

April 19, 1985

Dear Haskell,

Well, we've finally settled into our temporary dwelling. The address is 221 Cypress Circle, Broomfield, CO 80020 and we should be here for about 6 weeks. It's nice enough but one gets the feeling of "early married". Our possessions include a bed (of course), 2 easy chairs, my computer & relevant files, books, etc., and a few pots, pans and dishes. At least there isn't much to dust and clean! It'll make for a nice change of pace between big moves. All the rest of our "personal possessions" are in storage.

I've had a chance to reread your last letter and to check my research materials. Awhile back I came upon a will of an "Edward Wenman," Carpenter of Calvert County, MD and I did not note my source. It is as follows:

To wife (unnamed) life interest in estate, real & personal (100 acres)
To son (John plantation at decease of mother); to pass to eldest daughters, Elizabeth & Mary in event of death of son (without issue).
Appoints wife executrix
Signed: Edward Wenman (no seal)
Made: 6 Oct. 1700. Probated: 24 April 1702.
Before: Wm. Parks, Dep. Com. Cal. Co.
Source: Wills, Liber 11, ff. 214-215.

I also found in LDS records the disbursement of the estate of a John Wenman by Mary Wenman, executrix dated November 11, 1750.

Please note on the chart I sent you previously that William (II) had the following children:

- William (III)
- Thomas (III)
- Henry (I)
- John (I)
- Rachel

NOT BORN & NOT MARRIED

- William (III) m. Hannah Winman, *True, but what Winman?*
- Thomas (III) m. ?
- Henry (I) m. ?
- John (I) m. Elizabeth, *question: Was she a sister of John Winman's first wife?*
- Rachel m. John Pritchett

John Winman's first wife of John Roben, died between 1713-1720 and

I indicated on my chart that my thinking was that John and Elizabeth were the parents of the South Carolina Rodens William, Thomas, Jeremiah and John. After thinking about it further, could this possibly be our scenario in regards to the deposition of 1795 (and yes, I do have a copy of it):

the mother of John, William, Sarah, Paddy & Samuel 2nd time to George Wade

John (son of Wm (II)) married Elizabeth Wenman daughter of Edward. Since Elizabeth was listed in Edward's will first, I am assuming she was older than Mary. John Winman died without issue and thus the property, etc went to Elizabeth who quite possibly had died too. Thus the property went to her oldest son William of South Carolina. Sister Mary was still living and had not married and was the executrix of John's will but did not inherit because she had not married and could not produce issue. The only big problem I can see about this is that John (I) was born 1708 and Elizabeth would have been born prior to 1700 (Edward Wenman's will dated Oct 1700) and could be 10 or more years older than John (I). My understanding is that frequently females WERE older than their spouses. The Hannah Winman I have indicated as the wife of William (III) could be a sister of John Winman not listed in Edward's will but I feel that most likely she is a cousin of John Winman.

John was not the oldest John was Mary's wife & he married Elizabeth

Let me know what you think of the above idea.

I received a response from the Maryland State Archives - copy enclosed. I do not need all the information they indicated so I will only order the items I have

19) Set my hand and seal this 22. Day of March Anno Domini 1749

signed sealed & delivered to the
last Will and Testament of the
Testator in Presence

Thomas ^{his} Arthurbury ^{Testator}
Mark

Jno James
Thos
Ann + Robinson
Mark
Thos Wood
Mark

On the Back of the aforesaid Will was thus
Written (viz)
Calvert County. June 16th 1749. Came John James and
Thos Wood two of the Subscribers to the within
Will and made oath on the holy Evangelists of
all mighty God that they saw the Testator Thomas
Arthurbury sign seal and deliver the within Instrument of Writing as his
last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to
the Best of their Knowledge and Apprehension of sound and perfect
mind Memory and understanding and that they the aforesd. John James
and Thos Wood as Witnesses Subscribed the said Will in the Presence
and at the request of the said Testator. Sworn before

Gabriel Carter
Deputy Com. of Calvert County

3:2 lines

In the Name of God Amen I Thos Woman of Calvert County in
the Service of many land planter being now in Perfect health in mind and
Memory thanks be given to God for the same and knowing not how soon
it may please the Lord of his great goodness to call me out of this World
being so desirous to settle things before my departure to make
this my last Will and Testament That is to say Principally and first
of all I Comend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and as
for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried at the Discretion
of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection
I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, and
as for my worldly Estate lands household goods and Moveables I give
and bequeath all and every thing that I am possessed with in this
World to my dearly beloved Wife Mary Woman and her heirs
forever and I do hereby make and Ordain her my Only and Sole
Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby

Note to say my Wife and her Heirs forever

Makes void and disallow all Wills Testaments bequests and
Executors before this time by named Will or bequeathed
Satisfying this and no Other to be my last Will and Testament
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this fifteenth day of June in the year of our Lord God One thousand
seven hundred and seventy seven. 1777 June 15th

signed read and Declared
in Presence of

John Wenman

John Howerton
Susanna Howerton
Dan Fraizer

On the Back of the aforesaid Will was
written (viz)
Calo County June 17th 1777. came John
Howerton, and Susanna Howerton, two of
the subscribing Witnesses to the within Will, and made Oath on the
holy Evangelists of Almighty God that to the best of their knowledge
and Remembrance they truly the Testator John Wenman sign
seal and declare the within Instrument of Writing as his last
Will and Testament and that at the time of this so doing he was
to the best of their knowledge and apprehension of sound and
perfect mind memory and understanding, and that they the
John Howerton, and Susanna Howerton as Witnesses Subscribed
the said Will in his Presence and at the request of the said Testator
and at the same time saw the other Witness Daniel Fraizer
sign the said Will as a Witness. Sworn before

Gabriel Barker
Dep. by (for) Calo County

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Calo County
The last Will and Testament of Sarah Davis
of the county of Calo is as follows (viz) I give and bequeath to my
Daughter Anne Davis all my good and effects whatsoever that my
said Daughter possess at my last death and being no more
I intend to be buried and my said the whole and sold to