Hill below).
2. James Hill. I estimate his birth ca. between 1779-1785, possibly in S.C. He m. Christina (Christian) Lassiter on Sept. 15, 1806. Christiana Lassiter was the daughter of Tobias Lassiter and they lived in Greene County, Georgia as she was named in her father's will, dated 18th July 1801. (My comment: It could be that Betsy and James Hill were brother and sister).
3. Polly Hill m. Thomas Wood on March 17, 1810. (My comment: She could be named Mary and be a sister to James Hill, just speculation for now).
4. William Hill m. Lucy G. Perdue on June 14, 1820.
5. James Hill m. Elizabeth Smith on March 14, 1825.
6. Robert Hill m. Eloina Bledsoe on Oct. 2, 1825.

I wonder if this Robert Hill and Polly Hill were also children of the deceased William Hill, who died in Greene County, Georgia in 1804. Again who was this William Hill?

I still am unable to determine which James Hill died in Jasper County in 1823, the one that married Christiana Lassiter or Elizabeth Cleckler. Could it be the same man that married twice? Will check out the Lassiter family to see if anything can be learned.

### LASSITER FAMILY

John Lassiter 1/ is said to have been born ca. 1723, where is unknown. His wife was named Rebecca, born ca. 1725. He is said to have died in Chowan County, N.C., where his will was dated 15th January 1759. Listed in that will were nine children, including Tobias Lassiter 2/.

Tobias Lassiter 2/ was born ca. 1749. His birth was listed as being in Nash County, N.C. but that county was not formed until 1777. It appears that his birth was actually in what

was then Edgecombe County, N.C. from which Nash was formed from in 1777. (This is the same area where William Hill Sr. 4/, Thomas Hill 4/, Green Hill 4/ & Abner Hill 4/, all sons of Robert Hill 3/ lived, so the Hill-Lassiter families could have been very close in N.C.

Tobias Lassiter 2/, made his will on the 18th of July 1801 in Greene County, Georgia. In his his will, he named all of his children, including a daughter named Christiana Lassiter 3/, who later married a James Hill, who Marialis thinks was her ancestor. The will was probated in the Greene County Court Session for January 1804.

Christiana Lassiter 3/, purchased from the estate of her father, Tobias Lassiter 2/ the following articles:

1 lot of pewter @ \$ 2.40 & 1 iron pot	
@ \$ 1.50 for a total of.....	\$ 3.90
1 Dutch oven @ \$ 1.75, 1 loom, bars & slay	
@ 5.25 for a total of.....	7.00
1 cotton wheel & pair of candes	1.433/4
Total	<u>\$ 12.34</u>

Later, Christiana Lassiter 3/ married a James Hill on the 16th of September 1806 in Greene County, Georgia.

The following could be very important.

On the 15th of February 1823 in Jasper County, Georgia, Christian (sic) Hill bought from Samuel Thompson of Jasper County for \$500.00, 100 acres of land on Murder Creek, Lot 56, of 15th District in Jasper County, Ga.

Signed/ Samuel Thompson

Wit:

John Shaw

Fracnis Petterson

John Hill, Clerk of County Court

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Now could this have been Christiana Lassiter Hill, the wife or widow of James Hill? It may be a man named Christian Hill. I am suspucious that this WAS NOT CHRISTIANA LASSITER! The reason is that she is not stated to be a widow in the deed. Also a woman usually did not buy land herself unless she was a spinster or a widow. I must be careful here.

If the above was Christiana (Lassiter) Hill, it would seem that James Hill had died by the date above and his widow, Christiana Lassiter Hill was living in Japsrer County, as was her peviously deceased husband when he died. For that reason I am going to later list all deeds involving James Hill of

both Greene & Jasper Counties, Georgia, but first another deed of Randolph County, Ga.

In Deed Book 4, (No page given) on 18th April 1810, James Hill of Randolph County from Brown Lassiter, of Randolph County, and un stated piece of land in Jasper County, originally granted to Milley Hightower.

Signed/ Brown Lassiter

Wit:

Jas.-?

Green B. Turner

Allen Turner

Comments by Robert Hill: In the above deed dated 18th April 1810, a James Hill was a resident of Randolph County. Was this close to Greene County or Jasper County? How and when was Randolph County formed? If this were known it would help me to determine if it were the same James Hill that married Christiana Lassiter or Elizabeth Cleckler. Somehow I suspect it was a different James Hill than the one that married Christiana Lassiter.

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Below are some Abstracted Deeds from Greene County, Georgia, that relate to a James Hill:

#### FROM COURT RECORDS OF GREENE, CO., GEORGIA

Page 307 (What Book & what County?)

