

R.032 INFORMATION CONNECTING THE NICHOLAS LONG FAMILY TO
THE HILL FAMILY AS WELL AS THE HILL-RUFFIN FAMILIES
OF NORTH CAROLINA.

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Fla.

Sources: Stuart Hall Hill Papers; Historical Sketches of
Franklin County, N.C. by Edward Hill Davis; Information
provided by Mrs. L. Winifred Jacob of Beaverton, OR. & my own
research.

Note: Colonel Nicholas Long 1/ (of Ouankey) was first
married to Mary Reynolds, who died in Virginia and they had a
son named Gabriel Long 2/. Col. Nicholas Long 1/ married a
second time to Mary McKinnie & their children are all listed
in the will below.

ABSTRACTED PORTION OF THE WILL OF COLONEL NICHOLAS LONG SR.
1/ (OF QUANKEY).

Will # 577, Page 292, dated 13th of June 1797, Probated in
February Court of 1798 in Halifax County, N.C.

Children (names not given) of my late son, GABRIEL LONG 2/,
deceased, 5 pounds in addition to what I have already given
their deceased father, grandson NICHOLAS LONG 3/, son of
GABRIEL LONG 2/, 600 acres (of land) in Georgia, when he is
21 in lieu of 130 acres sold by me to John Miller.

Son NICHOLAS LONG (JR.) 2/, Negroes and one fourth (1/4) of
my land in Georgia.

Son LUNSFORD LONG 2/, 200 acres in Northampton County, N.C.,
which I purchased of Thomas Edward Summer.

My son LUNSFORD LONG 2/, Negroes & cattle.

Son RICHARD HARRISON LONG 2/, Negroes & 200 acres I purchased
of Henry Montford and the land I purchased of John Branch,
which joins Blake Baker.

Daughter MARY STITH 2/ several Negroes.

Son JOHN JOSEPH LONG 2/, 200 acres and the Negroes which I
purchased of Robert Peebles.

Son LEMUEL LONG 2/, land & Negroes.

Son MCKINNIE LONG 2/, the Ferry Plantation on Roanoke River
and Negroes.

Son GEORGE WASHINGTON LONG 2/, the plantation whereon I now live after his mother's death or when he is 21.

Sons GEORGE 2/ & LEMUEL LONG 2/ the rest of my estate in Georgia.

Daughter MARTHA ELIZABETH LONG 2/, land etc...when she is of age.

Wife, MARY LONG, use of plantation & household goods along with the provisions to raise my 2 youngest children.

Executors: My wife MARY LONG & sons NICHOLAS LONG (JR.) 2/, LUNSFORD LONG 2/, RICHARD LONG 2/, and my son in law, BASSETT STITH.

Witnesses: P. Haile, William Walston, J.J. Pasteur, Peter Isbell.

end of will data.

Comments by Robert Hill: The Stuart Hall Hill papers show that the first wife of Col. Nicholas Long 1/ was Mary McKinnie but other sources say states the first wife was Mary Reynolds, who died in Virginia.

Having knowledge that the first wife had only one son, Gabriel Long 2/, and the fact that a McKinnie Long 2/ (8th child) was named in the will of Colonel Nicholas Long 1/, makes me inclined to believe that the first wife was Mary Reynolds and the second wife was Mary McKinnie.

Comments made by an un-named "lady genealogist in N.C."

Reference to the above will of Colonel Nicholas Long 1/: This will clearly shows that there were three different men named Nicholas Long. They were Nicholas Long Sr. 1/ (the one that made the above will and who's plantation was called "Quankey"); another one was his son Nicholas Long Jr. 2/, who is mentioned in the will of Col. Nicholas Long Jr. 2/ as a son and the one that married Rebecca Hill 5/, daughter of Richard Hill 4/ & Margery Gilliam of Surry/Sussex County, Virginia and the third one was the grandson named in the above will of Col. Nicholas Long 1/ and who was also named Nicholas Long 3/, the son of the deceased son Gabriel Long 2/ & his wife, Sarah or Mary Redmond, daughter of William Redmond.

By this will stating that the son Gabriel Long 2/ was

deceased, clearly shows that he died between 19th of June 1790 when he was the executor of a will and the 13th of June 1797, the date of his father's will. The widow, Sarah (Redmond) Long remarried to Rev. Shine. Gabriel Long 2/ & Sarah Redmond had 5 children, one son and four daughters. They were:

1. Nicholas Long 3/, m. a Miss Thomas and moved to Georgia.
2. Martha Elizabeth Long 3/, m. Joel King (1778-1863).
Joel King was the second child of the Reverend John King and Sally (Seawell) King, a daughter of Colonel Benjamin Seawell. Thus John King was a brother in law to Major Green Hill Jr. 5/, who had married Mary Seawell, a daughter of Col. Benjamin Seawell. Green Hill 5/ & Mary Seawell moved to Tennessee.
3. Mary Long 3/, m. Green Hill III 6/, son of Major Green Hill 5/ and 2nd wife Mary Seawell. Major Green Hill 5/ was a son of Green Hill 4/ & Grace Bennett.
4. a unknown daughter that married Jordan Thomas.
5. Rebecca Wesley Long 3/, m. Charles Applewhite Hill 6/, the son of Lt. William Hill 5 & Mary (Polly) Jones, who was the son of Green Hill 4/ & Grace Bennett.

