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THE WILL OF WILLIAM WILLIAMS OF NORTH CAROLINA

In the Name of God Amen I WILLIAM WILLIAMS of the County of Granville in the province of North Carolina now being at Boonsborough in the colony of Transylvania and weak & sick of body but of perfect mind & memory thanks to Almighty God and calling to mind the uncertainty of this transitory life & that it is appointed once for all men to die do make & declare this to be my last Will & Testament in manner & form following that is to say

First My soul I Recommend to almighty God My saviour and Redeemer in whom & in whos Merits I trust assuredly to be saved & to have full Remission of all my sins & to Inherit Eternal life. My body I commit to the Ground to be decently buried at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as for the settling of my worldly Estate and such goods & chattles as it hath pleased God in his great mercy to bestow upon me. I Dispose of the same in manner & form following that is to say---

Item As I am considerably Indebted my Desire is that my Executors hereafter named proceed as soon as time and circumstances will permit to make a collection of all Debts due to me & the monies rising from such collections to apply towards Discharging such debts as I justly owe and if these monies are not sufficient for that purpose that they then sell & Dispose of an Improvement call Quins place & the money arising thereupon to apply to the same use and if that is not sufficient that then my Executors Dispose of so much of my personal Estate as shall answer the purpose of discharging all my Debts after which being done my Desire is that all the Rest & residue of my Estate both real & personal be appraised by three honest free holders by the Court appointed for that purpose & according to such appraisement my Estate to be Divided in the following manner towit,

That my loving Wife have and enjoy the manner plantation during her natural with two hundred acres of lands adjoining which plantation & two hundred acres of land after my wifes Deceas I leave to be Equally divided between my two sons JOHN & SAMUEL FARRAR according to quantity & quality. The Residu of my land whereon I now live I leave to be Equally Divided Immediately after my Debts being paid between my two sons JOHN & SAMUEL FARRAR. JOHN taking his first choice the aforesaid land to each one his own particuler part to them their heirs and assigns for ever. And after all my debts being paid and the Residue of my Estate both Real and personal being appraised as aforesaid that my loving wife, my three daughters MARY, BETSEY & SALLY each have paid to them by my two sons Afs. either in personal Estate at its prais vallue or in money to each one, one eighth part of the whole apprais value & all the rest & residue of my Estate to be Equally Divided between my two sons JOHN & SAMUEL FARRAR as afs. Notwithstanding the above bequests it is my will & Desire for the satisfaction of my securities that if any thing should happen, so that what I have left to be disposed of for the payment of my Debts should be insufficient then it is my Will & Desire that my Executors Dispose of and they are hereby Impowered to sell & Dispose of any part or parcel of my Real & personal Estate for the payment of my just Debts and the Residue of my Estate to be disposed of among my wife & children as nearly as may be to the aforesaid propotion and hereby appoint my loving wife Executrix, My two sons JOHN & SAMUEL FARRAR, My Brother JOHN WILLIAMS and my friend Col. Richard Henderson Executors of this my last Will & testament

WILL OF WILLIAM WILLIAMS CONTINUED:

hereby Revoking & Declaring this only to be

Made this twenty fifth day of December Anno

and known as
April 26, 1779.

Sealed pronounced &)
Declared in presents)
of us. --)

JNO. FLOYD
CHARLES WILLIAMS
BROMFIELD RIDLEY

for
ant.

Granville County

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Teste Reuben Searcy C.C.

November Court Anno Dom. 1777.
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The deposition of James Gay sworn taken at the law office of Messrs. J. Zuercher Minsheter & Co on Wednesday the 5th March 1856 according to process & notice to be read as evidence on behalf of Plaintiff in the suit Egan v. Egan pending in the Clerk's Court at which Solly P. Williams is Plaintiff and Richard S. Williams is Defendant. The deponent being of lawful age and first duly sworn deposes and says that

that he is acquainted with Sallie P. Williams and Richard S. Williams, that they have been married eleven or twelve years, they ^{have} lived in Clark County ever since they were married and they have five children, and the plaintiff is now living in Clark County, and was at the time of the bringing of this suit, and was for twelve months previous to the bringing of said suit, on the last of September 1854 while they were living in said County Richard S. Williams left his home and his wife and children and has never returned, and at the October Term of this Court 1854 attachments were sworn out against his estate, and this deponent followed said Richard S. Williams as far as Covington Kentucky, and the last he heard of said Williams was on the 7th of October 1854, and that he has never returned to this County, and he is now in California as he believes. That he has seen letters from him dated at California, in which letters he Williams, stated he never intended to return to ~~his~~ Kentucky. He left his home without telling them ^{his wife & family he} that intended going farther than

Clarke Circuit Ct.