On 20th March 1786, JAMES HILL of Wilkes County, to Robert Middleton of the county aforesaid, for 100 pounds of lawful money, 500 acres in Wilkes County, now Greene County, on waters of South Ogeechee (river) (originally) granted the said (James) HILL on 22nd October 1784.

Signed/ JAMES (X) HILL

Wit:

Sanders Walker

Nancy Walker

Stephen Heard

Registered 20th October 1789.

Comments by Robert Hill:

This deed shows James Hill of Wilkes County was selling to Robert Middleton of the same county, 500 acres of land that was once in Wilkes County but was now Greene County. The 500 acres was originally granted to James Hill on the 22nd of October 1784.

This seems to be important as it shows that this particular James Hill was at least 21 years of age on 22nd October 1784 when the land was originally granted to him, indicating his birth was before BUT no later than 1763. I think this rules

him out as being the James Hill that married Christiana Lassiter.

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In Greene County, Georgia ?? "Book No. 1, Book A.??"

On the 24th of November 1787, Andrew Frazer, merchant, to Dyer Frazer of the said state and county aforesaid, for 300 pounds of lawful money of said state, 500 acre in Greene County, formerly Wilkes County, on the waters of South Ogeechee (river) original grant to James Hill on 22nd of October 1784 and conveyed by said Hill to Frazer on 20th March 1786.

Signed/ Andrew Frazer

Witnesses:

John Hill

Robert Middleton, J.P.

Comments: In my opinion, this is not the same James Hill that married Christiana Lassier in September of 1806 but I think he was the son of the William Hill of Washington County, Georgia, who I think came into Greene County and married Lydia White Jones, widow of Hugh Jones.

Remember, James Hill of Jasper County was listed as being 45 years old or over in the 1820 Census and this may be him. This shows his birth was no later than 1775. He could have moved to Jasper County. I wonder if he is the one that married Elizabeth Cleckler?

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Greene County, Georgia  
Pages 142-144 (No Book given)

On 4th March 1788, Dyer Frazer of Wilkes County, Georgia, Gentleman, to William Cureton Junior of the county and state aforesaid, for 150 pounds sterling, 500 acres on waters of South Ogeechee (river) in Greene County, originally granted to JAMES HILL on 22nd October 1784, and then conveyed from said Hill to Col. Stephen Head, from Head to the said Frazer.

Signed/ Dyar Frazer

Witnesses:

John Frazer

David Dixon

William Cureton.

On 6th March 1788, David Dixon attested before Henry Graybill, J.P.

Comments: This deed simply shows that the land James Hill received by a land grant and who obviously at some unknown date. sold it to Andrew Frazer, and who in the deed above was selling it to Dyer Frazer.

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January 10th, 1818 (Greene County)

A DEED OF GIFT FROM MARY ANN HILL for the love and good will I bear unto my beloved son, JAMES P. HILL, minor, and for divers good causes hereunto moving; do give unto my beloved son aforesaid, although a minor, the sum of \$ 6,000, to be paid him when he arrives at mature age etc.....

(signed by) Mary Ann Hill

January 10, 1818 in presence of Lucy Hill, Cynthia Campbell, Elijah Robins & Thomas Riley.

Comments: Obviously this was the mother of a James Hill giving him money, but showing it was not either of the James Hills that married Christiana Lassiter or Elizabeth Cleckler. This James Hill was a minor in 1818.

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Greene County, Georgia

Page 148-149 (What date-What Book?)

Richard Call of Augusta to WILLIAM ALFORD of Greene County for 300 pounds of lawful money of Georgia, 287 and 1/2 acres on branches of Fort Creek in Washington County, adjacent to WILLIAM HILL, (originally) granted to Elijah Leonard on 22 February 1786.

Signed/ Richard Call

Wit:

John Marcus

Edward Randolph (sic)

On 24th January 1788, Jno. Marcus attested before R. Middleton, J.P.

Comments by Robert Hill: Could this be the father of James Hill that married Christiana Lassiter? This deed clearly shows that the land being sold was located in Washington County, Georgia. It is also OBVIOUS that a William Hill owned land in Washington County, Georgia.

I am wondering if the William Hill that is mentioned in this deed, could be the same William Hill that later married the widow of Hugh Jones, Lydia White Jones in Greene County, and who later died in Jasper County, Georgia in 1809.

It is possible that James Hill was his son or connected to him in some other way. A check of Washington County, Georgia should be made.

Another important possible clue is that the name of Alford

has a Chapman connection in Warren County, Georgia. He was the grandfather to a Chapman there. I forget which one.

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Greene County  
Page 308 (What Book?)

