

R.086 LAND GRANTS, DEEDS FOR HILL FAMILY OF SURRY,
GUILFORD, STOKES & ROCKINGHAM COUNTIES OF NORTH
CAROLINA

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of Beaverton, Oregon; Research Information in 1990 by Mr.
Jeff Bradley, some of my own research on the Hill families
of Va., N.C. and Ga.

Explanation: Surry County, N.C. was obviously populated
with more than one William Hill and also others with the Hill
name.

Surry County, N.C. was created in 1771 from Rowan County.
Also, in 1771, Guilford County, N.C., another location of
several Hills, was created from Orange and Rowan Counties.
In 1785, Guilford County was split and Rockingham County was
created.

Surry, Guilford and Rockingham counties of N.C. was the home
of several Hill families. Much confusion has arisen over the
different William Hills and this document is an attempt to
help indentify them.

Surry County, N.C. Deeds do show that there was a William
Hill of Surry County who had sons named Thomas Hill; John
Hill; James Hill; Jacob Hill (see below).

THIS IS THE GENEALOGY OF WILLIAM HILL SR. 1/ OF CAROLINE
COUNTY, VA. WHO MARRIED SUSANNAH SMITHER AND WHO MOVED TO
SURRY COUNTY, N.C. (HE IS NOT RELATED TO SION HILL JR. 3/
(AS CLAIMED BY SOME) NOR IS HE RELATED TO THAT PARTICULAR
HILL FAMILY LINE OF ISLE OF WIGHT & SURRY COUNTY, VIRGINIA AS
CLAIMED BY SOME.

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considerable information provided by Mrs. L. Winifred Jacob
of Beaverton, Or.; Bits & Pieces of information sent by
various researchers; Southside Virginia Families by Boddie;
Southerland Family by Voorhees (1931) and the book East Goes
West by Craft (Nov. 1984).

Background Notes: This William Hill Sr. has been identified by many researchers as being the same William Hill 4/ that is often listed as the son of Sion Hill Jr. 3/ of the Surry County, Virginia Hill Family. There are many researchers, including this compiler, that does not believe this is correct and feels that there is ABSOLUTELY no connection between the two Hill families what so ever. This compiler agrees with Mr. Felix Earle Luck of New Jersey (and others) who also are disbelievers of this connection.

WILLIAM HILL SR. 1/ (FIRST KNOWN GENERATION).

WILLIAM HILL SR. 1/ (1710-1787) has been said by many researchers to be the son of Sion Hill Jr. 3/ of the Surry County, Virginia Hill line. This compiler disputes that claim and feels that he is in no way related to that Hill lineage of Isle of Wight, Surry County or Sussex County, Virginia. Others say his father was another William Hill (wife Ann) who's origins were in Maryland.

William Hill Sr. 1/ is said to have been born in Caroline County, Virginia ca. 1700-1710, moved his family to Surry County, N.C. He had several sons who fought in the American Revolution from N.C. and in their applications to received benefits for their service, stated they were born in Caroline County, Va, and arrived in N.C. about 1779, indicating this was probably when William Hill Sr. 1/ first came to N.C.. Surry County records shows he arrived earlier, about 1775.

Following taken from book entitled: Abstracted Wills for "Surry County, N.C. Wills 1771-1827," by Jo White Linn.

1. In Surry County Will Book I, Page 69a, there is a will of Abraham Jones, dated 14 February 1775 that was witnessed by a William Hill.
2. Another will is for a Marshall Duncan Sr., dated 26th August 1776 found in Surry Co. Will Book I, Page 74 where it was witnessed by a William Hill and also proved by him.
3. Surry County Will Book I, Page 122a, dated 23 December 1777 is a will for Benjamin Panniel, which was witnessed by both William Hill and Robert Hill, probably the father and son.
4. Surry County Will Book I, Page 127a, dated February Court 1779 Inventory of Estate of Isaac Gartrison, deceased, mentions a 1782 tax list showing 700 acres in Captain Hill's District.

End of Abstracted Surry County, N.C. Wills

I think these wills of Surry County, N.C., clearly shows that this William Hill Sr. 1/ moved his family to N.C. earlier

than what his sons had indicated and shows he was probably present as early as February of 1775.

William Hill Sr. 1/ died in Surry County, N.C. in 1787. In Surry County Will Book 2, Page 120, dated 14 May 1787, is a return on the estate of William Hill Sr. 1/, made by his two sons, Robert Hill 2/ and Dan (Daniel) Hill 2/. of His wife was Susannah Smither (Smithers) (1716-?) probably the daughter of Thomas Smither and Susanna Singleton of Gloucester County, Va.

children: (2nd generation)

I. Reverend William Hill Jr. 2/, (1737-29th September 1792) died in Rockingham County, N.C. He was a Revolutionary Soldier, and was born in Caroline County, Virginia. He married in January of 1758 to Hannah Elizabeth Halbert, probably in Caroline County, Virginia. After his death, in 1792, she remarried to John Glenn Jr. of Rockingham County, N.C. (See her petition later).

Children:

- A. Thomas Hill 3/, eldest son of Rev. William Hill Jr. 2/, was born on 22nd of December 1759 near Dan River, Rowan County, N.C. (Note: His Rev. War Application (W-1606) states birth was in Guilford County, but Guilford was not created until 1771. The location is in present day Rockingham County) He died on 5th April 1849 in White County, Tennessee, where both he and his wife are buried in the Anderson Cemetery. He married Catherine Shropshire on the 17th of July 1783 in Guilford County, N.C. She was daughter of Winkfield Shropshire & 2nd wife, Jane Jones. Catherine was born in September 1760, Rowan County, N.C. and died on the 14th of February 1854 in White County, Tennessee. He was a Revolutionary Soldier and received a pension (#W-1606)
- i. Elijah Hill 4/, b. 22nd April 1784 Guilford Co., N.C. (now Rockingham Co.), he d. 25 October 1854 in Van Buren County, Tenn. & buried in Laurel Creek Cemetery. He m. Sarah Cummings, b. 2 April 1784 Henry Co., Va.-d. 5 October 1854 Van Buren Co., Tenn.
 - ii. James Hill 4/, b. 1786 Guilford Co., N.C. & d. 6 December 1841 White Co., Tenn.
 - iii. Abner Hill 4/, b. 20 August 1788 Rockingham Co., N.C., d. after 1861 in Texas. He m. 1st in December of 1806 to Sarah Bartlett, who d. 8 December 1808; 2nd marriage to Katherine Cotton on 10 September 1809 in White Co., Tenn.; 3rd marriage to Nancy Matthews. He was for a time a circuit rider Campbellite preacher.

