

R.037 RESEARCH & INFORMATION ON SION HILLS AND ABNER HILLS
OF NORTH CAROLINA OR VIRGINIA.

Entered on 10th March 1993 by Robert R. Hill of Brandon, Fla.

Source for Information: Photo copies of documents sent to me
by Jerry R. Hill of Siler City, N.C. taken from N.C. Archives
in Raleigh and the Library in Chatham County, N.C.

Note: Chatham County, N.C. was created in 1771 from Orange
County, N.C.

ORANGE COUNTY, N.C. RECORDS, VOLUME V,

GRANVILLE PROPRIETARY LAND OFFICE

DEEDS & SURVEYS, 1752-1760

Number 315. 21st August 1759 GEORGE BOYD, Planter, (for)
ten shillings, in Orange County, In Parish of St. Mathew
(sic) lying on both sides of County Line Creek, begin at a
Hickory (tree), EAST crossing said creek 5 chains to a
Dogwood Tree, NORTH crossing the creek 40 chains to a White
Oak Tree, WEST 45 chains to a White Oak tree, SOUTH 40 chains
to a Black Oak Saplin on BOYD'S line, along said line EAST 40
Chains to first station, 180 acres, seven shillings two pence
half-penny rent per year, Surveyed for JOHN BOYD of Dan
River, 26th April 1755, William Grimes & Benjamin Grimes,
SCC. (SSLG 84-A) W. CHURTON, SURVEYOR.

Original Record shows Signed/ GEORGE BOYD JR.

William Lea
William Reed

(editor Note: See also N.C. Patent Book 14, Page 350).

My Comment: This seems to be a deed. The land obviously was
originally surveyed for John Boyd, who was probably the
father or brother to George Boyd. Since the deed was signed
by George Boyd Jr. he was probably a grandson to John Boyd.
Just speculation.

The reason for this entry is that John Boyd sold some land in
Chatham County, N.C., which originated from Orange County,
N.C. to a Sion Hill of Greenville County, Virginia.

Number 333. 15th July 1760 JOHN BOYD, Planter, ten
shillings, 630 acres in Orange County, Parish of St.
Matthew, on both sides of Little Troublesome (Creek?), begin

at a White Oak (tree) on the NORTH side of the creek, EAST 70 chains to a Hickory (tree) SOUTH 90 chains to a Hickory (tree), WEST crossing Little Troublesome 90 chins to first station, 630 acres, Twenty Five shillings two pence half penny rent per year, surveyed 23 September 1754, Giles Tillot & James Barnhill, (SCC. 84-A)

Signed/ JOHN BOYD

James Watson
Stephen Maret

Examined by Thomas Jones and W. Churton, Surveyor

Comments: This appears to have been a land grant to John Boyd who sold land to Sion Hill of Greenville County, Va. I suspect this was Sion Hill Jr 3/.

FOLLOWING TAKEN FROM "ORANGE COUNTY RECORDS, VOL VI GRANVILLE PROPRIETY LAND OFFICE, DEEDS & SURVEYS 1761-1763."

On Page 44 of the above Book:

Number 556. 2nd October 1761, JOHN BOYD, ten shillings, in Orange County, on SOUTH side of Deep River, begin at Duncan Bohannon's corner, Hickory (tree) by the river, along his line EAST crossing the bents (sic) of a branch 27 and 1/2 chains to a Pine (tree), SOUTH 51 and 1/2 chains to a Black Oak (tree), WEST 73 chains to a Black Oak (tree), NORTH 19 chains to 2 Hickories (trees) by the river, down (the) river to beginning, 300 acres, twelve shillings rent per year, surveyed 27th June 1761, Joseph Tailor & John Tailor, CC, (SSLG 84-B).

Signed/ JOHN BOYD

WITNESSES;

JAS. WATSON

JACOB WIMBERLY

JOSEPH FULLER CLERK OF COURT

Editor's Note: See Also N.C. Patent 14, Page 351.

Comments: Again this land grant was to John Boyd, who later sold some land to a Sion Hill of Greenville, Virginia. IT appears to me that Sion Hill purchased this land, both being located on south side of Deep River. I have put this in just in case that purchase was part of this land.

On Page 99 of the above Book:

Number 719 on 10th December 1762 Nathaniel Hart, planter, ten shillings, on Nats Fork of Country Line Creek, begin at a Post Oak (tree), WEST 70 chains crossing said fork to a White Oak (tree) on John Boyd's line, his line SOUTH 70 chains to a Post Oak (tree), NORTH 37 chains to first station, 259 acres,

ten shillings four pence half -penny rent per year, surveyed
16th June 1762, Richard Simpson & Thomas Hews SCC. (SSLG-91-
J).

Editor's Note: See also N.C. Patent Book 14, Page 423.