John S. Williams, guardian of Mary Williams - Plaintiff

vs

Petition ordinary

Charles S. Lockman &

John B. Foster

Defendants

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The plaintiff, John S. Williams, guardian of Mary Williams says, that on the 4th day of January 1860, the defendants, Charles S. Lockman and John B. Foster, by their certain covenant in writing, by them severally signed with their proper names and signatures, jointly and severally, covenanted to and with the plaintiff, and agreed (amongst other things therein contained) in substance and to the effect that, they would, on or before the 25th of December next after the date of said writing, pay to the plaintiff, guardian of his daughter, Mary Williams, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, in consideration of the hire of a negro man, slave named Don, (the property of the said ward of the plaintiff) from the 4th of January 1860, until the said 25th of December 1860. They, the defendants also, therein covenanted, agreed and bound themselves, to and with the plaintiff, to clothe said slave suitably for the different seasons of the year, during said term of hire - and also, at the expiration of said term of hire, to return said slave to the plaintiff, in Winchester, Kentucky, then well clad.

And the plaintiff says, that the defendants, or either of them, have not kept and performed their said covenants, but have broken the same, in this, to wit, that the defendants, or either of them have not paid to the plaintiff, the said sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, or any part thereof, named in said writing - nor did the defendants, or either of them,

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territory and feeling ran high, so, before long, it became necessary to send Michael and his family into Virginia. They travelled thro' the mountains by carriage and it is thought remained in Virginia until after the close of the war. Still later he and his family returned to their home near Victoria, Texas, where he died, leaving many descendants, later generations of whom are living throughout southern Texas at the present time.

Two relics of those times and episodes are a knife and horn off a Texas long-horn ox. The knife was carried through the Mexican War by one of the Williams brothers, most probably by General Dick, and the horn is off one of the oxen they drove through from Texas to Kentucky.

These storied and bits of family history were told to me by my mother, Kate Stoner (Butler) Hawthorne. She was the daughter of George Washington Stoner, Jr., a brother of Michael, Colonel Robert G. Stoner, and Minerva Stoner-Williams.

April 15, 1950.

Elizabeth (Bess) L. Hawthorne.
La Place, Illinois.

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Elder Daniel Williams

The purpose of this review is to trace Elder Daniel Williams line and explore his family history. Also an attempt is made to determine if Mason Williams is related.

CONCLUSION

It has been possible to determine the father of Elder Daniel was Edward Williams. It appears that Edwards family came from Westmoreland Co. Va. Edward did serve three years in the Va. Continental Line. For that he received land in Kentucky.

According to family tradition, Edward lived in North Carolina and he did have some connection with South Carolina ...possibly he lived in both areas while serving with the Virginia Line.

His arrival in Ky. was in 1775...almost certainly with Daniel Boone.

DISCUSSION

The first record of Edward Williams in Kentucky is in the list of certificates from the Va. Land Commission. The Commission met in 1779-80 but it refers to land claimed by Edward in 1775.

(cert. issued for 1400) Edw'ds Williams by Isaac Hite this day claimed a settlement & preemption to a tract of land in the district of Kentucky on acct of raising a crop of corn in the country in the year 1775 lying on the waters of Floyds fork of Salt River about 5 or 6 miles from Bulletts Lick on the right hand of the path from the s'd Lick to Beargrass.....

This preemption was for 400 acres plus 1,000 acres. It will appear later in this review as a military deed and an early Va. Survey and Grant. There is no record in the Va. Land Comm. list of certificates but about the same time Edw. claimed two pieces of land on Lulebegrud Creek. The first two pieces were in Jefferson Co. and the second two in Fayette Co. (later to be in Montgomery Co.).

The following is a quote from Collins History of Kentucky:

The first visitors to any part of what is now Montgomery Co. were Wm. Calk and several others in company, in June, 1775...who went from Boonesborough, explored the land on South Mountain Creek but not below the mountain.

The next visitors and locators of whom any certain trace is preserved, were Benj. White, Nicholas Anderson, Edward Williams, Peter Harpfer, and 10 or 11 others in company.....

Another certificate in The Va. Land Comm. Book is for John Harper, 400 acres lying on south side of Lulebegrud Creek opposite the land of Edward Williams.