- iv. William J. Hill 4/, b. 1790 in N.C. & m. Sallie Cotton.
 - v. Jane Hill 4/, b. 1791 or 1796 in Greene County, GA., d. ca. 1815 & married Robert Patrick Bates, Franklin Co., Ala.
 - vi. Winkfield Hill 4/, b. 27 February 1792 Greene Co., GA., d. 8 August 1851 White Co., Tenn. He m. Martha (Patsy) Anderson, b. 1798 in Tenn. & d. on 3rd August 1851 in Tenn.
 - vii. Hannah Hill 4/, b. 13th February 1796 Greene Co., GA., she d. 19 January 1837 & m. Ezekiel Bates.
 - viii. Cynthia Hill 4/, b. 4 December 1799 in Greene Co., GA., d. near Nashville, Tenn. She m. in August 1816/17 at Sparta, Tenn. to Gillington Chisholm (1796-31 March 1872).
 - ix. Thomas Hill 4/, b. 1804 Greene Co., GA., m. Martha----?
- B. William Hill 3/ born in Surry (today's Stokes) County, N.C. on 25th September 1773, died 29th September 1857 in Raleigh, N.C. He married Sarah Geddy on 1st January 1803. She died, on 14th February 1833. He was Secretary of State for forty years (1818-1850). He married 2nd time to Frances (Conners) Blount, no children.
- C. John Hill 3/, is not mentioned in the will of William Hill 1/ and he is thought to be son of Rev. William Hill Jr. 2/ (as is listed here). He moved to Tennessee. Wife was Obedience Cullom (or Cullom). Had a son Gershon Hill 4/.
- D. James Hill 3/, m. Nancy Royalty.
- E. Green Hill 3/, married Nancy Mitchell, daughter of Gabriel and Elizabeth (Geddy) Mitchell. He was the grandfather to the Reverend Thomas Bains.
- F. Cynthia Hill 3/. married ___Crawford. Children were: Cynthia Hill 4/, Cyrus King Hill 4/ and Julia Hill 4/, who m. Senator John Hill 3/ of the Robert Hill-Martha Halbert lineage. (see below).
- G. Martha Hill 3/ married a Mr. Osborne, no children.
- H. Frances (Franky) Hill 3/, married Major Mark Hardin Jr. of N.C., children were Lauriston Bonaparte Hardin 4/, John Hardin 4/, Pleasant Hardin & William Hill Hardin 4/, m. Maria Hill of the Brunswick County, N.C. Hills and the Hills of Boston, Mass.
- I. Mary Hill 3/, married Osburn Childress. Their daughter Minerva Hill Childress married Giles A. Reynolds, who's daughter Medors (sic) married Charles T. Robinson and had a daughter Caroline, who married a Mr. Cook.
- J. Elizabeth Hill 3/, born in Caroline County, Virginia on 18th of September 1747, died 6th of November 1836 in Belton, Anderson Co., S.C. She

married in June of 1765 to William Anson Halbert in Virginia, who was the son of Joel and Elizabeth (Jones) Halbert, who was born in 1744 in Virginia and who died near Belton, S.C. in 1808.

- II. Thomas Smithers Hill 2/ b. Caroline Co., Va in 1739, died 1825 in Surry Co., N.C., married Susannah Mosley, daughter of Westley Mosley (Ref: Mosely's Will in Surry Co., N.C. Book 3, Page 149, dated 1821). He has often been mixed up with the Thomas Hill 3/, son Rev. William Hill Jr. 2/, his older brother. His children were: Lewis 3/; Jesse 3/; Thomas 3/; Talitha (Tabitha?) 3/; Sarah 3/; Rhody 3/; Rachel 3/; and Elizabeth 3/ m. Stoddard.
- III. Elizabeth Hill 2/, b. Caroline Co., Va. on 18 September 1747, d. 6th November 1836 at Belton, Anderson Co., S.C. 1836. She married in June of 1765 to William Anson Halbert (1744-28 December 1808), who was born in Essex County, Va. He died in Anderson Co., S.C. and they had thirteen (13) children. They both are buried on their home site three miles south of Big Creek Church, located between Toney Creek & Broadmouth, not far from Calhoun, S.C. The husband was son of Joel Halbert & Elizabeth Frances Jones. William was a staunch Wig during the Revolution and served as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Henry Co., Militia 1779-1780.
- A. Joel Halbert 3/, b. 13 June 1765 or 1769 in Caroline County, Va. He d. on 24th June 1848, St Mary's, Hancock County, Illinois and was buried in St Mary's Churchyard. He m. Mary Lindsey, b. 26 August 1772 and she d. 22 July 1839 near Shoals, Martin Co., Illinois. He served with Andrew Jackson in war of 1812 and had 12 children.
- B. Martha Halbert 3/ was born 17 March 1771/2 and died on 12 June 1810 in Pickens County, N.C. Another source says she d. on 13 November 1854). She m. John Gresham Jr. on 13 November 1788 in Anderson County, S.C. Their first child was Joseph Gresham 4/, b. 17 November 1789, m. Nancy Wyatt. Joseph's third child was Elizabeth Gresham 5/ (1826-1896) m. Joseph Emerson Brown in 1847 and were the parents to Sally Eugenia Brown, who was the great granddaughter of Elizabeth Hill & William Halbert.
- C. John Halbert 3/, b. 6 January or 11th of October 1773 in Virginia. He lived in S.C. & then ca. 1818 moved to Mississippi. He d. on 7 July 1854 on his plantation near Columbus, Lowndes County, Mississippi. He served several years in the S.C. Legislature and m. Margaret Harper ca. 1795. She d. 8 October 1842. They had twelve children.
- D. Enos Halbert 3/, b. 6 January 1775 in Virginia or N.C., he d. in 1833/34. He lived in Anderson Co.,

S.C. but moved to Tennessee where in 1786 or 1788 he m. Lucy (Nancy) Garner, daughter of Thomas Garner & Susannah--? After her death he married 2nd time to Rebecca Harper of N.C. who died on 16 May 1773 in Wilson Co., Tenn.

- E. Arthur Halbert 3/, b. 17 February 1777 in Va., d. ca. 1806. He m. in 1797 to Elizabeth Cobb. They had four children.
- F. James Ira Halbert 3/, b. 8 September 1778, d. ca. 1860. He m. in 1798 to Fanny Pepper (b. 1782-). About 1814 they moved to St. Francis County, Missouri and later to Steelville, Crawford County, Missouri. They had eleven children.
- G. Susannah Halbert 3/, b. 29 August 1780 and died in 1868 in Anderson County, S.C. She married Peter Acker Jr. and they had nine children. After her father died, her mother lived with Susannah. Question is, was Susannah named after her grandmother Susannah Smither?
- H. Frances Halbert 3/, b. 30 May 1782/83 and died in 1857. She married about 1805 to James Charles Garrison (1774-1864). They lived in South Carolina and had thirteen children.
- I. William Anson Halbert Jr. 3/, b. 17 May 1784, married Elizabeth Bowen and they had eight children. She died after 1828 and William remarried to Rachel Lindsey Cooper and they had four children.
- J. Joshua Lucius Halbert 3/, b. 4 October 1785, d. 1842, in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama. He married Sarah Bowles and they had a son that died in infancy. After Sarah's death, he then married Matila Nash, b. 4 June 1793 and had seven children.
- K. Elizabeth Halbert 3/, b. 6 January 1788, Anderson County, S.C.. She married on 30 May 1805 to William Berry, b. 17 August 1780 in S.C. He d. 14 June 1858 in Mississippi. He was son of Hudson Berry and Sarah Anthony. Elizabeth & William Berry had eleven children.
- L. Mary Halbert 3/, b. 10 April 1791 in South Carolina, died 1872. She married John Sterling Sherrill (1784-1855). They were parents of four children. They moved to Missouri.
- M. Lucinda Halbert 3/, b. 16 January 1793 in Anderson County, S.C., d. in Mississippi and married David Berry, b. 30 August 1789. They had thirteen children.

Note: Source for the Halbert Family from Boddie's Historical Southern Families, Vol. 9, Pages 191-217 and Southside Virginia Families, Vol 1, pages 227-331; Waddell's Joel Halbert.