Comments: The above land was originally surveyed on the 16th
of June 1762, probably for John Boyd. This was put in due to
being adjacent to John Boyd's line and who sold some property
to a Sion Hill of Greenville County, Virginia.

CHATHAM COUNTY, N.C. DEED BETWEEN WILLIAM ADAMS SELLING LAND
TO ABNER HILL 4/, DATED 16TH NOVEMBER 1778.

THIS INDENTURE made the Sixteenth day of November in year of
Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Eight (16th
November 1778) between WILLIAM ADAMS, blacksmith, of Chatham
County and Province of North Carolina of the one part and
ABNER HILL of the said county & Province aforesaid of the
other part WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of the
sum of Forty Pounds Proclamation money to the said WILLIAM
ADAMS in hand, paid by the said ABNER HILL before the sealing
& delivery of these presents, hath granted, bargained, sold,
aliened, enforced, conveyed and confirmed unto the said ABNER
HILL, his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or parcel
of land situate lying and being in the County of Chatham &
Province aforesaid, on the South side of Cape Fear River &
corner of RICHARD BRASWELL'S line and runs thence with his
line SOUTH 70 (degrees?) WEST 26 chains to a Pine (tree)
thence with CAMPBELL'S line NORTH 27 EAST 45, 2 chains to
his corner Hickory (tree) on the bank of the river thence
down the river to the first station, containing in the hole
(sic) Eighty Two acres (82) of land which the said land was
(originally) granted to MACKIE WATSON & 6 (degree mark here,
not understood) by the right HONORABLE JOHN EARL of GRANVILLE
by deed dated the first day of January 1763 and by the said
MACHIE WATSON & (of?) 6 (district?) to the said WILLIAM ADAMS
and by him to the said ABNER HILL with the appurtenances,
situate lying and being aforesaid (sic) and the said WILLIAM
ADDAMS (sic(for himself, his heirs, executors and
administrators DOTH grant convey and set over all his right
and title to the said land and promises with all and singular
the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said ABNER
HILL In witnesseth whereof the said WILLIAM ADDAMS hath
hereunto set my hand and affixed his seal the day and year
first above written (16th November 1778).

Signed by/ WILLIAM ADAMS (LS)

Signed, sealed & Delivered in
the presents of

Test:

Burrell Williams Jr.

David Chapman

Chatham County February Court 1779

The within deed was proved in Open Court by Burrell Williams and ordered to be registered.

Signed by/ Hial Surlock (clerk)

Comments by Robert Hill: It is my "gut" feeling that this was Abner Hill 4/, son of Robert Hill 3/. He was earlier found to be in Edgecombe County, but his younger brother, William Hill Sr. 4/, also came to Chatham County ca. 1779. Also note that a witness was David Chapman, who had married Abner Hill's 4/ sister named Tabitha Hill 4/, and who's family also had moved into Chatham County, N.C.

No. 30D

County CHATHAM (N.C.)

Name ABNER HILL

Acres 591

Grant No. 431

Issued March 31, 1780

Warrant? Entry No. 413

Entered March 10, 1779

Book No. 32 Page No. 285

Location On Little Lick Creek the waters of Cape Fear
(river)

North Carolina)

Chatham County) By a Seal for 200 acres:

This plan represents a tract of land surveyed from (for?)

ABNER HILL on the Little Luck Creek, the waters of Cape Fear,

beginning at a Pine (tree) on the North side of said c and

running East across the said creek four hundred and twenty

eight pole to a Red Oak in Drake's line, then North up the

same One Hundred and Fifty Four Pole (Poles) to a Pine (tree)

in Mathisses (sic) line, then down said line South Seventy

Degrees West One Hundred and Twenty Six Poles to a Black Oak

(tree) at Mathisses (sic) corner, then along his line North

Twenty Five Degrees West Two Hundred & Thirteen Poles to a

White Oak Tree (across the said creek) in Hill's line, then

along said line South Seventy Poles West Ninety Poles to a

Spanish Oak (tree) in Leeas (sic) line, then along said line

South Twenty Degrees East Fourteen Poles to a Pine (tree) at

Leeas (sic) corner, then along his line West One Hundred &

Forty Poles to a Black Oak (tree) the South Two Hundred &

Sixty? Poles to the first station, Containing Five Hundred &

Ninety One Acres of land, which by virtue of a Warrant No.

413 was surveyed on 17th day of August Anno Donno 1779.

Rutherford (District Surveyor)

Chain carriers

Robert Hill

J. Awoley ?? (not clear)

Comments: This appears to be Abner Hill 4/, son of Robert

Hill 3/ and wife Tabitha. I suspect Robert Hill, the witness, was the son of Abner Hill's brother, Thomas Hill 4/ and wife Sarah Etheridge.