To pick up on the time it is believed that Edward Williams came to Kentucky, the following is from the Memoirs of Felix Walker;

I solicited my father to suffer me to go to Kentucky (which was then called Louizy) with Col. Richard Henderson....my father and myself set out to a treaty heldon the Wautauga in the month of February.

The treaty being finished and a purchase made, there associated and collected together about thirty men. Mr. William Twitty with six men and myself were from Rutherford....we rendezvoued at Long Island in Holstein. Colonial Daniel Boone was our leader and pilot.....twelve miles of Kentucky River when, on the twenty-fifty of March, 1775, we were fired on by the Indians while asleep in our camp; Mr. Twitty and his negro man killed, myself badly wounded....I was carried in a litter between two horses to the bank of the Kentucky River, where we stopped and made a station called it Boonesborough...

But let me not forget, nor never shall forget, the kindness, tenderness and sympathy shown me by Col. Daniel Boone. He was my father, my physician and my friend; attended me, cured my wounds, consoled me in my distress and fostered me as his own child.....

Col. Henderson was following the first group and arrived at Boonesborough in a few days with Col. Luttrell and Col. Slaughter (from Va.). On the first of April 1775, Daniel Boone sent a letter to Richard Henderson, then in route. In part it read:

On March the 25 a party of Indians fired on my company about half hour before day, and killed Mr. Twetty and his negro, and wounded Mr. Walker very deeply, but I hope he will recover.....signed Daniel Boone

In anoth^r part of his history, Collins lists men who were in Harrodsburg at least twenty days before Daniel Boone's Company reached the KY. river and laid the foundation for Boonesborough. Among others on that list were Edward Williams, David Williams and Isaac Hite.

There are two sources that list the early deeds for Edward Williams:

1.VA. SURVEYS AND GRANTS 1774-1791

<u>vol.</u>	<u>Orig. surv. #</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Watercourse</u>	<u>Survey Date</u>
18	4378	400	Jefferson	Floyd Fk.	6-27-1784
18	4379	1,000	Jefferson	Floyd Fk.	6-27-1784
18	4381	287	Fayette	Lulebegrud	3-16-1784
34	8593	400	Fayette	Lulebefrud	3-15-1784

2.OLD KY. SURVEYS AND DEEDS By: Jillson

A pg. 18	400	Military	Floyd Fk.	3-2 -1780
A pg. 146	1,000	Military	Floyd Fk.	6-24-1780
A pg. 91	200	Military	Lulebegrud	5-24-1780
A pg. 93	400	Military	Lulebegrud	5-24-1780

The military grants were for three years service as an Ensign in the Va. Army. Brother David served three years as Lieutenant in the same regiments.

The following is abstracted from Officers of the Continental Army 1775-83 by Heitman:

Williams, Edward (Va.) Sergeant 12th Va. 8th Jan., 1777; regiment designated 6th Virginia 14th Sept. 1778; Ensign 4th July, 1779; resigned 30 Dec., 1779.

Williams, David (Va) 2nd Lieutenant 12th Va. 20th Feb. 1777; 1st Lieut. 7th Mar. 1778; regiment designated 8th Va., 14th Sept., 1778; transferred to 3rd Va. 12th Feb. 1781; retired 1st Jan. 1783 (Died 8th November, 1831)

There appears to be some discrepancy in these records as both were given land based on three years of service. The time in the 12th and 8th regiment are about the same and add up to three years.

Montgomery Co., Ky: The following is from a newspaper article published about 1970. The quote is from a great grandson of Elder Daniel Williams:

VICTOR K. WILLIAMS
About 80 (Ret. Teacher)

...great grandfather was elder Daniel Williams...the first person to build a cabin and settle on the site now occupied by West Liberty, and the Moderator of the oldest Baptist Association in that part of the state, the Burning Springs Association.

Family tradition relates that Elder Williams came to Kentucky in 1775, helped to build the fort at Boonesborough and defend it against Indians, and fought at the Battle of Blue Licks Springs, August 1782 when 72 of the settlers were killed by Indians..

Elder Williams, originally from the Carolinas, fought in the Revolutionary War as a soldier from South Carolina and was at Holston Valley ~~WHEREHE~~.....

...when he came back to Ky, Elder Williams settled in Montgomery Co. and was the principal instrument in forming the Lulebegrud Church near Mt. Sterling in 1793....then settled in Morgan Co. about 1804.