IV. Captain Robert Hill 2/, Revolutionary Soldier, b. on 17th of February 1752 in Caroline Co., Va. He died on 2nd of August 1834 in Stokes Co., N.C. He married in September of 1769 to Martha Halbert, born 1750 in Caroline County, Virginia. She died 20th September 1833, & was the daughter of Joel and Elizabeth (Jones) Halbert. They both are buried 4 miles northeast of Germantown, N.C. In Surry County, N.C. Will Book I, Page 101, under the Inventory of Estate of James McJoin, deceased, dated 20th March 1778, shows that the deceased owned 360 acres of land in Captain Hill's District. Captain Robert Hill and wife had 10 children, 5 sons and 5 daughters. They were:

- A. Susanna Hill 3/, born 25th June 1770, m. Edmond Samuels on 15 March 1788 in Surry County, N.C. He was b. 1767 & d. 1833.
- B. William Hill 3/, born 8th April 1773, died young.
- C. Caleb Hill 3/, born 12th July 1776, died in Bone or Cooper County, Missouri. He married Nancy Flint on 28 December 1797 in Stokes County, N.C..
Children were:
 - i. James Hill 4/ m. Elizabeth Peters. A daughter Martha Hill 5/ m. Dr. Joseph Miller Gibson and their daughter Lelia Elizabeth Hill 6/ m. Richard H. Kerr.
- D. Elizabeth Hill 3/, born 17 September 1777, died 23 January 1853 at Walkertown, Forsyth County, N.C.. She m. Tandy Mathews.
- E. Joel Hill 3/, b. 4 July 1780, d. 12 September 1857, (Revolutionary Soldier), he m. on 28th January 1815 in Stokes County, N.C. to Mildred Golding, daughter of Jack Golding. She was b. on 29 December 1794 and d. 20 September 1869. They are buried in Hill Cemetery in Stokes County, N.C. (Voss Burying Ground).
 - i. Robert William Hill 4/, b. 1813 in N.C., d. in 1886 in N.C., m. 1840 to ?? His birth date is before parents married unless there was a 1st wife??
 - ii. Sarah Golding Hill 4/, b. 1816 in N.C., d. 1886, m. 1840 to Col. James Madison Covington.
 - iii. John Gideon Hill 4/, b. 11 October 1817 in Stokes Co., N.C., d. 1885, m. in Stokes Co., N.C. on 16 Sept. 1846 to Susan Frances Poindexter.
 - iv. Martha A. Hill 4/, b. 1819 in N.C., d. 1872, m. in 1850 to Samuel Fulton.
 - v. Joel Felix Hill 4/, b. 1821 in N.C., d. 1899, m. a cousin, Harriet Kiser, granddaughter of Rev. William Hill Jr. 2/, through daughter.

- vi. Caleb Hill 4/, b. 1823 in N.C., d. 1893 in Missouri, m. in 1861 to Sallie F. Rierson.
- vii. Elizabeth Hill 4/, b. 1862 in N.C., m. 1844 to Samuel S. Blackburn.
- viii. Isaac Luther Hill 4/, b. 1824 in N.C., d. 1847, m. in 1847 (just before death?) to Mary Fulton.
- ix. Frances Jane Hill 4/, b. 1830 in N.C., d. 1902, m. in 1849 to James M. Hardy.
- x. James Stadler Hill 4/, b. 1832 in N.C., d. 1919, m. on 28 May 1860 in Surry Co., N.C. to Mary Letitia Banner. Their daughter Sallie Hill 5/, b. in Surry Co., N.C. m. Merrill Doyle Arnold.
- xi. Thomas Davis Hill 4/, b. 1834 in N.C., d. 1856 in Texas. No other information.
- xii. Dr. Lauriston Hardin Hill 4/, b. 1837 in N.C., d. 1921, m. Minerva Rierson.

F. Sally Hill 3/, born 30 September 1782, died 20 September 1805, buried Hill Cemetery, Stokes County, N.C.

G. Martha Patsy Hill 3/, (Twin to Robert Jr.) born 30th December 1785, m. William G. Haynes on 3 March 1810, lived and died in Surry Co., N.C. 8. Robert Hill 3/, born 20th December 1785, m. Miss Briggs.

H. Robert Hill Jr. 3/, (twin to Martha) b. 30th December 1785, d. 1844 Surry County, N.C. & m. 9th May 1807 in Stokes County, N.C. to Elizabeth Vest, b. 9 May 1787 & d. ca. 1870. Both buried Hill's Chapel Cemetery.

I. Frances Hill 3/, born 23rd February 1788, d. by 1833, m. 25 July 1809 in Stokes County, N.C. to -- Thomas Locke Davis, b. 2 September 1789 in Va..

J. Senator John Hill 3/, born 9th April 1790, died 25th April 1861, m. in 1819 to Julia Crawford, daughter of Cynthia Hill. He lived in Stokes Co., N.C. and is buried in the old burying grounds in that county. He was educated in University of N.C., was elected seven times to the legislature and once in Congress in 1839. He was opposed to secession and against his will was appointed to the convention that carried the state out of the Union. He said that if there was secession he did not want to live and during the convention he was stricken with apoplexy and died.

Source of the above Information was from a letter from Captain Robert Hill's grandson, filed at Wake Forest, N.C. University Library; Stokes County Will Book 3, Page 277 and family group sheets by Mrs. M.L. Vernon of Stoneville, N.C.

V. Major Uel Hill 2/, b. in Caroline Co., Va. in 1755, d. 17th October 1834 at Abbeyville, Anderson County, S.C.

will signed 22 Aug. 1832, probated 3 Nov. 1832, mentions "My deceased wife" (probably his third wife) is spoken of but not by name... one child listed, Elizabeth Hill 3/, wife of James Hughes. "My grandchildren" and named as: "Ann 4/, wife of Willis Palmer; Catherine 4/, wife of Singleton Hughes; Julie 4/, wife of W.G. Williams; Thomas Hughes 4/; James Hughes Jr 4/; & Pamela Hughes 4/. Nephew, William P. Hill Ex., with my brother, Joshua Hill & Abner Perrin.

- VI. Uel Hill 2/ born in Caroline Co., Va., no date listed, married 1st to a Hartfield; 2nd to a Duvall and 3rd to ??? He was a Baptist minister and served in the American Revolution.
- VII. Daniel (Dan) Hill 2/, Revolutionary Soldier, b. 16th October 1756 in Caroline Co., Va., d. 28 May 1826 in Williamson Co., Tennessee. (HIS WILL). He married on 16 October 1779 to Martha (Patsy) Hickman, daughter of William Hickman (Revolutionary Soldier). They had 10 children, 2 sons and 8 daughters. They were:
- A. Sarah Hill 3/, b. 28 July 1780, d. between 1830 & 1855, married Nathan Ewing. He was born 17th February 1776 at Nashville, Tenn., died 1st May 1830.
 - B. Mary Hill 3/, b. 4 September 1782, d. 23 July 1757, m. Henry Bateman.
 - C. Nancy Hill 3/, b. 7 April 1785, d. 27 January 1829, m. on 10th September 1807 to John Creecy.
 - D. William Hickman Hill 3/, b. 1st May 1788, d. 12th August 1867, Dallas Co., TX. He m. 20th September 1810 to Sally Brown, b. 1790 in Va., daughter of Daniel Brown & Patience Vick.
 - E. Green Hill 3/, b. 15 October 1790, d. 7 February 1825, never married.
 - F. Mildred Hill 3/, b. 8 July 1793 & m. Burris. Other sources sat husband was Burroughs or Burrows.
 - G. Elizabeth Hill 3/, (twin of Lucinda) b. 14 March 1796, d. in March 1855. She m. 12 January 1815 to Henry Clayton Erwing in Williamson Co., Tenn.
 - H. Lucinda Hill 3/, (twin of Elizabeth) b. 14 March 1796, d. 4 February 1885, m. in 1817 to William Garner, b. 1788, d. 1851
 - I. Susanna Smither Hill 3/, b. 20 August 1800 & d. in December of 1807.
- VIII. Jesse Hill 2/, Revolutionary Soldiers, born 26 May 1763 in Caroline County, Virginia, died 20th June 1855, Abbeyville, Anderson County, S.C. Will signed 13 July 1818, probated 4 Jan. 1821, wife is listed as Elizabeth Hill, 3rd wife. (ref: SCMAR Magazine by Holcomb). First wife Mary --? was mother of:

- A. Susanna Hill 3/, m. Cossy or Casey.
- B. Sally Hill 3/ m. Thomas Garrett.