On 13th August 1789  
Col. Robert Middleton & Elizabeth his wife, of Greene County, to William Chiles of Edgefield County, S.C. for 150 pounds sterling, 500 acres on waters of the South Ogeechee, (originally) granted the said JAMES HILL on 22nd October 1784.

Signed/ R. Middleton  
Elizabeth (E) Middleton

Wit:  
R. Thomas, J.P.  
John Thomas Jr.

Registered 22nd October 1789

Comment: James Hill had sold this land to Robert Middleton, who was now reselling it.

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Pages 525-526 (What Book, What County?)

On 10th October 1789, William Cureton Junior of Greene County, Georgia to John Hampton of Washington County, (Georgia) for 150 pounds sterling, 500 acres on waters of South Ogeechee, originally granted to JAMES HILL on 22nd October 1784.

Signed/ William Cureton

Wit:  
And. (Andrew?) Hampton  
Daniel (x) Watley  
Moses Ross

Washington County, 5th July 1791, Moses Ross attested to signatures before John Watley, J. P.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Following was provided ny Marialis Hamlett.

In the 1860 Warren County, Georgia Census there is a family listed as follows:

592.2 John J. H. Harris age 33 (Baptist Minister) Born Ga.  
Emily Harris (wife) 34 " Ga.  
four children (not listed here)

The wife Emily was Emily Hill 8, a daughter of Fielding Hill 7/ and his wife, Isabella Gibson. Fielding Hill 7/ was son of Thomas G. Hill 6/ & Phebe Brantley. Thomas G. Hill 6/ was son of Richard Hill 5/ & qife Frances, originally of Johnson Co., NC but who came to Warren Co., Ga. inb mid 1780's. Ricgard Hill 5/ was son of Thomas Hill 4/ & Sarah Etheridge of Halifax Co., NC. Thomas 4/ son of Robert Hill 3/ & wife Tabitha if Halifax Co., NCq

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652.63 John A Parham, age 12 was listed in Warren County, 1860 Census in the Household of Ambrose Heath, age 60, born GA., Ambrose Heath was a son of Joel Heath and his wife, Mary Hill.

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In Volume 2 of some Georgia Records, (page 170) is the following:

Page 249, dated 11th September 1822, Deed made in Putnam County, Georgia by Sion L. (Lassiter) Hill to Edmund Allums for \$ 500.00, Lot NO. 25 of the 6th District in Henry County, Ga.

Witness:

James Dismukes

Richard Wright

Proved in Putnam County 21 Sept. 1823 by Richard Wright.

Comment by Robert Hill:

This was Sion Lassiter Hill, who was a veteran of the War of +1812 and who married into the Dismukes family (Frances Dismukes). His military records shows he enlisted as a "Herbert Hill." Why? He is also the one that a Mr. Seward has erroneously listed as a son of William Hill Sr. 4/ & Elizabeth Clanton. I wonder if he was a son of Enoch Hill 5/, son of William Hill 4/ & wife Charity Lewis of Edgecombe and Chatham Counties of N.C.?

I also note that the above Edward Allums later sold this land to Briggs Allums, who married Martha Crowder, the sister of the great grandfather of Marialis Wilson, named Alexander.

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Chronology of a James Hill of Jasper County, Georgia:

My note: I wonder if this James Hill may have once lived in Washington County and or Greene County. (Still checking on this).

I have had no luck with the James Hill/Christiana Lassiter line so will try the other James Hill.

This James Hill married Elizabeth Cleckler on the 3rd of April 1808 in Putnam County, Georgia. Assuming his birth was

ca. 1775 then he was about 33 years old when he married Elizabeth Cleckler, older if born before 1775. The same applies to Elizabeth Cleckler.

Known children of the deceased James Hill and wife Elizabeth Cleckler were:

1. Mary "Polly" Hill, born ca, 1809-10, married John R. King on the 3rd of March 1826.
2. Elizabeth Hill, born ca. 1811-12, married Bartholomew Westbrook on the 24th of February 1831.
3. Louisa (Eliza) Hill, born on 26th May 1813, married Joseph Westbrook on the 27th of January 1832 and her second marriage was to Robert A. Clark. She died on 21st March 1872 in Cherokee County, Alabama.
4. Matilda (Mattie) Hill born ca. 1815-16, married John Wiggins on 1st September 1836 in Fayette County, Ga.
5. Ellington Hill, (son) born ca. 1817, married Elizabeth Ann Armstrong in Clay County, Alabama. No dates were given.

The above James Hill died between January and April of 1823 in Jasper County, Georgia.

Jasper County, Georgia Court Records Relating to James Hill.