LAND DEED BETWEEN ABNER HILL & SARAH, HIS WIFE TO BENJAMIN WALKER OF BRUNSWICK COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

Chatham County Deeds, NO Book Listed, but on Page 258, dated 16th September 1786:

Abner Hill Sr. and Sarah, his wife of Chatham County, N.C. to Benjamin Walker Jr. of Brunswick County, Virginia-80 pounds Currency for 82 acres on the South side of Cape Fear River, joins (land of) Richard Braswell and Campbell's line, which said land was granted to McKie Watson & Company by the Honorable John Earl of Granville by deed dated 1st January 1763 and then by the said McKie Watson & Company to William Adams, and by the said William Adams to ABNER HILL and by the said ABNER HILL unto the said Benjamin Walker.

Signed by/ Abner (x) Hill
Sarah (x) Hill

Wits:
W. Hayes
Peter Thompson
J. Steed

Comments: Again, I think this was Abner Hill 4/, son of Robert Hill 3/ and his wife, Sarah Mathias. The witness J. Steed was the brother in law to Abner Hill 4/, having married Ann Hill 4/, sister to Abner Hill 4/. Do not get this Abner Hill 4/ confused with the Abner Hill of Greenville County, who was a son of a Sion Hill, who purchased land in Chatham County from a John Boyd. If Sion Hill of Greenville County, Virginia later proves (as I suspect) to be Sion Hill Jr. 3/ then the two Abner Hills would have been first cousins.

DEED OF ABNER HILL SR. OF CHATHAM COUNTY TO BENJAMIN WALKER OF BRUNSWICK COUNTY, VA. DATED 16 SEPTEMBER 1786.

ABNER HILL SR. of Chatham County, N.C. to Benjamin Walker of Brunswick County, Va., 10 pounds Currency, 295 and 1/2 acres on the North side of Little Lick Creek, land joins Isaac Matthews (Mathias?) to a white (bland) on the Manner Plantation on said Hill's line- and the said ABNER HILL SR. and Sarah, his wife---(ends abruptly).

Signed by/ Abner (x) Hill
Sarah (x) Hill

Wits:
W, Hayes
Peter Thompson

J. Steed

Comments: I think this was Abner Hill 4/ and his wife, Sarah Mathias. The term "Senior" could indicate he had a son Abner Jr. OR it just may be the fact that there was another Abner Hill in the area. Notice the witness named J. Steed.. he was brother in law to Abner Hill 4/, having married Abner's sister, Ann Hill 4/. Steed was originally from Brunswick Co., Va.

POWER OF ATTORNEY TO ABNER HILL OF GREENVILLE COUNTY, VIRGINIA BY ROBERT HICKS OF BRUNSWICK COUNTY, VA. DATED 8TH FEBRUARY 1790.

Brunswick County Deed Book 15, Page 6, Letter of Attorney:
I ROBERT HICKS of Brunswick County, Virginia have appointed ABNER HILL of Greenville County, Virginia my attorney... to receive any money or other property belonging or owing to my son HARRISON HICKS, deceased, of (blank) county South Carolina.. Dated 8th February 1790.

signed/ ROBERT HICKS

Witnesses: Lewis Hicks, Jno. Hicks, Binnis Jones
Proved 22nd November 1790 by oaths of George Hicks & Binnis Jones.

Comments: Note the concerned land was located in S.C. not N.C. This Abner Hill seems to have been the son of a Sion Hill of Greenville County, Virginia, possibly Sion Hill Jr.
3/.

INDENTURE BETWEEN JOHN BOYD & WILLIAM MORGAN ON 25TH JUNE 1791 IN CHATHAM COUNTY, N.C.

THIS INDENTURE made the Twenty Fourth of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety One between JOHN BOYD of Chatham County & state of North Carolina of the one part and WILLIAM MORGAN of Chatham & state aforesaid of the other part WITNESSETH that the said JOHN BOYD for and in consideration of the sum of Sixty Pounds 2 pence, to him in hand, paid to or before ensealing and delivery of these presents, the rest whereof is hereby acknowledged, have given granted bargained and sold aliened enforced (sic) (enforced?) and confirmed and by these presents do give grant bargain sell alien enforce (sic?) (Enforced?) make over and confirm unto the said WILLIAM MORGAN his heirs and assigns forever all that tract peace (sic) (piece?) or parcel of land lying and being in the county of Chatham on Hart's Creek, the waters of Bear Creek, beginning at a hickory (tree) on Presly Coxe's line (formerly Aaron Evan's) and running South one hundred and sixty perches (sic?) to a Spanish Oak (tree) thence West three hundred perches (sic) to a Pine (tree) then North one hundred & sixty perches (sic) to a Hickory (tree)

thence East three hundred perches (sic) to the beginning, containing three hundred acres of land and premises with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, sfssues (success?) and profits thereof and of every part and parcel thereof unto the said WILLIAM MORGAN his heirs and assigns forever and the said JOHN BOYD for himself and his heirs do convey and agree to and with the said WILLIAM MORGAN his heirs and assigns to warrant and forever defend the said land and premises and every part and parcel thereof from the lawful claiming and demands of all persons whatsoever claiming under him or them unto him the said WILLIAM MORGAN his heirs and assigns forever and to make or cause to be made such other or further conveyance or conveyances for the better serving or sure making the premises as the said WILLIAM MORGAN by his counsel learned in the laws shall reasonably devise advise or require IN WITNESS whereof the said JOHN BOYD have hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written. (25th June 1791).