Second wife Mary Pittman, they m. before 1794 & she was the mother of:

- C. William Pittman Hill 3/, raised by uncle Uel Hill 2/ (listed above).
- D. Colonel John Hill 3/, b. between 1756 & 1763, aged over 45 in 1810 census. He died in Edgefield, South Carolina on 17 August 1820.
 - i. Thomas Jefferson Hill 4/, born 29 June 1802 in Edgefield, S.C., died near Marietta (sic), Cobb County, GA., on 28 July 1873 and his second wife was Elizabeth Welch, born ca. 1812, Edgefield Co., S.C. She died on 20th August 1849. They were married 16th February 1832 (DAR #434303-Helen (Hill) Warwick).
- E. Joel Hill 3/. (youngest son).

Third wife Elizabeth (named in will) had no children.

- IX. James Hill 2/, Revolutionary Soldier, born in Caroline County, Virginia. He died on 17th September 1835 in Lincoln County, N.C. He married on 10th March 1785 to Anne Robinson, who made a declaration for pension on his military service in the Revolutionary War. on 4th March 1839. He was a Lieutenant at the battle of King's Mountain in S.C.

children:

- A. John Hill 3/, b. 11 September 1787.
- B. Elizabeth Hill 3/, b. 12 December 1789, m. a Mr. Reed.
- C. Jean Hill 3/, b. 2 July 1792, m. a Mr. Adams.
- D. Mary Hill 3/, b. 9 January 1795.
- E. Anney Hill 3/, b. 16 June 1797.
- F. James Dinwiddie Hill 3/, b. 24 Nov. 1799.
- G. Alexander Hill 3/, b. 27 October 1805.
- H. Zenas Sidney Hill 3/, b. 30 July 1808.

- X. Joshua Hill 2/, (A TWIN?) (questionable) born 26th May 1763 in Caroline County, Virginia, died 20th June 1855 in Abbeyville, Anderson County, S.C. He married Nancy Eppes Collier, daughter of Cornelius and Elizabeth (Wyatt) Collier of Virginia. He was a twin to Joel Hill 2/ & a Revolutionary Soldier.

- A. Mary Ellen Hill 3/, b. 6 February 1791 Abbeyville, S.C., d. 9th January 1843, m. in December 1807 to James Foster.
- B. John Hill 3/, b. 7 or 10 December 1792, d. 20 August 1859, m. 20 January 1819 in Jasper County,

- GA. to Julia Dyer, b. 17 December 1799 & d. 8 March 1826 Jasper Co., GA.
- C. Elizabeth Wyatt Hill 3/, b. 13 March 1795, d. 23 April 1883, m. 9 August 1813 to Hardy Foster, b. 25 May 1792 & d. 18 August 1849.
- D. Sarah Blackwell Hill 3/, b. 1 August 1797, m. 18 January 1824 to Robert Jones.
- E. Susanna Smither Collier Hill 3/, b. 3 October 1799, m. Elisha Brown who d. 1838 & m. 2nd time on 4 February 1839 to John Cameron Jones.
- F. William Wyatt Hill 3/, b. 22 or 27 April 1802, m. Harriet Withington who d. 1887.
- G. Ormond Hill 3/, b. 30 June 1803.
- H. (Judge) Edward Young Hill 3/, b. 10 January or July of 1805 & d. 20 November 1860. He m. Arabella Dawson (1810-1873) on 12 December 1827.
- I. Martha Ann Hill 3/, b. 1st September 1807, m. Alexander Reid Buchanan & 2nd to John Bruce.
- J. Hulda Hill 3/, b. either on the 10th, 15th or 20th of February 1810, m. John Daniel.
- K. (Senator) Joshua Hill 3/, b. 10 January 1812, d. 6 March 1891, m. Emily Reid on 2nd January 1836.
- L. Phoebe Louisa Hill 3/, b. 20 February 1817, m. Edward/Edmond Jones.
- XI. Joel Hill 2/ (A TWIN?) (questionable) born 26th May 1763 in Caroline County, Va. and was possibly a twin brother to Joshua Hill 2/. Joel Hill 2/ died on 7th January 1843 in Jackson County, Arkansas. He married in Richmond County, Arkansas on 16th of October 1791 to Anne Watson, b. 10 October 1773, d. after 5 May 1855, the date she applied for bounty land as a resident of Augusta, Jackson County, Arkansas. Joel Hill 2/ was a Revolutionary Soldier (Pension Application W-23288, Bounty Land Warrant 280636-160-55-) & brother to Captain Robert Hill 2/.
- children:
- A. Elizabeth Hill 3/ born 26 July 1792.
- B. John P. Hill 3/ born 12 November 1794.
- C. William Hill 3/ born 14 May 1797.
- D. Margaret Hill 3/ born 3 September 1799.
- E. Mary Hill 3/ born 23 December 1802.

SECOND GENERATION, WILLIAM HILL JR. 2/.

- I. Rev. William Hill Jr. 2/, (son of William Hill Sr. 1/) was born in Caroline County Virginia in 1737. He was a soldier (chaplain) in the American Revolution and a Baptist minister.. He died in Surry County N.C. ca. 1792 (NO WILL) and he married in 1758 in Caroline County Virginia to Hanniniah (Hannah?) Elizabeth Halbert (b. 1744-d. after 1811). She was daughter of Joel Halbert

Sr. (1712-ca. 1762) and Frances Elizabeth Jones. (Widow Elizabeth (Halbert) Hill remarried 2nd time to John Glenn Jr. of Rockingham Co., N.C.).

children were:

A. Thomas Hill 3/, (Revolutionary Soldier) was born 22 September 1759 in Guilford Co., N.C. (originally Rowan Co.) and died on 5th April 1849 in White County Tennessee. Was married in 1783 to Catherine Shropshire (1760-1854). NOTE: LATER INFORMATION SHOWS HE COULD NOT BE SON OF (HANNAS?) ELIZABETH HALBERT.

B. James Hill 3/, 25th July 1761 in Rockingham Co., N.C. (originally Rowan County). He died Claiborne Co., Tennessee on 17th May 1833. He was married on 6th June in 1789 in Surry County, N.C. to Nancy Royalty of Virginia, b. 22 February 1768 Albemarle County, Virginia, she d. after 8th September 1834. She was daughter of Isham & Catherine Royalty.

children:

- i. Thomas Hill 4/ b. 29 March 1790 Surry Co., N.C. Had a son Henry T. Hill 5/, b. 1818 Knoxville, Tenn, m. Sarah Jane--, they went to Oregon.
- ii. William Hill 4/ b. 27 October 1791 Surry Co., N.C.
- iii. Elizabeth Hill 4/, b. 30 August 1795 in Surry County, N.C.
- iii. Katherine Hill 4/ b. 9 April 1796 Grayson Co., Tenn., m. George Venable.
- iv. Nancy Hill 4/ b. 25 October 1797 Granger Co., Tenn., m. 5 Feb. 1829 to Dr. Thomas McLary.
- v. James Hill Jr. 4/ b. 29 June 1799 Granger Co., Tenn., he died 19 October 1819.
- vi. Joab Hill 4/ b. 31 March 1801 Claiborne Co., Tenn., d. in 1871 married Esther L. Satterfield, b. 1803. Had no children.
- vii. Esther L. Hill 4/b. 1 January 1803-05 Claiborne County, Tenn., m. a Mr. Satterfield ?.
- viii. John Hill 4/ b. 13 December 1804, d. 1881, m. Mary McNeil (1810-1897).
- ix. Roylaty Hill 4/ b. 1 August 1807, d. 1890
- x. Reuben Mason Hill 4/ b. 23 July 1809, d. 1885.