The following records are from Mrs. Hazel Mason Boyd, as taken by her from the Montgomery Co. Court house;

Deed Bk. 3/51 Apr. 26, 1803
Edward Williams; son Daniel; dau. Susannah Williams; grandau. Nancy Williams

Deed Bk. 2/400 Feb, 1803
Edward Williams, wife Jemima, Montg. Co. to son Caleb Williams (112 acres on Lulebefrud, where Edward Williams lives)

Deed Bk. 4/486 1811
Caleb Williams of Montg. Co.
Daniel Williams of Floyd Co.
Joshua Williams of Floyd Co.

Deed Bk. 1/270 Aug. 25, 1794
Edward Williams (Jemima) to Daniel Williams for 30 pds. on Lulebefrud -
100 A (400 A preemp. of Ed. Williams, dated June 15, 1784)

Another record in Mrs. Boyd's family files notes; Daniel Williams m. Violet
Crouch - Boonesboro - circa 1775.

One last deed is included because it ties up some loose ends:

Deed Bk. 1/484 Sept. 21, 1795
Daniel Williams (Violet) and Edward Williams to Benj. Talbert on
Bush Creek - pt of 200A survey by Ed. Williams (sell 100A) - Benj corner
to Ed. Williams.

Between 1800 and 1805 there were a number of land disputes that included infor-
mation on Edward Williams. The following are some selected parts from depositions:

Dep. of Ambrose Coffee (taken in Montgomery county on January 29, 1805, before
Will. O'Rear and Aaron Hall); in the year 1779 I became well acquainted with
Edwin (sic) Williams, John Harper and Nicholas Anderson in the latter part
and in the beginning of the year 1780. I had frequently heard them say that
Edwin Williams has built a cabbon in headwater of Little Mountain on Hing-
ston creek. Sometime in the year 1780, being in the woods and came to this place
where Edwin Williams and his son Daniel Williams and John Harper and myself
lodged in said cabbin reported to be said Williams cabbin and said Williams told
me that he had built said cabbin, likewise the company that was present told me
the same, and I never heard that said Williams ever built any other cabbin in
order to procure land by but this one and it was a place of notoriety used
by Hunter? (in 1795 Edward Williams sold 100 acres of his land on Spencer to
Ambrose Coffee).

Dep. of Edwin Williams (taken at his own improvement in Montgomery Co. on May 9
1804 before Jacob Coons and Will O'Rear); On June 6, 1779 deponent, John Harper
Nicholas Anderson and others came from Boonesborough to this place and the comp-
any assisted him in building a cabbin at or near this place, where a stone is
planted marked "e.w.c."

Dep. of Daniel Williams (taken at the improvement of Edwin Williams in Montgomery
Co. on May 9, 1804 before Jacob Coons and Will. O'Rear).....he assisted in
getting the wedges out of the hollow tree mentioned in the depositions of
Edwin Williams and Nicholas Anderson, which he knew to be the wedges that
Edwin Williams brought to this country by the letters....My father deeded 100
acres of this land to me some years ago. I parted with the land for a con-
sideration and if it is lost or taken away by a prior claim, I am to return the
money without interest by obligation. (Fayette Co. court records)

In another land case there are depositions of Jesse Oldham and there are a number of
mentions of Ready Money Jack's place...the trace that led from Bryant's station pass-
ing Grant's station, crossing Stoner at mouth of Juston, Crossing Hingston where
Millersburg now stands, intersecting the trace leading from Boonesborough at a place
where a man called Ready Money Jack since lived."

SOUTH CAROLINA & NORTH CAROLINA

Family tradition, according to a great grandson of Elder Daniel, is , the family came out of South Carolina just before settling permanently in Ky. Also, according to family tradition, the family lived for a while in North Carolina....coming down from Virginia.

It is felt that during the time the family was in North and South Carolina, a number of trips were made before Edward and Daniel settled in Montgomery Co. In fact, a number of trips must have been made to Ky. while they were in Va. military service...remembering that Ky. was still part of Va. until 1792.

The first South Carolina deed of significance was in 1794. By 1794 Clark County had already been formed from Fayette and Bourbon (1792)...and 1794 was just before Isaac Williams, Mason's father started for Ky., when his wife Mary (Anderson) died on the way...and just before Montgomery Co. was formed in Dec. of 1796.