In Franklin County, N.C. there is a will of a Benjamin Hill, dated 19th of June 1790 and probated in December of 1790. Gabriel Long 2/ along with a Robert Hill were named Executors. Some have claimed them to have been brother-in-laws but this is questionable. The explanation for this doubt is below in the next paragraph.

Some researchers have claimed this deceased Benjamin Hill to be the son of Thomas Hill Sr. 4/ & Sarah Etheridge of Halifax County but this is incorrect. The Benjamin Hill 5/ (son of Thomas Hill 4/) married Mary Wooten and they moved to Alabama. Benjamin Hill 5/ died in Alabama on the 28th of December ca. 1851.

Now Thomas Hill 4/ did have a son named Robert Hill 5/ and he also had a daughter named ANNA HILL 5/ that is believed to have been married to a MR. LONG 2/, who was probably a half brother of Gabriel Long 2/.

If the Robert Hill that signed as the executor of the above mentioned will of the deceased Benjamin Hill had been this Robert Hill 5/ then he would have been the brother in law to Gabriel Long 2/, the other executor, but a close examination of the will indicates it was Robert Hill, the son of the deceased Benjamin Hill that was the other executor, and thus was not the brother in law of Gabriel Long 2/.

In this particular will, Benjamin Hill named his sons as Benjamin Hill, Robert Hill, Thomas Hill, & Collier Hill, all of Franklin County, N.C.

This Benjamin Hill family is thought to be connected with the Bennett Hill 5/ family and Benjamin is suspected to have been a brother to William Bennett Hill 6/, son of Bennett Hill 5/, son of Green Hill 4/ & Grace Bennett.

RELATIONSHIPS OF THE HILL FAMILY TO EACH OTHER.

The family of Richard Hill 3/ & Hannah Briggs, of Surry County, Virginia figure in closely to the Long family. They were the parents to both Captain Richard Hill 4/, who married Margery Gilliam and Green Hill Sr. 4/, who married Grace Bennett.

Captain Richard Hill 4/ & Margery Gilliam had several children including a daughter named Rebecca Hill 5/, who married Nicholas Long Jr. 2/, the son of Colonel Nicholas Long Sr. 1/ of Quankey. So Richard Hill 3/ & Hannah (Briggs) Hill were therefore the paternal grand-parents of Rebecca Hill 5/ that married Nicholas Long Jr. 2/, the son of Col. Nicholas Long Sr. 1/ of Quankey.

The other son, Green Hill Sr. 4/, b. 1714, married Grace Bennett and had among their many children, two sons, Rev. Green Hill Jr. 5/ & William Hill 5/.

Rev. Green Hill Jr. 5/ had married twice and had several children, including a son named Green Hill the 3rd 6/ (6th generation, who married Mary Long 3/, a daughter of Gabriel Long 2/ & Sarah Redmond. Since Richard Hill 3/ & Hannah Briggs were the parents to Green Hill Sr. 4/, they were the paternal grandparents to both Rev. Green Hill Jr. 5/ & William Hill 5/ & the paternal great grandparents to all of the children of both Rev. Green Hill Jr. 5/ & Lt. William Hill 5/ & their brothers & sisters.

Thus Richard Hill 3/ & Hannah Briggs were the parents of Green Hill Sr. 4/, the paternal grandparents of Rev. Green Hill Jr. 5/ and all of his brothers & sisters and the paternal great grandparents to Green Hill 3rd 6/, who married Mary Long 3/, daughter of Gabriel Long 2/ & son of Col. Nicholas Long 1/ of Quankey. Richard Hill 3/ & Hannah Briggs were therefore the paternal great grandparents to all of the brothers & sisters of Green Hill III 6/.

Lt. William Hill 5/, son of Green Hill Sr. 4/ married Mary Polly Jones and had among their children a son named Charles Applewhite Hill 6/. Charles Applewhite Hill 6/ married Rebecca Wesley Long 3/, a daughter of Gabriel Long 2/ & Sarah Redmond.

Since Green Hill 4/ & Grace Bennett were the parents of Lt. William Hill 5/, they were also the the paternal grandparents to Charles Applewhite Hill 6/.

Now both Rev. Green Hill Jr. 5/ & William Hill 5/ were sons of Green Hill 4/, then William Hill 5/ was the "uncle" to the children of Green Hill the 3rd 6/, son of his brother Rev. Green Hill Jr. 5/. Since William Hill 5/ had children that included a son Charles Applewhite Hill 6/, then both he (Charles) and Green Hill the 3rd 6/ would be first cousins.