JOHN BOYD (LS)

Signed sealed & delivered in
presence of
Richard Kennon
James Grimes

Chatham County, February Session 1793

This deed was duly proved in open court by the oath of Richard Kennon, subscribing witness & ordered to be registered

Test: John Ramsey, Clerk of Court

Comment: This was the same John Boyd who sold land to Sion Hill of Greenville County, Virginia. Said land appears to have been inherited by his son Abner Hill, who then sold the land. (see following deed).

CHATHAM COUNTY, N.C. DEED BETWEEN ABNER HILL OF VIRGINIA AND THOMAS STOKES OF CHATHAM COUNTY, N.C DATED 7TH DECEMBER 1794.

(Note: In the upper right hand corner was wrote the figures 385, but no book or page number was given).

THIS INDENTURE made the 7th of December 1794 between ABNER HILL of the Commonwealth of Virginia of the one part and THOMAS L. STOKES of the State of North Carolina and County of Chatham of the other part WITNESS that for and in consideration of the sum of One Thousand Dollars to me in hand, paid the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and myself there with fully satisfied and paid, have bargained sold and delivered and by these presents do bargain sell and deliver enforce and confirm unto THOMAS STOKES aforesaid one

certain tract or parcel of land lying on the South side of Deep Creek opposite to the lands of JOHN RAMSEY & JNO. MINTER and adjoining the lands of CHARLES MATTHEWS, FRANCIS DRAKE (a minor) of THOMAS STOKES aforesaid, containing three Hundred & Fifty Acres (350) more or less as more fully appear by A DEED OF CONVEYANCE MADE BY (left blank) TO SION HILL, MY FATHER, BEARING DATE (again left blank) OF (again left blank) TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the aforesaid tract or parcel of land free from all Incumbrances what so ever unto the aforesaid THOMAS STOKES his heirs and assigns forever and I ABNER HILL for myself my heirs, Executors & Administrators will warrant and forever defend unto the aforesaid THOMAS STOKES his heirs and assigns forever the aforesaid tract or parcel of land free and clear from all incumbrances what so ever IN WITNESS I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and date first above written (7th December 1794).

Signed by/ ABNER HILL (LS)

William Drake
Benjamin Buchannan
Hinchia Brewer

Chatham County, February Session 1795

This deed was duly proved in open court by the oath of Hinchia Brewer, a subscribing witness & order to be registered.

Test: John Ramsey, Clerk of Court

Comments by Robert Hill: A review of the above deed seems to show this was the same land that was granted to John Boyd on the 2nd of October 1761 (300 acres) on the south side of Deep River. I do not know why or understand why the name of the person selling to Sion Hill was omitted as well as the date of that transaction but it appears to have been sold by John Boyd to Sion Hill at some date after 1761. The date of that sale is very important. That would help us to pin down the death of Sion Hill and help us to determine if it were Sion Hill Jr. 3/. This is not the same Abner Hill 4/ who had a wife Sarah (Mathias?) and who lived in same county (Chatham Co., N.C.).

DEED BETWEEN ABNER HILL OF GREENVILLE COUNTY, VIRGINIA TO RICHARD BOHONNAN OF CHATHAM COUNTY, N.C. DATED 7TH MARCH 1796.

NORTH CAROLINA)
CHATHAM COUNTY)

THIS INDENTURE made this Seventh day of March in the year of our Lord Christ One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Six between ABNER HILL of Greenville County and Commonwealth of Virginia of the one part and RICHARD BOHANNON of Chatham County and state of North Carolina of the other part