Source of Information: "Hill Families in Oregon from Tennessee," by Mary Stevens Cook in 1956.

C. Mary Hill 3/, daughter of William Hill Jr. 2/, b. ca. 1764 in Guilford Co., N.C. Married 1st to Osborne Childers on 18 February 1805 Stokes Co., N.C.; 2nd to Thomas Blount. A daughter Minerva Blount 4/ m. a Reynolds (DAR Files). There may have been other children but no names given.

D. Elizabeth Hill 3/, daughter of William Hill Jr. 2/,
b. ca. 1768, d. ca. 1884, married ca. 1795 to John
Moore MD, MO(1768-1845).

E. William Hill III (the 3rd) 3/, b. 23 September 1773
Surry County, N.C., d. 29 October 1857 Raleigh, (Wake
Co.) in 1857, was married twice: 1st in 1803 to Sarah
Geddy (-1833), had 5 children.

F. Joab Hill 3/, b. 5 October 1775 Surry Co., N.C., d. 5
October 1847 in Clark County Missouri (A WILL). He
married 14 June 1802 in Claiborne Co., Tenn. to
Elizabeth Lane 6/ (1784-1864), daughter of Lt. Isaac
Lane 5/ and Sarah Russell, of Wataugna Settlement.

G. Cynthia Hill 3/, (ca. 1776-) born in Surry Co.,
N.C. married 1848 a Crawford, moved to Tenn. (her
daughter Julia Crawford married cousin John Hill, son
of Leon Hill & Milly Golding, grandson of Captain
Robert Hill & Martha Halbert.

H. Frances "Frankie" Hill 3/, b. ca. 1778, -) born
in Surry Co., N.C. married 26 January 1796 in
Rockingham County, N.C. to Major Mark Hardin Jr.
(1776-1812)GA, veteran of War of 1812.

I. John Hill 3/, b. ca. 1780 Surry Co., N.C., may have
married Obedience Collum/Chilom of Wayne Co.,
Tennessee (subject to reverification)..

J. Polly Hill 3/, born ca. 1781? probably in Surry
County N.C., married 27 October of 1799 in Grainger
Co., Tenn. to Thomas Gibbons. Lived on Roaring River
in what became Overton Co., Tenn.

K. Green Hill 3/, b., ca. 1782 Surry County N.C. (now
Stokes Co.) and died in Wake County N.C. He married
19 June 1803 in Raleigh, N.C. (Wake Co.) to Nancy
Geddy Mitchell (1781-1835). Some how I suspect his
name to be Greenberry Hill, not just Green Hill.

COURT MINUTES, DEEDS ETC.. RELATING TO REV. WILLIAM HILL 2/.

Rockingham County Court Minutes, 1786-1795 Pt.2, Page 32.
Dept, of Archives & History, Raleigh, N.C.

27 August 1792. Ordered that the prayer of William Hill's
heirs be granted and that Samuel Henderson, Thomas Henderson,
Pleasant Henderson, James Hayes and John Reagen be appointed
to lay of (sic) (off?) the lands as the law directs and make
(a) report to next court and that Thomas Henderson be
appointed guardian to said children to wit: William Hill,

James Hill, Eliza Hill, Cintha Hill, Green Hill and Polly Hill.

Comments: This clearly shows that Rev. William Hill Jr. 2/ was dead by this date. A Mr. BRadley stated he died in February of 1785, but since his widow was already married on that date, he must have died in 1784.

Stokes County, N.C. Deed Book 3, Page 12.

14 January 1797. James Hill of Rockingham County, N.C. to William Hill of same.. For 75 pounds current money, 464 acres (of land) on the waters of Town Fork on Ash Camp Creek whereon the REVEREND WILLIAM HILL, formerly lived, joining the lands of John Halbert, Samuel Hampton and others.

James Hill

Witnesses: Robert Hill, Thomas (T) Evans
Proved June 1797 by Robert Hill.

Comments: I believe this was James Hill 3/ selling 464 acres to his brother William Hill 3/. This appears to be the same land that the widow (& mother) filed a petition in the courts for her dowry. SEE PETITION BELOW! I think Robert Hill was their uncle, Captain Robert Hill 2/. Was this 464 acres the same as the one below?

Stokes County Deed Book 3, Page 57.

7 October 1797. John Hill of Davidson County, Tennessee, to William Hill of the city of Raleigh (NC) for 100 pounds current money, 464 acres (of land) on Ash Creek, waters of the Town Fork, whereon the Reverend William Hill, deceased, formerly lived.

John Hill

Witnesses: James Hill, Thomas Henderson.
Proved Decembrr 1797 by James Hill.

Comments: This was a son of Rev. William Hill 3/ named John Hill 3/ who was selling his parents home site to his brother, William Hill 3/, 464 acres of land that was later contested by the widow, Elizabeth Halbert Hill (who remarried John Glenn).

Stokes County, N.C. Deed Book 4, Pages 143, 144.

15 June 1802. Division of land to the heirs of William Hill, deceased.

Lot No. 1 to Green Hill, 111 and 1/4 acres.

Lot No. 2 to William Hill, 83 acres.

Lot No. 3 to James Hill, 104 acres.
Lot No. 4 to John Hill, 168 acres.

Comments: The son William Hill was born on the 23rd Of September 1773 would be 21 years old the next September after this deed. The son Green Hill, born 1782, was the youngest son, & aged 20 at the time the property was divided. This proves that a minor could own land, BUT only if the land was inherited.

Stokes Co., N.C. Estate Records, WILLIAM HILL, C.R. 90 126,
Dept. of Archives & History, Raleigh, N.C.

PETITION OF WIDOW, ELIZABETH (HALBERT) Hill..

10 December 1810. Petition of widow Elizabeth Hill of Stokes County, N.C.. widow of Reverend William Hill Jr.:
Petition of John Glen & Elizabeth Glenn, formerly Elizabeth Hill.. that William Hill departed this life on or about----
? intestate, leaving at the time of his death the following sons: John Hill, William Hill, James Hill & Green Hill; ALSO Elizabeth Hill now Glenn by her intermarriage with John Glenn, his widow & relict.

The intestate was seized of a tract of land lying on Ash Camp Creek, a branch of Town Fork containing 464 acres, adjoining James Hampton and Thomas Evans. Elizabeth (Glenn) is entitled to one-third part as her dower.

John Glenn deposes that he agreed with John Hill, who was the guardian of his brother, Green Hill (by appointment of Court of Rockingham County) to buy Green's part at \$ 300.00. Glenn gave a Negro girl, worth \$ 300.00 as payment to John (Hill) & John sold the Negro. Green Hill has not made good the deed since arriving at the age of twenty-one.

John Hill lived at Cumberland (county?) in 1808 and 1811.
Green Hill replied to the bill in October 1811. (notes from IBID).

