

**THE KIDDS OF BUCKINGHAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA,
1761-1863
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INTRODUCTION

This document is a compendium (or inventory) of all historical records found to date that mention one or more individuals with the surname of Kidd in Buckingham County, Virginia from the time of its founding in 1761 through 1863.

We began the ambitious task of producing these documents for over twenty Virginia counties with several objectives:

1. To find virtually every existing record mentioning the surname of Kidd in these Virginia counties prior to 1850;
2. To analyze these records and ascertain (if possible) whether the individuals are descendants of the Thomas Kidd who arrived in the Virginia colony by 1648, and if so, their line of descent; and
3. To distinguish between proven, documented relationships and those which are widely shared and held to be accurate, but for which proof is minimal or non-existent.

Buckingham County and its records

Buckingham County was created on 1 May 1761 from Albemarle County.

Albemarle County had been formed in 1744, and its boundaries were the same as those of St. Anne's Parish. In 1757, two new parishes, Tillotson and Amherst, were created from parts of St. Anne's parish. Tillotson Parish contained the lands south of the James River. Amherst Parish was further to the west.

In 1761, Albemarle County was divided, creating the new counties of Buckingham and Amherst; the area covered by Tillotson Parish became Buckingham County, and that of Amherst Parish became Amherst County.



FIGURE: Circa 1820 map of central Virginia. Buckingham County is in the mid-lower left of this image, lying south of Albemarle and Fluvanna counties. The entire northern boundary of Buckingham County, seen meandering above, is the James River, separating Buckingham from Nelson, Albemarle and Fluvanna counties.

Buckingham County suffered extensive records loss in a Courthouse fire in 1869. One plat book and a few colonial title lists are all that survived, along with Personal Property Tax Lists and Land

Tax Lists from 1782 forward. The latter survived because copies had been sent to the Commonwealth. Researchers have combed the records from surrounding counties and other sources to discover limited additional information about Buckingham County. See our sources appendix at the end of this document and the wiki for Buckingham County at familysearch.org for more details about existing records and publications.¹

In 1845, Appomattox County was formed from part of Buckingham County (along with parts of Prince Edward, Charlotte, and Campbell Counties.)