Spartanburg Co. S.C./ Deed Bk D p.303-305/ Dec. 22, 1794
Edward Williams gave to his son 784 ac. where Edward lives 24 cattle...
12 sheep, hogs, all beds, furniture and household goods, plows, hoes, axes
work tools, fire arms and sorrel horse 4'11"high and other horses.
Wit: Edward Curry signed by Edward Williams
Robert Cook

That sounds like a man getting ready to make a permanent move. Some other deeds in Spartanburg Co. were:

Spartanburg Co. S.C./ Deed Bk C p.32-35/ Dec. 8, 1784
Shadrach Nowland and wife Anna Stacy (96 Dist) to Edward Williams; 200ac.
on Suck (Buck) of Broad R..
Wit: Stephen Nowland Shadrach and Anna sign with marks
Reubin Warren

Above is an earlier deed but one witness, Reuben Warren appears in a later deed to be quoted and besides it help locate the activity.

Spartanburg Co. S.C./ Deed Bk P p.281-282/ Nov. 18, 1809
Isaac Williams to Robert Scruggs; 80 ac. for \$80 on waters of Thickety
Creek of Broad R.; adjoins the Cowpens; part of two tracks formerly belong-
ing to Edward Williams desc.
Wit: Leonard Adcock and Drury Scruggs signed by Isaac Williams

Above deed brings in Isaac, which may be the same Isaac that is Mason's father. Records in Montgomery Co. Ky. indicate Edward Williams died ca. 1805. He gave depositions in 1804 and by 1811 his land had been distributed. Another deed with Isaac;

Spart. Co. S.C./ Deed Bk. T p.202-203/ Feb. 9, 1825
Isaac Williams to Edward Williams; 190 ac. for 100 dollars on Suck (Buck)
Cr. of Broad R....Where Edward lives.
Wit: Robert Martin signed by Isaac Williams
John Martin

The above deed is believed to involve Edward, the son, of Edward Williams who died in Montgomery Co. Ky. Later you will see where the son Edward appears in Warren Co. N.C. where two descendents of Thomas C. (Mason's brother) are listed. Also the Isaac in the above deed could be different from Mason's father, Isaac.

SOUTH CAROLINA & NORTH CAROLINA...cont'd.

The next four deeds involve George and Edward...^{possibly} two sons of the older Edward. These sons remained in the Carolinas.

Spartanburg Co. S.C.

Deed Bk. H/ Jan. 17, 1801...George Williams to John Paris 100ac. for \$50 on both sides Long Br. Of Island Cr.

wit: William Hall signed Geo. Williams
John Williams

Deed bk. H/ Apr. 10, 1801...Geo. Williams to Matthew Abbett...350 ac. on Island Cr....lower end of 500 ac grant to Geo. Williams.

Wit: Reuben Warren signed Geo. Williams
William Adcock

Deed Bk. I/ Jan 20, 1803...Mathew Abbett to William Dobbins...290 ac for \$200 on both sides of Island Cr. of Pacolate R...incl an old house.

Wit: Wm. Abbett Jr. signed by Matthew Abbett
Richard Scruggs

Deek Bk. K/ Jan. 11, 1806...Joel Blackwell to Richard Scruggs...100 ac for \$40...on Island Cr. of Pacolate R....border Edw. Williams, Matthew Abbett and Robert Lee....part of a 500 ac grant to George Williams.

Wit: L. Adcock signed by J. Blackwell
William Dobbins

There is no proof that George and Edward are sons of Edward who died in Montgomery Co. Ky....In Ky. Edward had sons...Elder Daniel, Caleb and Joshua.

Going on to North Carolina we see names that could put Edward and Isaac's children together in Warren Co.

1820 Tax List/ Warren Co. N. C.

- Williams, Dr. G.
- Williams, Edw.
- Williams, Francis

The name Dr. G, appears in the Laurens Co. S.C. estate sale of John Williams (it is believed that this is the John Williams that married Cynthia Allen as Charles Allen is the executor). The name Francis appears in the will of Edward Williams in Westmoreland Co. Va....in a later part of the review...the name Joshua also appears there.

1830 Census/ Warren Co. N.C.

Williams, Dr. G.	601	Fishing
Williams, Edw	601	Fishing
Williams, John	601	Fishing
Williams, Thomas C.	578	Nutbush
Williams, Francis	578	Nutbush
Williams, Thomas J.	578	Nutbush

The above Thomas C. is Mason Williams brother..and two of Thomas C's children are listed below in the 1870 census.

1870 Census/ Warren Co. N. C.

Williams, Thomas C.	Age 35	Littleton P.O.
Williams, Mason	Age 30	Littleton P.O.

Worth noting following land records in Buncombe Co., N.C.