End of Estate Affairs for Rev. Wm. Hill 2/.

Now the following events were in Guilford County, N.C.:
Matrimony Primitive Creek Baptist Church Records 1776-1816:

It is suggested that the reader bear in mind & remember the above information and then compare with the following events.

Copied by Robert Hill, This is not a complete list:

17 Sept. 1776- membership
Jonas Bridges & wife Rachel) dead
William Hill) dismiss

Hannah Hill) dismiss
Cattron Hill) excommunicated.
Gustavis Hill) " "
Margaret Hill) " "

Comments: Why William & Hannah Hill were dismissed is unknown. Same as to why Gustavus Hill & wife Margaret Hill were excommunicated. They may have simply moved to another location.. but when "excommunicated" then there was real trouble.

Martrimony Primitive Creek Baptist Church Records Shows:

Page 2, 21 March 1779.. Received by letter Brother William Hill & sister Hannah Hill. Joseph Hooper, Clerk.

Page 2, (21 March 1779?) Gustavus Hill & wife.

Page 3, 18 September 1779 the church met together & _____ a matter concerning Charity Hill & one of the _____ wimmem (women). excummunicated them both (& husbands).

15 July 1780 received Brother Gulavius (sic) Hill in fellowship again.

9 November 1780 a matter of dispute between sisters Charity Hill & Hannah Hill & was found hard spirt in Charity Hill.

21 January 1781 Sister Charity Hill gave satisfaction again.

Page 5, 15 March 1781 as there was dispute between Brother Gustavus Hill & Sister Hannah Hill, they cum (come) together again.

Sister Charrity (sic) Hill for lying (to?) the church, excummunicated her.

no Page given, 8 June 1783. a difference between Brother Gustavus Hill & Sister Margaret Hill & both left
** rum (sic) for mistake & came together again.
** (I suspect the word rum was supposed to be home).

Page 5, 15 Oct. 1784, charge against Sister Caty Hill tis settle & satisfaction given.

Page 6, 21 Jan. 1786, received Hannah Hill in membership again.

17 Feb. 1786, received WILLIAM HILL in membership again.

14 April 1786, a charge by Joshua Hopper against Caty Hill and satisfaction gained.

end of church records

It has not been proved as yet, but I suspect the above William Hill & Gustavius Hill may have been cousins or perhaps brothers. I also think it possible that William Hill with wife Hannah may have been Rev. William Hill Jr., the son of William Hill Sr. and wife Susannah Smithers, who married Hannah Elizabeth Halbert.

William Hill Sr. was born ca. 1710 in Caroline County, Va. and came to Surry County, N.C. along with his family.

THE HILL FAMILY OF BUFFALO ISLAND CREEK
(FOLLOWING LOCATED IN GUILFORD COUNTY, N.C., BUT LATER IN
1785, IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, N.C.)

Deeds & Land Grants

N.C. Land Grant No. 299 (TO WILLIAM HILL)

Entry No. 161

Entered February 26, 1778

Issued March 1st, 1780

382 acres "In Guilford County on both sides of Buffalo Island Creek of Dan River. Beginning at white oak on south side of the aforesaid creek; thence west 186 poles to a black oak in Joseph Gibson's line, crossing the creek 206 poles to his corner; thence the same course continuing 80 poles, 286 in all to a poplar in Gustavus Hill's line; thence east along his line crossing white oak fork. 37 poles to a white oak; thence north along his line 54 poles to a black oak; thence east crossing a branch 149 poles to a black oak; thence south crossing the creek 340 poles to the first station."

N.C. LAND GRANT No. 337 (TO GUSTAVUS HILL)

Entry No. 879

Entered: December 1, 1778

Issued: March 1, 1780

200 acres "In Guilford County on the north fork of Buffalo Island Creek bounded by the claims of land Winkfield Shropshire, WILLIAM HILL, and the line of Gibson's land to the south..."

N.C. LAND GRANT NO. 313 (TO WILLIAM HILL)

Entry No. 150

Entered: February 26, 1779

Issued: March 1, 1780

350 acres "In Guilford County on both sides of Buffalo Island Creek of Dan River beginning at a white oak running thence north 165 poles to a post oak in the aforesaid Hill's line; thence east along his own line 60 poles to a white oak; thence north along his own line crossing Buffalo Island Creek 160 poles to a black oak; thence east 180 poles to a black oak; thence south crossing a branch 120 poles to a post oak in Henry Seale's line; thence west along his line crossing a branch 60 poles to a black oak; thence south along his line crossing the creek aforesaid and such creek fork 205 poles to a white oak, thence west crossing such fork 180 poles to the beginning"

GUILFORD COUNTY, N.C. DEED BOOK 2, PAGE 280:

William Hill sells to John Hill (350 acres)
March 29, 1783

"William Hill of the State of North Carolina and County of Guilford on the one part and John Hill of the aforesaid State and County of the other (part Seale's land containing 350 acres situated) on both sides of Buffalo Island Creek of Dan River, beginning at a white oak, running thence north 165 poles to a post oak is the aforesaid Hill's own line; thence east along his own line 60 poles to a white oak; thence south crossing a branch 120 poles to a post oak in Henry Seale's line; thence west along his line crossing a branch 60 poles to a black oak; thence south along his line..."

Witnessed by:
George Peay
George Peay Jr.
William Shropshire

Note: This is the same land that was granted to William Hill in Grant Number 313.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, N.C. DEED BOOK E, PAGE 180

William Hill sells to William Mills (382 Acres)
March 10, 1780

"William Hill of the County of Rockingham and State of North Carolina of one part and William Mills of the County of Henry and State of Virginia of the other part... land situated in the county of Rockingham and on waters of Buffalo Island Creek of Dan River, beginning at a white oak on the south side of the aforesaid creek running thence west 186 poles to a black oak in Joseph Gibson's line; thence north along his line crossing the creek 206 poles to his corner; thence the same course continued 80 poles (286 in all) to a pole in Gustavus Hill's line; thence east along his line crossing

white oak fork.."

Witnessed by:

Charles Gallaway

A. Walker

Lee Murphy

Note: This is the same land of N.C. Land Grant Number 298.

Comments by Robert Hill: This particular William Hill was a different man than the William Hill SR., who married Susannah Smithers and who was dead by February of 1787. However, according to most sources, his son, Rev. William Hill Jr. lived until 1792, which is contrary to what Mr. Jeff Bradley states.. Bradley indicated this could not have been Rev. William Hill Jr. because he was dead by February of 1785...
IS THIS WRONG?

Additional deeds which add information about this Hill Family are:

A. Rockingham County Deed Book A, Page 221
December 1786

Joseph Pain Johnson to John Hill Sr.

" 137 acres on Buffalo Island Creek of Dan River.. on William Hill's line.. on said Hill's own line..."

This proves that this John Hill was the same John Hill who bought the property on N.C. Grant 313 and proves that this John Hill was still alive as of this date. This deed also proves a James Hill and a John Hill Jr. are alive as they witnessed this deed.

B. Rockingham County, N.C. Deed Book H, Page 109
Dated 1791

Gustavus Hill to David Alexander, 200 acres on Buffalo Island Creek.

This represents the sale of the grant he received from North Carolina and proves he was alive by this date.

C. Later Rockingham County Deeds in a time period of 1808-1815 prove heirship of John Hill Jr., Micajah Hill, Dutton Hill, etc., all as heirs of the John Hill Sr. who bought the N.C. land grant property of William Hill (No. 313) in 1783 as well as the Polly Shropshire connection.
(SEE FOOTNOTE BELOW)

D. The last piece of property on record to be sold from the Hill family land on Buffalo Island Creek was in 1815 when Dutton Hill sold 75 acres to Polly Shropshire.