WITNESS that for and in consideration of the sum of Two Hundred Dollars to me in hand, paid by the aforesaid RICHARD BOHANNON before the Sealing and Delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby Acknowledged and myself fully satisfied and paid, I ABNER HILL have bargained, sold, conveyed and delivered and by these presents doth bargain, sell, convey, settover (sic) and deliver unto RICHARD BOHANNON aforesaid, to his heirs and assigns forever one certain tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Chatham aforesaid and on the South side of Deep River, Beginning at a Hickory (tree) on the Banks of Deep River (adores?) RICHARD BOHANNON'S corner then by his line one hundred and twenty poles to a Pine (tree) his corner, the South Two Hundred & Twenty poles to a Red Oak (tree) in John Riddles' line, the West along his line Three Hundred and Twenty Poles to a Red Oak (Tree) at Riddle's corner, then North Sixty Poles to Two Hickorys (trees) on the Bank of Deep River, then down the various courses of said river to the beginning, containing Three Hundred and Forty Acres, be the same more or less, AS MAY MORE FULLY APPEAR BY A DEED ON CONVEYANCE MADE BY EARL OF GRANVILLE TO JOHN BOYD and by John Boyd to SION HILL, DECEASED, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the aforesaid land and premises together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining to his only proper benefit and his behoof, and I ABNER HILL for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators will warrant and forever defend the aforesaid described land and premises free and clear from all and every incumbrance what so ever until RICHARD BOHANNON his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns forever IN WITNESS I ABNER HILL hath hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal the day and date first above written (7th March 1796).

A. HILL (LS)

Signed Sealed & Delivered
in presence of
Thomas Stokes
Servan Taylor

Chatham County May Court Sessions 1796
The Execution of this Deed was duly proved in Open Court &
Ordered to be Registered.

Test: John Ramsey, Clerk of Court

Comments: This land seems to be the same land, or at least part of it, that was granted to John Boyd on the 2nd of October 1761, located on the south side of Deep River in Chatham County, N.C. The original grant was for 300 acres but the above deed says 340 acres, which does cast some thoughts that other land was involved somehow. I believe the Sion Hill mentioned in this deed was Sion Hill Jr 3/, who died ca. 1766.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, CHATHAM COUNTY, GRANT TO WILLIAM HILL 4/.

NO. 376

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS, KNOW YE that WE for and in consideration of the sum of Fifty Shillings for every hundred acres, hereby granted into our treasury by WILLIAM HILL, have given and granted and by these presents do give and grant unto the said WILLIAM HILL a tract of land containing One Hundred acres (of land) lying and being in Our county of Chatham, on the waters of Rockey River, beginning at MATHIAS RAMSEY's corner, thence NORTH one hundred poles to a corner post, thence EAST one hundred and sixty poles to a Hickory (tree) thence SOUTH to the said RAMSEY'S line, thence up the said line to the first station by the plat herein to annexed doth appear together with all woods, waters, mines, minerals, hereditaments, and appurtenances to the said land belonging or appertaining to hold to the said WILLIAM HILL his heirs and assigns forever, yielding and paying to us such sums of money yearly or otherwise as our General Assembly from time to time may direct PROVIDED ALWAYS that the said WILLIAM HILL shall waiver this grant to be registered in the REGISTER'S OFFICE of our said county of Chatham within twelve months from the date hereof, otherwise the same shall be void and of no effect.

IN TESTIMONY whereof we have caused our great seal to be hereunto affixed WITNESS RICHARD CASWELL ESQUIRE Our Governor, Captain General and Commander in Chief at KINGSTON the Thirty First day of March in the Fourth year of our Independence and in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred & Eighty. (31st March 1780).

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND
WILLIAM SHEPPARD DUKE & RICHARD (GREAT SEAL) CASWELL

Comments by Robert Hill: This was obviously a land grant to a William Hill, who I suspect was William Hill Sr. 4/, son of Robert Hill 3/ and brother to Abner Hill 4/.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, STATE GRANT TO ABNER HILL DATED 1ST APRIL 1780.

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS, Know ye that we, for and in consideration of the sum of Fifty Shillings for every hundred acres (of land) hereby granted, paid into our treasury by ABNER HILL, have granted and by these presents do give and grant unto the said ABNER HILL a tract of land containing Five Hundred & Ninety One Acres, lying and being in our county of Chatham on Little Lick Creek, waters of Cape Fear (river?) beginning at a Pine

(tree) on the NORTH side of said creek and turning EAST across the said creek four hundred & twenty eight poles to a Red Oak (tree) in DRAKE'S line thence NORTH up the same one hundred & fifty four poles to a Pine (tree) on MATTHEW'S line thence down said line SOUTH seventy degrees WEST one hundred and twenty six poles to a Black Oak (tree) at MATTHEW'S corner, thence along his line NORTH seventy five degrees WEST two hundred and thirteen poles to a White Oak (tree), across the said creek, in HILL'S line, thence along said line SOUTH twenty degrees WEST ninety poles to a Spanish Oak (tree) in DIEASE'S ?? line, thence along said line SOUTH twenty degrees EAST fourteen poles to a Pine (tree) at SEAR'S corner, thence along his line WEST one hundred and forty poles to a Black Oak (tree), thence SOUTH two hundred and sixty poles to the first station, as by the plat hereunto annexed doth appears in Register's (office) with all woods, waters, mines, minerals, hereditaments and appurtenances to the said land belonging or appertaining to hold to the said ABNER HILL, his heirs and assigns forever, yielding and paying to us such sums of money yearly or otherwise as our General Assembly from time to time may direct PROVIDED ALWAYS that the said ABNER HILL shall cause this grant to be registered in the Reigster's Office of our said county of Chatham within Twelve Months from the date hereof OTHERWISE the same shall be void and of no effect. IN WITNESS whereof We have caused our great seal to be hereunto affixed WITNESS RICHARD CASWELL ESQ. Our Governor Captain General and Commander in Chief at Kingston, the First day of April in the fourth year of our Independence and in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty (1st April 1780).