Date of Instrument	Book	Page	Grantee	Grantor
10-17-1796	S1 6	228	Isaac Williams 100 acres on Reems Creek	State of N.C. #245
12-2-1799	3	267	Edward Williams 55 acres on Cane Creek	State of N.C. #685
12-2-1799	S1 6	239	Edward Williams 50 acres Woods & Cane Creek	State of N.C. #686
7-13-1799	4	466	Thomas Felix Walker 640 acres, Raven Creek	State of N.C. #687
11-19-1800	S1 6	26	Daniel Williams	State of N.C. #377

The Book and page # is based on recording dates..but even those have similarities. Some of these people had other land records but these were selected to show the similarities....notice that Edward Williams and Felix Walker's N.C. numbers follow in sequence.

Edward and Isaac Williams recorded their land in the same book only ten pages apart...even though there was three years difference in the original date of the instrument.

Buncombe Co N.C was one of the "jumping off" points before entering KY. ...remember James Cope left there with his family in 1799.

12-13-1799	4	294	James Cope State 100 acres Bald Mtn/ Ivy Fork	State of N.C. #537
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then it was sold:

7-10-1800	5	181	William Rogers 100 acres on Little Ivy	James Cope
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"James P. Cope was born in Buncomb Co.N.C. in 1786. His father, James came to KY and settled on Quicksand Creek, Breathett Co. KY Mar. 1799"

This from Pioneer Ghost's of KY Rest in Peace John Jay Dickey...Dickey's Diary

Sarah Cope, sister of James P1 Cope, married Mason Williams...probably around 1800...Mason may have even come back with this group after his return from the 1796 trip.

VIRGINIA

It is believed that Edward Williams, or his father came from Westmoreland Co. Va.

There is one will on record in Westmoreland Co. that included names that are associated with Edward Williams:

26 Jan. 1733; 28 May 1734

WILLIAMS, EDWARD

- Bro. William Williams
 - Dau. of William; Sarah
- Bro. Joshua Williams
 - Dau. of Joshua; Elizabeth
- Br-in-law. Richard Hazelrigg
 - Dau. of Richard; Frances

Sections of Westmoreland have been taken to form; Prince William...Stafford... Fairfax and Fauquier. There are three families that have been selected because they are associated with the Williams family and they demonstrate a progressive move through these count ...some of them went on up into Penn. into Chester and Lancaster Cos. in the East and Westmoreland and Washington Cos. in the West. The families are:

1. Wright
2. Hazelrigg
3. Oldham

The Wright Family was in the Northern Neck by the late 1600's. Maj. Francis Wright married Anne Washington ca. 1680 in Westmoreland Co. Anne Washington was a sister to Capt. John Washington (great aunt and great uncle to George Washington who came later and was president). Jonas Williams was apprenticed to Capt. John Washington as a servant.

Westmoreland court order book from 1690 to 1698 p. 111d

At a court held for the sd county 29th day of Nov. 1693....Capt. Jno. Washington brought before this court one Jonas Williams his servant and pray'd. J'dgmt of his age, whic being considered by the court they doe adjuge him to be eleven years of age. And do order he serve according to law. (confirmation of age was a matter of procedure at that time)

This Jonas Williams later was in Prince William Co. and when he died, aroun 1749, he had accumulated an estate of some size. His daughter Ann married a great grandson of Maj. Frances Wright. It went like this:

- (1) Maj. Francis Wright b. ca. 1660 in Northumberland Co. m. Anne Washington in Westmoreland Co.
- (2) his son John Wright b. ca. m. Dorothy (Awbrey) in Prince William Co. Va.
- (3) his son Jphn Wright b. ca. 1707 in Westmoreland m. Elizabeth (Darnell?) and left a will in Fauquier co.
- (4) his son Capt. John Wright b. ca. 1757 m. Ann Williams in Fauquier co.

John Wright (2) the son of Maj. Francis Wright (1) had moved from Westmoreland to Leesylvania in Stafford (later Prince William. Co.). Jonas Williams had located near Midland (later in Fauquier Co.)....however, their land adjoined.

Maj. Francis Wright had married a second time and by this wife had a son Richard, as a child was given land in 1714, located in Westmoreland Co., by his half brother John Wright.

Later there was litigation by Richard over his property. Among other things in the suit there was this....that "Maj. Wright on his deathbed desired his son John Wright to give Hazelrigg's plantation to his brother Richard...."

There is a good bit of complicated family material, including this suit, in Tyler's Quarterly #1.