E. None of these heirs appears in any land transactions in Rockingham County deeds past 1815.

REFERENCE ITEM "C" & "D" ABOVE:

(Note by Robert Hill: This data taken from my files and inserted at this point...

JOHN HILL SR.

B: 29 MAY 1782 GUILFORD CO., N.C. (VETERAN OF WAR OF 1812)

M: JUNE 1800

D: AFTER DECEMBER 1809 IN DAVIDSON CO., TENN.

Lived on Buffallow Island Creek.

FATHER: PROBABLY WM. HILL (WHO D. CA. 1792?) by R. Hill

WIFE: MARY COVINGTON

Children:

1. Micajah Hill.
2. John Hill Jr.
3. Unity Hill.
4. David Alexander Hill.
5. Margaret (Peggy) Hill m. Alexander Joyce.
6. Dutton Hill.

SOURCE: Mrs. W. L. Vernon, Rt. 1, Box 179, Stoneville, N.C. 27048. Rockingham County Deed Book M-P 544.

Comment by Robert Hill: Notice the namss mentioned in paragraph "C" above" John Hill Jr; Micajah Hill, Dutton Hill... It is my opinion that what we may have was a William Hill 1/, son John Hill Sr. 2/, and then his children, (third generation) all listed above. This should be checked out carefully by interested parties.

Rockingham County, N.C. was created from Guilford County in 1785.

THE HILL FAMILY OF FISHER AND LITTLE FISHER RIVER
(SURRY COUNTY, N.C.)

Surry Co., N.C. Deed Book D, Pages 404, 405 (380 acres)
Dated 20 January 1789:

"James & Catherine Bryson of Surry County of the one part and William Hill of said county and state of the other part... land in said county of Surry and Province aforesaid situated on Fisher's River beginning at a pine on the south side of the Main River and 9 degrees north, 70 degrees west; 80 chains to a Spanish oak; thence north 37 chains to a black oak; thence east 76 chains to a pine; thence south 63 chains to the beginning.."

Witnessed by:
John Bryson Jr.

Thomas Hill (Possibly the eldest son of Wm.)

Note: This is the very first deed for ANY HILL on Fisher River in Surry County.

Comments by Robert Hill of Brandon, Fl.:

From what I can gather, it appears that William Ramsey surveyed 380 acres of land for James & Catherine Bryson, who then sold it to William Hill.

William Hill must have made a verbal agreement with his sons for them to divide the 380 acres (after his death), with each having a certain tract of land, thus the deeds below.

Old English law gave the eldest son the birth right to inherit all property and I suspect Thomas Hill was the eldest son. He must have moved to Wilkes County, Georgia and then sold all of his N.C. lands to his brothers (as his father wanted them to have). He also sold land to a man named Benjamin Cadle. This land did not come from his father, William Hill, or at least it is not indicated so.

Guilford County, N.C. Deed Book 2, Page 280
March 20, 1783

William Hill sells to John Hill (350 acres)

"William Hill of the State of North Carolina and County of Surry on the one part and John Hill of the aforesaid State and County of the other part... (sells land) on both sides of Buffalo Island Creek of Dan River beginning at a white oak; running thence north 165 poles to a post oak in the aforesaid Hill's line; thence west along his own line 60 poles to a white oak; thence south crossing a branch 120 poles to a post oak in Henry Seale's line; thence west along his line crossing a branch 60 poles to a black oak; thence south along his line..."

Witnessed by
George Peay
George Peay Jr.
Wm. Shropshire

Comments by Robert Hill of Brandon, Fl.:

It appears to me that William Hill was selling land to his son, John Hill (John Hill Sr.). This deed clearly shows that William Hill owned land before the purchase he made in 1789. Apparently Mr. Bradley did not pick up on this, however, Mr. Bradley clarified his position when he states "that the deed of 20th January 1789 was the first recorded deed on Fisher River."

Note: This deed was copied by Robert Hill of Brandon, Fla.:

Surry Co., N.C. Deed Book F, Page 274, (100 acres)
November 1792

Thomas Hill OF WILKS CO., GA. sells to (brother?) John Hill for 100 pounds current money, a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being situate in the county of Surry on both sides of little Fisher River bounded by the "conditional lines made and agreed on between the said John Hill and his father William Hill, deceased, and the former lines of the Survey deeded by William Ramsey for 380 acres, containing 100 by estimation be the same more or less etc. etc."

Signed, sealed & delivered in the presence of
J. Mackey
John (X) Watson
his mark
Matthew Sims

Surry County August Term 1795: The execution of the within Deed was proved in open court by Matthew Sims and ordered to be registered.

Test: J. William CC (County Clerk)

Comments by Robert Hill: While Thomas Hill is not named as a son of William Hill, I think he was the eldest son, thus had probably inherited the land and was now selling to his brother, John Hill (JOHN HILL SR.).

Note that Thomas Hill was a witness when William Hill purchased land in 1789 and that he also owned other land in Surry County, which he sells on the 2nd of October 1792. (see later).

This deed copied by Robert Hill:

Deed Number 2
Surry Co. Deed Book F, Page 273, dated 10th November 1792

A Deed between Thomas Hill of Wilks County, Ga. to Jacob Hill for 50 pounds sold 140 acres of land in Surry Co., N.C. located on both sides of Fisher River, on both sides (of) the little river, joining JOHN HILL above and JAMES HILL below, agreeable to the conditional lines made between them and their father WILLIAM HILL in his life time and including the place where he deceased, containing 140 acres by estimation be the same more or less..etc. etc.."

Signed/Thomas Hill

Signed, sealed & delivered in presence of:

J. Mackie
John (X) Watsom
his mark
Matthew (M) Sims
his mark

Surry County August Term 1795: The Within Deed was proved in
Open Court by Matthew Sims & ordered to be registered.
Test: J. Williams CC
County Clerk

Comments by Robert Hill: This deed shows Thomas Hill was a
resident of Wilks Co., Ga, and was selling another piece of
property he owned in N.C. to his brother, Jacob Hill, who
still lived in Surry Co., N.C. Again, I am of the opinion
that Thomas Hill was the eldest son of William Hill, and as
such, inherited the land from his deceased father, William
Hill.

From the wording of the deed, it appears to me that the
deceased father named William Hill, had made a verbal
agreement with all of his sons as to which land was to become
theirs after his death. (see next deed)

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THE FOLLOWING DATA WAS TAKEN FROM THE RESEARCH PROJECT OF MR.
JEFF BRADLEY, MADE IN 1990.

Note: If and when another source of data occurred, it will
be in bold print.

Robert Hill

This deed copied by Robert Hill:

Surry Co., N.C. Deed Book F, Page 274, dated 10th November
1792 (same days as the previous two deeds)

Thomas Hill of Wilks Co., Ga. sells to (brother) James Hill
for 90 pounds current money, a tract of land in Surry Co.
lying on both sides of Fisher River at the fork in the lower
end of Surry made by William Ramsey for 380 acres, "bounded
by a conditional line made between the said James Hill and
his father William Hill, containing 140 acres"... etc. etc

Signed/Thomas Hill

Signed, Sealed in presence of

J. Mackey
John (x) Watson

Surry County August term 1795, the execution of this within
Deed was proved by Matthew Sims and ordered to be registered.

Test J. Williams CC (County Clerk)

Comments by Robert Hill: This was another deed where Thomas Hill, a resident of Wilks Co., Ga. was selling his N.C. land to his brother JAMES HILL, who was still in Surry Co., N.C.