By His Excellency's Command
William Sheppard Duke & Richard (great seal) Caswell

Comments: I am of the opinion that this was ABNER HILL 4/, a son of Robert Hill 3/ and a brother to the above William Hill 4/. It seems to me that Abner Hill 4/ was moving from Edgecombe County, N.C. to Chatham County. Remember, brother William Hill 4/ and sisters Tabitha Hill 4/, Agnes Hill 4/ are all known to have moved into Chatham County along with their husbands and families.

ANOTHER CHATHAM COUNTY N.C. DEED BETWEEN ABNER HILL SENIOR OF CHATHAM COUNTY, N.C. AND BENJAMIN WALKER JR. OF BRUNSWICK COUNTY, VIRGINIA DATED ELEVENTH? (QUESTIONABLE) SEPTEMBER 1780.

THIS INDENTURE made the eleventh day of September in the year of our Lord One Thousand Sevebn Hundred and Eighty between ABNER HILL SENIOR of the county of Chatham and state of North Carolina and BENJAMIN WALKER JR. of Brunswick County in the state of Virginia of the other part WITNESSETH that and for an in consideration of the said BENJAMIN WALKER before the

sealing and delivery of these presents hath granted bargained and sold conveyed and confirmed unto the said BENJAMIN WALKER JUNIOR his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the county of Chatham and state aforesaid on the South side of Cape Fear River and running on the said river (viz) and containing by estimation Three Hundred and Twenty Acres and bounded as such: Beginning on the South West Side of the North West Branch of Cape Fear River, beginning at a Spanish Oak (tree) on the river bank against the upper end of Long Island thence South Seventy degrees East 56 3/4 to (a) stake, thence North 70 degrees East 65 1/2 chains to a stake, thence to the first station, containing in the whole three hundred and twenty acres of land TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said land with all the appurtenances and privileges to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining to the said BENJAMIN WALKER his heirs and assigns forever to his and their proper use and behoof and I the said ABNER HIL and SARAH HIS WIFE, for me and my heirs, executors administrators do convant promise and grant to and with the said BENJAMIN WALKER his heirs and assigns that before the sealing hereof and a true sale and lawful owner of the above bargained premises and am lawfully siezed and possessed of the same in one proper right as a good perfect and absolute estate if Inheritance in fee simple and I have in my self good right full power and lawful authority to grant bargain sell convey and confirm the said bargained premises in manner as above. The said BENJAMIN WALKER his heirs and assigns shall may from time to time and at all times forever hereafter by force and virtue of these presents lawfully and peacably and quietly have hold use occupy and enjoy the said bargained premises as with the appurtenus free and clear against any gifts, grants, bargains, sales, (services?) mortgages, wills, initails, jointers, couriers, judgements, executions, incumberances and I the said ABNER HILL and SARAH, his wife, for myself, my heirs, EXecutors & administrators do convant and engage the above (promised?) premises to him the said BENJAMIN WALKER his heirs and assigns forever as WITNESS whereof I the said ABNER HILL and SARAH, his wife, have hereunto set our hands and seals this day and year above written.

Signed, Sealed & Delivered ABNER (A) HILL
in the presence of his mark
Wm. Hayes SARAH (S) HILL
Peter Thompson her mark

A tested:
Chatham County May Term 1787
This deed was duly proved in open court by the oath of Peter Thompson, one of the subscribing witnesses & orderd to be registered.

Test: JOHN RAMSEY (Clerk of Court).

Comments: I think that this was Abner Hill 4/ and his wife

Sarah Mathias, he being the son of Robert Hill 3/.

ABSTRACTED DEEDS REGARDING ABNER HILL OF EDGECOMBE COUNTY,
N.C.

Nash County Deed Book 2, Page 30, Dated 1st August 1762

(This is in error, Nash County was not formed until 1777 from
Edgecombe County, so this must be Edgecombe County Deed Book
2, Page 30:

Earl of Granville grant to Abner Hill 4/, of Edgecombe
County, 555 acres adjoining tract where he thn lived and
William Laseter (Lassiter).