John Wright (4) also had litigation with his mother-in-law, Honour Williams over things he claimed she promised him when he married her daughter, Ann. Honour (widow of Jonas) had another daughter, Sarah, who married George Wheatley. George Wheatley also sued his mother-in-law, Honour. Among other things, George got the slave Phillis that John Wright wanted.

John Wright and Ann had 18 children that lived to maturity. The family moved to Surry Co., N.C. George Wheatley and Sarah moved to Wilkes Co., N.C.,

The Wright family is covered in Tylers Vol. 1 and in a set of books The Washington Ancestry by Edward Lee McLain (3 vols.).

There is one earlier Jonas Williams who lived in Richmond Co. Va. near the border of Westmoreland Co....it is possible that he is the father of the above Jonas.

The Hazelrigg Family intermarried with the Williams family...the sister of Edward Williams was married to Richard Hazelrigg as indicated in Edward's will of 1733 (already given).

The following is from the Hazelrigg family file in the Ky. Historical Society:

Richard hazelrigg sells land inherited from his father, James, in Westmoreland. Co.Va....Westmoreland Co. deed Bk. 10, p.21; 29 May 1744.

Richard Hazelrigg will...Fredrick Co. Va. Will Bk 2 p. 217
sons; William, James, John and Abel.

James (an exec. of fathers estate) sells land in Prince William Co. Va. Wife; Eliz; son Joshua....Pr. Wm Co. Va. Deed Bk. V p. 145 1 May, 1780

James Hazelrigg and family leave Va. for Ky. via Washington. Co., Pa in 1784. Confirmed by pension records of David Snowden (Penn. Line) who married Nancy Hazelrigg dau. of James Hazelrigg (oath of Eli Hazelrigg; Bath Co. Ky.)

In Jillson's Old Kentucky Entries and Deeds James Hazelrigg entered 8,000 acres in Fayette co. Boones creek in 1786...only a little over 4,000 acres were actually surveyed...this was later in Madison Co.

Joshua Hazelrigg named as son in deed of James Hazelrigg; 1 May 1780. Pr. Wm Co. Deed Bk. V p. .45.

Joshua hazelrigg war service..muster rolls relating to the Association of Militia of the co. of Chester, Pa. 4th Battalion of Chester Co. Militia commanded by Lt. Col. Richard Willing.....also 3rd Battallion of Wash. Co. Militia, Lt. Col John Marshall commanding.

Joshua b. 4 Dec. 1760/ family Bible record.

Joshua m. Frances Wright..31 Jan. 1788 daughter of Joseph and Frances Wright/
family Bible record.

1830 County Court records of Morgan Co. Ky....James G. Hazelrigg made clerk of court .
Bonded by; John Cox Isaac Lykins
 Mason Williams James Mc Guire
 John Williams David Fannin
 Joseph Nickell

4 July 1876 Address given in West Liberty, Morgan co. Ky. by John T. Hazelrigg....
the following comments were made, among others;

" Daniel Williams settled upon the present site of West Liberty about the year 1805, and cleared out a farm, he was a Baptist preacher and preached the first sermon ever delivered in the county. He left a numerous posterity who constitutes a large proportion of our population...."

"Mason Williams, senator from 1839-1843, and representative in 1847 has gone to the great beyond. yet his memory is as fresh and green among the people of Morgan as the verdure that bedecks their mountain sides, distinguished for his good qualities of head and heart, his memory will ever be fondly cherished by our people"

The Oldham Family first arrived in this country in Plymouth according to Mr. Miller in his History and Genealogies:

"The theological differences between Rev. John Syford and John Oldham with the Plymouth colonists terminated in 1627, by the exclusion of Syford, Oldham, Roger Williams and some seventy others of the colony.....

Mr. Miller goes on to say that John Oldham, of Plymouth New England, was murdered by the Indians in his Shallup, in Narragansett Bay, off the coast of Block Island in 1636. At the time he had two sons with him in the trading vessel (Shallup). Their names were John and Thomas.

- The son John
- had a son Thomas
- Thomas had a son
- Col. Samuel Oldham of Westmoreland Co. Va.
had a son
- William of Prince William Co. Va.