This deed copied by Robert Hill:

Surry Co., N.C. Deed Book F, Page 348, (100 acres)
Dated 22 October 1792

Deed between Thomas Hill of Wilks Co., Ga. to Benjamin Cadle for 30 pounds current money, sells land lying on Bull Creek, the waters of Tarrarat River beginning at two chesnut trees, the south side B Run and runs East twenty three chains to a pine the north forty three chains and a half, crossing said Run to a white Oak, west twenty three chains to a Pine then South crossing said Run to the beginning, containing 100 acres etc etc.."

Signed/Thomas Hill

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of:

J. Mackey
JAMES HILL
Jean Mackey

Surry County August Court Term 1796: The execution of this within Deed was proved by the Pat of Joel Mackey & ordered to be registered.

Test: J. Williams CC
County Clerk

Comments by Robert Hill: This is another deed made by Thomas Hill, who was a resident of Wilks Co., Ga., selling land he owned in Surry Co., N.C. to a Benjamin Cadle of Surry County, N.C. Apparently this land Thomas Hill was selling, did not come to him from his father, William Hill, at least it is not indicated as being so.

Surry County Deed Book K, Page 217, (100 acres)
dated 1st December 1795

"John Hill of County of Surry and State of North Carolina of the one part and Colby Creed of the other part... land lying situate in said county of Surry on Little Fish River being part of the survey made by William Ramsey which said Creed is now in possession of from a purchase of Jacob or Joab??) Hill..."

Witnessed by
C. Tucker
David Clark

George Burns

Note: The question to the above name has been solved! Jo Williams, the clerk who wrote this deed as well as the deed from Thomas Hill to Jacob Hill (in) 1792, has a very distinctive handwriting. I compared his writing of both deeds and was easily able to determine that the above deed stating "..from a purchase of.." is JACOB, not Joab. There is no recorded deed of sale from Jacob Hill to Colby Creed, nevertheless the above deed states that Jacob Hill had sold his land to Creed.

(The above comment made by Mr. Jeff Bradley)

Comment by Robert Hill: This was John Hill Sr., son of William Hill.

Surry County Deed Book G, Page 190
Joab Hill sells to Colby Creed (140 acres)
October 1, 1796

"Joab Hill of the one part and Colby Creed... (sells) land lying and being situate in the County of Surry on Little Fish River being part of a tract deeded for William Ramsey of 380 acres divided by and bounded by Fielding Herrin and JOHN HILL, deceased to said Colby Creed at the upper end agreeable to the conditional lines formerly made containing 140 acres..."

Witnessed by
Joel Mackey
Alexander Mackey
Martin Burrus.

Comments by Robert Hill: This deed shows that the son JOHN HILL (SENIOR) was now dead. Based on the fact that this land was for 140 acres, which matches the same amount of land that the son, Jacob Hill obtained from his father, William Hill, I am of the opinion that Jacob Hill was now dead or had moved and HIS SON, Joab Hill had control of the land and was completeing the sale that his father (Jacob Hill) had started with Creed.

Following are comments by Mr. Bradley:
The above deeds provide us with the following information:

1. A William Hill purchased the first property on Fisher River on January 20th, 1789.
2. This date proves that he cannot be William Hill Sr. (dead by February 1787) or his son Rev. William Hill (Jr.) (dead by February 1785) or his son William Hill (later Secretary of State) since he was too young to own

property. Comment by Robert Hill: I do not agree with Mr. Bradley's statement about the death date of Rev. Wm. Hill Jr. Some one is confused! Bradley says Rev. Wm. Hill Jr. was dead by February 1785 YET the above genealogy states he died on 29th September 1792. Everything I have ever seem says he died in 1792, HOWEVER I do agree that this was not Rev. William Hill Jr., but only because of the names of the children.

3. This William Hill was dead by November 10, 1792.
4. This William Hill was the father of Jacob; James; and John Hill (SR., also probably Thomas Hill).
5. This Thomas Hill, although he is never named as a son in any of the above deeds, most probably was since he is selling the same property that this William Hill bought in 1789. It would be probable that he was the eldest son of this William Hill and was his heir.
Note: Mr. Bradley & I agree on this matter.. R.Hill.
6. This Thomas Hill also owned additional property in Surry County as per the October 2, 1792 deed.
7. This Thomas Hill was residing in Wilkes County, Georgia by October 2, 1792.
8. John, son of this William Hill, is dead by October 31, 1796, but still living on December 1, 1795. (This was John Hill Sr.)
9. The land that Joab Hill sold to Creed was almost certainly the same land that Thomas Hill sold to Jacob Hill in 1792 by the description of the property since only Jacob's property bounded John's property.

OBSERVATIONS (BY BRADLEY)

1. If Number 9 is accepted, what happened to the 140 acres which Thomas Hill sold to James Hill in 1792? I cannot find a later deed in Surry County for such a sale!
2. Why does the 1795 deed from John Hill to Creed state that Creed is now in possession of property ".. from a purchase of Jacob Hill..." and then in 1796 Joab Hill is selling to Creed the property which was referred to as being sold one year earlier.
3. There is, however, no factual evidence to the previous to the previous claims that this Joab Hill was the son of the Fisher River William Hill. Likewise, it is erroneous to have connected him in anyway to the Rev. William Hill (Jr.), the Baptist preacher who died in Guilford/Rockingham County by February 1785.

4. The following Hill family was a Surry County family and much confusion has arisen due to the fact that the property of different Hill families in this area had been originally recorded in Surry County. However, as the counties broke off from one another, the land became part of the newly formed counties, as in the case with the Hill property in Stokes; Guilford; and Rockingham Counties. Nevertheless, property cannot move. This Hill family was ALWAYS a Surry County family with respect to their Fisher River Island holdings.

END OF BRADLEY'S RESEARCH PROJECT

Additional details to be added to Bradley's observations by Robert Hill. also reference to the William Hill Sr. genealogy at beginning of this document:

1. When Bradley speaks about William Hill Sr., he is talking about the William Hill Sr. 1/ said to have been born ca. 1710 in Caroline County, Va. and married Susannah Smithers.

I do agree with his analysis that this date of 20th January 1789 PROVES that this could not have been William Hill Sr. 1/ (m. Susannah Smithers) because he was dead by February of 1787, but I do not agree with him that it could not have been his son, Rev. William Hill Jr. 2/ (m. Hannah Halbert) because the above genealogy says Rev. William Hill Jr. 2/ died on the 29th of September 1792, NOT February 1786 as Bradley states. Someone is very wrong on this matter!

Neither do I completely agree with Bradley when he says that it could not be the son of Rev. William Hill Jr. 2/ (Wm. Hill 3/) due to his being too young to own land. I do not know what age a man had to be to own land, perhaps age 21. If so then Bradley may be correct on this subject BUT the above genealogy states that this son, William Hill 3/, was born on the 25th of September 1773 and in 1792 would have been 19 years old.

2. I think this William Hill had sons named Thomas Hill; Jacob Hill; John Hill and James Hill and was dead by 10th of November 1792.
3. John Hill, son of William Hill, was still alive on the 1st of December 1795, but was dead by 31st of October 1796. He had a son John Hill Jr.
4. Reference to the Question: What happened to the 140 acres of land that Thomas Hill sold to James Hill? Mr. Bradley states that he can find no later deed in Surry

County for such a sale! I think it was because James Hill remained in Surry County, died there at some later date and the deed was never recorded or lost over time.

END OD R.086 DATA