Comments by Robert Hill: This was Abner Hill 4/, son of
Robert Hill 3/, receiving a land grant.

This said Nash County but has to be Edgecombe County Deed
Book 2, Page 10, dated 30th December 17--? (was cut off).
Nash County was not formed until 1777 from Edgecombe County.

Earl of Granville to William McGee of Edgecombe County, 377
acres adjoining Abner Hill 4/.

Comments: Date of this was cut off, but this was probably
Abner Hill 4/, son of Robert Hill 3/.

Edgecombe County Deed Book OO, Page 311 dated (copier had no
date on this)

Abner Hill 4/, planter of Edgecombe County to James Mathias
of Edgecombe County (deed was unreadable on micro film)

Edgecombe County Deed Book C, Page 206, dated 18th January
1764.

William McGee of Edgecombe County to Abner Hill 4/---? who
ever copied this did not finish the deed...

Signed/ Wm. McGee

Wits:

Nathan Boddie

Luke Pryor Jr.

Thomas Hardyman

Comments: This appears to have been Abner Hill 4/, son of
Robert Hill 3/.

Edgecombe County Deed Book C, Page 412, dated 20th May 1766
Abner Hill of Ornage County to William Andrewe of Edgecombe
County, 200 acres North side of Turkey Creek.

Signed/ Abner (A) Hill
his mark

Wits:

Cornelius Taylor
Charles Brittan
Wm. Ross

Comments: I do not think this was the son of Robert Hill 3/
but instead think he was the Abner Hill of Greenville County,
who had come into Ornage County, which later became Chatham
County. In the 1780s, Abner Hill of Chatham County, stated
his father was Sion Hill of Greenville County, Virginia.

Edgecombe County Deed Book C, Page 416, dated 20th May 1766

Abner Hill to William Ross, 28 acres on North side of Turkey
Creek.

Signed/ Abner (x) Hill
his mark

Wits:

William Andrews
Cornelius Taylor
Charles Brittan

Comments: Based on the fact this this deed was made the same
day as the above with the same witnesses, I think this was
Abner Hill, originally of Virginia, and not the son of Robert
Hill 3/. We must be careful because we seem to be dealing
with two Abner Hills.

Nash County, N.C. Deed Book 1, Page 19 dated 26th Oct. 1775

Newit Atkinson of Edgecombe County to Edward Moore of
Edgecombe County, 150 acres on Spring Branch and the creek,
it being part of a tract of land granted to Abner Hill and
conveyed by him to James Mathias on 23rd May 1761.

Wits:

William Taylor & Mark Cooper.

Comments by Robert Hill: Now this Abner Hill seems to have
been the son of Robert Hill 3/. Another clue is that a Abner
Hill married Charlotte Atkinson in Johnston County, N.C. but
I suspect that was not Abner Hill 4/, the son of Robert Hill
3/.

?? Nash County, (Edgecombe County) N.C. Deed Book 1, Page 25,
dated 2nd January 1776

William Andrews of Edgecombe County to John Linsey of
Edgecombe County, 100 acres adjoining Tucker's land, it being
part of a tract that was granted to Abner Hill on 1st August
1762.

Signed/ Wm. Andrews

Wits:

Walter Brne?

Henry Barnes

John Andrewe

Coments by Robert Hill: This was probably Abner Hill 4/, son
of Robert Hill 3/. I wonder if this was a Edgecombe County
Deed because Nash County was not formed from Edgecombe County
until 1777, a year later.

Nash County Deed Book 1, Page 26 dated 4th December 1777

Thomas Tucker sells 100 acres of land to Benjamin Tucker for
70 pounds, 13 shillings, 4 pence, located on Peachtree Creek,
adjoining a tract of land granted to Abner Hill 4/.

Signed by Thomas Tucker

Wits:

William Linsey

James Moore

William Denton

Comments: Again, this appears to have been Abner Hill 4/, a
son of Robert Hill 3/. This deed may very well be a Nash
County deed as it was formed in 1777 from Edgecombe County.
It is likely that this land was once in Edgecombe County but
now fell into the new county of Nash.

CHATHAM COUNTY N.C. 12th November 1781

Abner Hill resigned as a Justice. Thomas Hill presiding
Justice.

Comments by Robert Hill: I am of the opinion that this is
the same Abner Hill that stated he was a son of a Sion Hill,
both of Greenville County, Virginia, and who was married to
Sarah (Mathias?).

THE FOLLOWING MARRIAGE IS THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN IN CHATHAM
COUNTY, (IT WAS NOT LISTED).

21 December 1796, John Green married Judith Mabry, Abner Hill
Security. Married by Rev. William Andrews.

LAND GRANTS & DEEDS TO ABNER HILL 4/, SON OF ROBERT HILL 3/.
Information provided to me by Jerry R. Hill of Chatham
County, N.C.