The wife of William Oldham of Prince William tradition says, was Miss. _____ Basey, and their children moved to Caswell Co., N.C. and part of them...from North Carolina to Ky. They were:

1. Jesse Oldham; married Elizabeth Simpson (sister to Nathaniel Hart's wife) settled in Caswell County, North Carolina, emigrated from there to Kentucky and settled on Otter Creek, near Boonsborough, in Madison Co. where he died in 1814, of whom more is said...
2. George....
3. Moses....
4. Conway (killed at Eutaw Springs Sept. 8, 1781)
5. James....
6. Richard Oldham, born March 17, 1745, in what was in 1759 Fauquier Co, Va. which county was cut out of Prince William County. He married Ann Pepper in N.C. and died in Estill Co., Ky., in 1834.....
7. Capt. John Oldham born Nov. 10, 1757. He married Ann Rice, Daughter of Hezekiah Rice and Mary Bullock, in Caswell Co, N.C. Feb. 24, 1783. He died in Estill Co. Ky. Nov. 17, 1831, on the Kentucky River just below mouth of Drowning Creek.....

Jesse (1) Oldham died in Madison Co. Ky. in 1814 has a will in Book B p38. It is signed and sealed in the presence of; Daniel Williams
Frances Hally
Nancy (X) Hally, Betsy Hally

Richard Oldham, son of Jesse Oldham and Eliz. Simpson, his wife, married in N.C. a daughter of Henry Williams. A report made Oct. 20, 1807....appointed Richard Oldham, of the division of negroes of Henry Williams, deceased, that were in the hands of said Oldham...to be divided between the children of Richard Oldham and first wife, Ursley.....(Ursley died 26 July 1803.)

This Richard Oldham was known as "Ready Money".

" Ready Money Richard Oldham, served it seems in the Revolutionary war, and the war of 1812, certainly in the latter. He was an officer of the Ky. Militia from 1808 to 1821. he was first Lt. May 3, 1808 of the seventh Inf. Capt. Dec. 1, 1809 Maj. of the seventeenth Inf. April 19, 1814, honorably discharged June 15, 1815 was of the Ky. State Militia March 9, 1819 honorably discharged June 1, 1821. He went from Virginia to Caswell Co. N.C. Thence after the Revolution to Madison Co. Ky. and settled on Otter Creek, and acquired considerable real estate on Otter Creek, and the River adjacent to Boonsborough, his home was near that of Jesse Oldham, his father. He was a prosperous man financially. He died on his estate June 17, 1836, his will dated April 13, 1835, was probated July 4, 1836....."

Richard Oldham (6) brother to Jesse Oldham....had a son Richard Oldham, who married in Madison Co., Ky. Nov 2, 1824. Sallie Williams. He settled in Montgomery Co. Ky. and was known as Montgomery Co. Richard Oldham. Richard and Sallie (Williams) Oldham had a daughter who married (second husband) George Hazelrigg, the father of Judge James H. Hazelrigg...they had two children Ida and Duck.....

Worth mentioning...in Jan 1730 Henry Williams married Priscilla Oldham, widow of William Oldham. Children of Henry and Priscilla Williams:

Sarah b. Dec. 1730
John b. June 1733
Isaac b. Dec. 1735
Menas and Cilla b. Mar 1744

Priscilla had only one child by William Oldham...also named William.

Priscilla (Oldham) Williams was born Priscilla McLaughlin..daughter of Menas and Elizabeth McLaughlin.

The activity of these two families took place in North Farnham Parish in Richmond County Virginia....the same home parish of Rawleigh Williams whose descendents are well known in Montgomery Co., KY:

-Rawleigh Williams...his son
-Gen'l. Samuel L. Williams...his son
-Gen'l. John S. (Cerro Gordo) Williams

Mason Williams is believed to be related to the Elder Daniel Williams family by people in Eastern Ky. that have connections to the two family...that is people of Morgan and Magoffin co., in particular. These are some of the things that might tie to two together:

-Mason Williams first appears in Ky. on the Montgomery Co. tithable list along with John, Daniel and Edward Williams.

-Mason Williams was in the 1810 census of Floyd Co.Ky. along with Daniels' brother, Joshua.

-Elder Daniel Williams was founder of the Burning Springs Baptist Assoc.... Mason participated in that group as a Baptist Preacher,,,along with Elijah Prater, Lewis Power, B. Caudill and Wallace Bailey.

-Mason Williams moved to West Liberty in Morgan Co. from Floyd Co....Elder Daniel and the Hazelrigg family also moved there.

-There is a tradition passed along in Mason Williams family about a bucket of gold that was lost by John T. Williams...John T. was a grandson of Elder Daniel Williams.

There are probably other things that might be considered but none of them actually prove a family relationship.

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