Now in Halifax County, N.C., Robert Hill 3/ (m. Tabitha --?) had several children, including a son Thomas Hill Sr. 4/. This Thomas Hill 4/ had a daughter named Anna Hill 5/ that seems to have married one of Col. Nicholas Long's 1/ sons.

Since Robert Hill 3/ & Richard Hill 3/ had the same parents and were brothers, all of their children would all be cousins to each other, so Green Hill Sr. 4/ & all of Robert Hill's 3/ children, including Thomas Hill Sr. 4/ were cousins. In turn, Rev. Green Hill Jr. 5/, son of Green Hill Sr. 4/, and Anna Hill 5/, daughter of Thomas Hill 4/, would appear to be 2nd cousins, as would all of Thomas Hill's 4/ children.

Then, Captain Richard Hill 4/ (son of Richard Hill 3/) was the "uncle" to both Rev. Green Hill Jr. 5/ & William Hill 5/.

OTHER RELATIONSHIPS.

Bennett-Hill-Ruffin Connections.

Captain William Bennett was born in Nansemond County, Virginia in 1690 and died in Northampton County, N.C. in 1765. He was married to Grace Van Courtland, a granddaughter of Stephanus Van Courtland, first Lord of the Manor of Courtlands by patent from William The 3rd in 1697, and the great granddaughter of Killam Van Rennsalaer, the Waldron who had much to do with the making of New Amsterdam (today's New York). (Ref: Boddie & Allied Families and Letter of W.W. Boddie of Kingtree, S.C. dated January 24th, 1929).

Captain Bennett was a member of the Northampton Footmen at the time of the Spanish Alarm and served in the Indian Wars of 1754 and 1755. (Ref: Colonial Records of N.C., Vol 4, Pages 262 & 273).

His daughters were Anne Bennett, who married Robert Ruffin 1/; Grace Bennett who married Green Hill Sr. 4/ and Mary Bennett, who married William Boddie.

Captain William Bennett's will was probated in Northampton County, N.C. in 1765 and mentions wife Grace, daughters: Ann Ruffin; Grace Hill; grandchildren Bennett Hill; William Ruffin; Nathan Boddie, William Boddie, & Willis Boddie. Not mentioned in the will was the daughter Mary Bennett, who had married William Boddie but her children were named (listed above). It is assumed that Mary Bennett was dead.

Hill-Ruffin-Bennett Connections.

Now meanwhile, up in Surry County, Virginia, Richard Hill 4/ (son of Richard Hill 3/ & Hannah Briggs) married Margery Gilliam and they had eleven children, including their eldest, a daughter named SARAH HILL 5/ and their 6th child, a son named THOMAS HILL 5/.

Sarah Hill 5/ was born in 1743 and died ca. 1813. In 1762 she married William Ruffin 2/ (1735-1781) the son of Robert Ruffin 1/ & Anne Bennett.

As previously stated, Robert Ruffin 1/ had married Anne Bennett, the daughter of Captain William Bennett. They had a daughter named Olive Ruffin 2/ that had married Robert Barrow (Ref: Letter from Stuart Smith of Scotland Neck, N.C. to Stuart Hill of New York, dated 8th August 1928).

Anne Ruffin 2/, another daughter of Robert Ruffin 1/ & Anne Bennett married Arthur Smith, son of Nicholas Smith of Scotland Neck, Halifax County, N.C.

A son, William Ruffin 2/ (1735-1781) married into the Hill family when he married Sarah Hill 5/, eldest child & daughter of Captain Richard Hill 4/ & Margery Gilliam. This means that this William Ruffin 2/ as well as his sisters, were the grandchildren of Captain William Bennett (on the maternal side of the family line).

Some of the known children of William Ruffin 2/ & Sarah Hill 5/ were:

1. Robert Ruffin 3/. 6th Hill generations
2. Hannah Ruffin 3/. "
3. Sally Ruffin 3/. "
4. Rebecca Ruffin 3/. "

After the death of William Ruffin 2/, his widow, Sarah (Hill) Ruffin married Captain James Smith. It is said that when Sarah (Hill) Ruffin married Captain James Smith, she was his fifth wife.

In the Register's Office in Halifax County, N.C., there is a deed of gift from Captain Smith to his wife Sarah of all of the Negroes she inherited from her husband William Ruffin 2/, also the stock, cattle, household and kitchen furniture as well as all arrears of rent due her from her said first husband, William Ruffin 2/.

The daughter of William Ruffin 2/ & Sarah Hill 5/, Hannah Ruffin 3/, married Marmaduke Norfleet, eldest child of Reuben Norfleet and his first wife, Lucy Smith, widow of

Thomas Langley and daughter of Captain James Smith.
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