1820 Jasper County 1820 Census shows James Hill, 1 male 45/up, 1 male 10/16, 1 female 45/up (Page 254 of Census). (Indicates birth of James Hill & Wife Elizabeth Cleckler before but no later than 1775.

1821 Land Lottery, James Hill of Jasper County, Ryans District, LL #350, Section 16, Henry County.

1822 Deed Book A, Page 253, LL # 36 District?? 1823--

Letters of Administration (Admn Book A, Page 17). (James Hill had now passed away.)

1823--July 7th, Bond, Channele (Cheadle) Cochran, Benjamin Lasseter, Martin Cochran \$ 3000 Bond. (In Bond Book B, Page 65).

1823--December 16th, Inventory of the James Hill estate. (Adm Return Book 4, Page 130).

1823--December 16th, Second Inventory of James Hill estate.

1824--January 24th, List of Sale of estate of James Hill and  
1825--February 25th, List of Sale of estate of James Hill. (Adm Return Book 4, Page 131).

1825--November 7th, Guardians Bond-Elijah Cleckler, William Pressley, H. Cleckler, \$ 1000 Bond. (Bond Book B, Page 159).

1825 Letters of Guardianship-Polly (Mary) & Besty "of Age"



- to choose (their) own guardian. (Admn Book A, Page 93).
- 1826--February 25th, Letter stating sale of Lot 350 (Admn Return Book 4, Page 132).
- 1826--February 25th Return on sale of Lot 350 (Admn Return Book 4, Page 132).
- 1829--March, Transfer to Fayette County, Ga. (This indicates the administration of James Hill's estate was transferred to Fayette County due to the fact that the Clecklers (guardians of the orphans) probably lived in Fayette County, Ga.

Fayette County, Georgia:

- 1829--January 19th, Guardian Bond, Cleckler, Cox & Henderson, Bond \$ 306.62.
- 1829--January 19th, Return for 1828, Receipt for same, (Book B, Page 17).
- 1829--January 19th, Guardian Bond-E. (Elizabeth?) Cleckler, Cox & Henderson, \$ 306.62.
- 1830--January 5th, Return Number 2, for 1829, (Book B, Page 30).
- 1831--March 7th, Return for 1830, (Book B, Page 35) Paid (by?) Mary King. (a daughter).
- 1832--January 27th, Marriage of Louisa Hill (daughter & Joseph Westbrook) (also called Eliza?)
- 1832--February 9th, Return for 1831 (Book B, Page 120).
- 1833--January ?, Return Number 4 for 1832, (Book B, Page 162) paid by B. Westbrook for Elizabeth (Cleckler?). 1834--February 3rd, Return Number 5 for 1833, (Book B, Page 207) Receipt for same.
- 1835--January 1st, Return Number 6 for 1834 (Book B. Page 239) Receipt for same & Tax. Paid by J. Westbrook for Louisa
- 1836--January 1st, Return Number 7 for 1835 and receipt for tax (Book B, page 339).
- 1836--October 29th, Receipt for Matilda Wiggins (daughter) by (husband) John Wiggins
- 1837--April 29th, Return Number 8 for 1836 and receipt for tax (Book B. Page 445).
- 1838--May 3rd, Return Number 9 for 1837, receipt for same & tax (Book C, Page 56).
- 1838--December 8th, Receipt for Ellington Hill (son). 1839--January 5th, Return Number 10 (Book C, Page 98).

WELL, AT LAST I HAVE MADE A CONNECTION TO A JAMES HILL (ABOVE) AND TO MARIALIS'S FAMILY LINE THROUGH THE MARRIAGE OF LOUISA HILL TO J. WESTBROOK. HER JAMES HILL WAS THE JAMES HILL THAT MARRIED ELIZABETH CLECKLER, THANKS TO THE ABOVE

Marialis, If I were you, I would certainly research Putnam & Washington County records for any Hills. After all, it seems that a William Hill lived there. He may be the one that married Lydia White Jones. Also, this James Hill married

there and it is a good possibility that he and the wife's family lived there before they married.

In going over land deeds and other records, it appears to me that a James Hill once lived in what was in Baldwin County, then Randolph County, and finally Jasper County. Were these counties all originally part of Baldwin County? I need to get this cleared up. It also appears to me that this may be the one that married Elizabeth Cleckler.

**MY CONCLUSION:** The ancestor of Marialis Hamlett was James Hill that married Elizabeth Cleckler and NOT James Hill that married Christiana Lassiter. The father of her James Hill may be the same William Hill that married Lydia White Jones. I would certainly research the records of both Putnam and Washington Counties of Georgia.

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