

RODEN.008 A RECONSTRUCTION OF THE JOHN RODEN SR. FAMILY
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In the Equity Suit filed in 1830 we learn that JOHN RODEN SR.
had 12 children, all of whom, unfortunately, are not named in
the suit nor in his will.

The list below is an attempt to reconstruct the 12 children
by name according to the records available.

1. JOHN POTTS RODEN, a son. Mentioned in the will and called
John Roden Jr.
2. GREENBERRY RODEN, a son. Mentioned in the will. He was in
Williams County Tennessee in 1812, later moving to
Alabama.
3. SUSANNAH RODEN, a daughter. Mentioned in the will and
shown as a buyer at the vendue of the estate.
4. THOMAS RODEN, a son. Mentioned in the will.
5. ISSAC RODEN, a son. Mentioned in the will.
6. ANNE RODEN, a daughter. Mentioned in the will, shown as a
buyer at the vendue and also shown in the file papers as
MISS ANNE RODEN.
7. A deceased daughter, name unknown, who was the first wife
of FRANCIS WILKS, who is given a \$ 25.00 legacy in the
will, and MRS. WILKS is shown as having received \$ 25.00
advance in her father's lifetime.

NOTE: Admiral Bass, author of "The Wilks Genealogy," proved
that the first wife of Francis Wilks, married him ca. 1790
and died between 1800 and 1810. Francis Wilks married again
after 1816 and before 18 October 1817 to MARY THOMAS, with
whom he moved to Alabama in 1822. See This book, page 252.
The first wife signed a dower and there has been so far no
way in which to identify her by her first name.

8. SALLY RODEN, a daughter, wife of ABRAHAM BANISTER. She is
mentioned in the will.
9. JAMES RODEN, a son. Not mentioned in the will but shown
as a legatee in the estate file.
10. JOSHUA RODEN, a son. Not mentioned in the file, but shows
as a legatee in the file. Some years ago, when I first
examined this file, there was in it a Power of Attorney

from this Joshua "OF ALABAMA" to his brother James, empowering James to collect Joshua's share of the estate, but it is not there now. Sometimes papers are misplaced by searchers.

11. MARY RODEN, a daughter, married JAMES GILCHRIST. Not mentioned in will, but James Gilchrist shows as a legatee in the file and MARY shows as his wife in EQUITY FILE # 47, filed 1830.

12. MRS. BETSEY RODEN, shows in the file as a legatee, and though not mentioned in the will, it is logically the wife of a deceased son, which is the only way to account for her heirship, (unless she were a daughter who wed a RODEN cousin). There is a deed...DEED BOOK Z, Page 544, signed 18?? in which ELIZABETH (X) RODEN sells land allotted to her from estate of JOHN RODEN.

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