Nash County Deed Book 2, Page 30, Dated 1st August 1762
Earl Granville grants to ABNER HILL of Edgecombe County, N.C.
555 acres adjoining a tract where he then lived and also
adjacent to William Lassiter.

Comments: Nash County was created from Edgecombe County in
1777. This land grant was made to Abner Hill 4/, son of
Robert Hill 3/ and wife Tabitha. It helps to locate where he
was living at this time.

Nash County ?? Deed Book 2, Page 10 Dated 30th Dec. 176-?

Earl Granville grants 377 acres to William McGee of Edgecombe
County, land adjacent to Abner Hill.

Comments: McGee sells this land to Abner Hill 4/ (son of
Robert Hill 3/) in deed below b

Edgecombe County Deed Book C, Page 206 Dated 18 January
1764.

William McGee of Edgecombe County to Abner Hill of Edgecombe
County, 370 acres adjacent to Abner Hill's line.

Signed/ William (x) McGee

Wits:

Nathan Boddie

Luke Pryor Jr.

Thomas Hardyman

Comments: This was Abner Hill 4/, son of Robert Hill 3/. It
shows that Abner Hill 4/ lived in Edgecombe County, as did
his parents, his brothers Sion Hill 4/; Green Hill 4/ and
William Hill Sr. 4/.

Edgecombe County Deed Book C, Page 416. Dated 20 May 1766

Abner Hill to William Ross 28 acres on north side of Turkey
Creek

Signed/ Abner Hill

Wits:

Wm. Andrews

Cornelius Taylor

Charles Brittan

Comments: This was Abner Hill 4/, son of Robert Hill 3/.

Edgecombe County Deed Book C, Page 412 20th May 1766

Abner Hill of Orange County, N.C. to William Andrewe (sic) of
Edgecombe County, 200 acres on north side of Turkey Creek.
Signed/ Abner Hill

Wits:
Cornelius Taylor
Charles Brittan
Wm. Ross

Comments: Note in the text that Abner Hill was of Orange
County, N.C. Chatham County was created from Orange County
in 1771. I suspect this was Abner Hill 4/, son of Robert
Hill 3/ who later had a wife named Sarah (Mathias?) and who
lived in Chatham County. I question this deed book as being
Edgecombe County Deed Book but suspect it was Orange County
Deed Book.

Edgecombe County Deed Book OO, Page 311. No date given.

Abner Hill, planter of Edgecombe County to James Mathias of
Edgecombe County --- Rest of deed on micro film was
unreadable.

Signed/ Abner Hill

Comments: I am sure this was the same Abner Hill 4/, son of
Robert Hill 3/.

NASH COUNTY, NC. DEEDS. CREATED FROM EDGECOMBE COUNTY IN
1777

Deed Book 1, Page 19 Dated 26th October 1775

Newit Atkinson of Edgecombe County to Edward Moore of
Edgecombe County for 100 LBS proclamation money, 150 acres on
Spring Branch and the creek, it being part of a tract of land
granted to ABNER HILL and conveyed by him to JAMES MATHIAS on
23rd May 1761.

Wits;
Wilson Taylor
Mark Cooper

Comments: Abner Hill 4/ son of Robert Hill 3. once owned
this land and sold it to James Mathias, who may have been his
brother in law.

Nash County Deed Book 1, Page 25 dated 2nd January 1776

William Andrews of Edgecombe County to John Linsey of
Edgecombe County for 12 LBS proclamation money, 100 acres of
land adjoining Tucker (Tucker's land?), it being part of a
tract granted to Abner Hill on 1 August 1862?? (1762)
signed/ Wm. Andrews

Wits:

Walter Bruce
Henry Barnes
John Andrews

Comments: This was Abner Hill 4/, son of Robert Hill 3/.

Nash County Deed Book 1, Page 26 Dated 4 December 1777

Thomas Tucker to Benjamin Tucker for 70 LBS, 13 Shillings, 4
pence proclamation money, 100 acres on Little Peachtree
Creek, adjoining William Lassiter's land, the road, and James
Moore's land, it being a tract granted to Abner Hill.
signed/ Thomas Tucker

Wits:

Wm. Linsey
James Moore
Wm. Denton

Comments: This was Abner Hill 4/, son of Robert Hill 3/.

SOME MARRIAGES OF ABNER HILLS OF NORTH CAROLINA

Source: LDS Church Files

1. Abner Hill to Charlotte Adkinsonn, 2 November 1793 in
Johnson County, N.C.
2. Abner Hill to Nancy Cross, 16 July 1801 in Wake Co., NC
3. Abner Hill to Anney Ingram, 21 May 1818 in Burke Co., NC
4. Abner Hill to Lytha Liverman, 2 June 1836 in Tyrrel Co.,
NC.

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