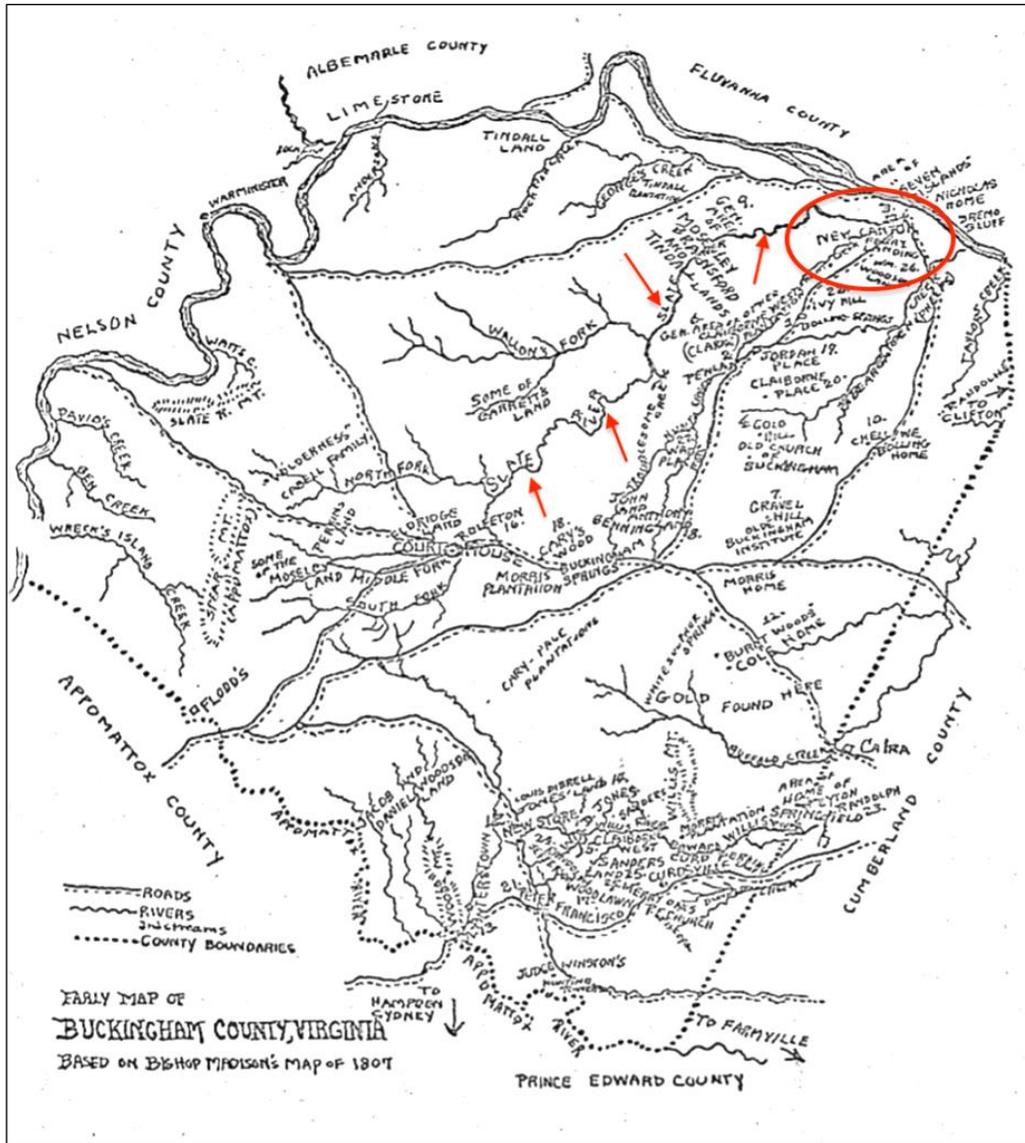


FIGURE: Facsimile map of Buckingham County in 1807. New Canton (where several early Kidd families lived in Buckingham County) is denoted by the oval in the upper right corner, just south of the James River. The Slate River (another Kidd family location) courses north and east, just west of New Canton, marked by arrows.

¹ https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Buckingham_County,_Virginia_Genealogy

This document is a compilation of the few identified public records from Buckingham County related to individuals with the Kidd surname, sorted by their given names. When more than one person shared a given name, we have attempted to identify different individuals by their context within the records; when that is not possible, we've left the data elements under one name, while recognizing that those facts may represent more than one person.

EARLY KIDD FAMILIES IN BUCKINGHAM COUNTY

As noted above, Buckingham County was formed in May 1761. The first surviving record for Buckingham County that we have found is a fragment of a 1764 tithables list, which contains only tithable household surnames beginning with the letters A-G. **Moses Kidd** appears on this list, because he was resident in an Anderson household. Two colonial tithe lists from 1773 and 1774 list the names of **Moses Kidd, Samuel Kidd, James Kidd, John Kidd, Benjamin Kidd, and two William Kidds**.

After review and analysis of the records for these early Kidds of Buckingham County, we have concluded that **James Kidd, son of William and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County, VA and grandson of Thomas and Jane Kidd of Middlesex County, VA**, is the patriarch of a large Kidd family that settled in the northeastern corner of Buckingham County, on Phelps Creek, also known as Bear Garden Creek, near New Canton.

Of the seven Kidd tithables named on the 1764, 1773, and 1774 lists, five are associated with one family: **James Kidd and his four known sons Moses, John, Benjamin, and William Kidd**. James Kidd patented 200 acres north of the Slate River in Albemarle County in 1760, which became part of the new Buckingham County the following year in 1761. His land lay near Bear Garden Creek.

The parents of the early **Samuel Kidd** and the second **William Kidd** are not known. However, given the timeframe – 1740s to 1750s – that these men would have been born, it is very likely that they are also grandsons of **William Kidd of Middlesex County**.

See [Appendix Two](#) for a summary of Thomas Kidd descendants who settled in central Virginia.

SOME TIPS ON USING THIS DOCUMENT

Sources used in the creation of this document are listed in [Appendix One](#).

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Names in **RED FONT** have been added to the Family Tree that we are constructing on Ancestry.com; it includes all the DOCUMENTED descendants of Thomas1 Kidd of Middlesex County, Virginia, along with other Kidd family patriarchs whose connection to Thomas1 Kidd is at present unknown. This tree can be found at: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/37652986/family> You may have to copy this URL and paste it into your browser to reach this tree. Once there, be sure to look in the Media Gallery of these individuals, to see what documents and other sources have been added.

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS COMPILATION

PPTL(s) = Personal Property Tax List(s)

LTL(s) = Land Tax Lists

EXPLANATION OF THE GENERATIONAL NUMBERING SYSTEM WE USE

Before you get started, an explanation of the numbering system we have used in this document is in order: The number following an individual's name in this compilation indicates the number of generations relative to our common ancestor, Thomas1 Kidd. Thus, for example, "George4 (Benjamin3, William2, Thomas1)" is short-hand for "George Kidd, 4 generations down from Thomas the immigrant, and the son of Benjamin3, grandson of William2, etc."

Again, the numbers used in this system refer to the generation of each named individual, relative to Thomas1 Kidd, the patriarch of our Kidd family.

Our Kidd ancestors favored several English given names, and repeated them in each generation; James, John, and William were used in nearly every generation, in multiple branches of a family. In order to separate these individuals with shared names but in the same location and generation, we have arbitrarily listed them as James5a, James5b, etc.

AND NOW, TO THE KIDDS OF BUCKINGHAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA!

AN ALPHABETICAL LISTING OF ALL BUCKINGHAM COUNTY KIDDS, BY GIVEN NAME, THEN CHRONOLOGICAL APPEARANCE

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In each entry below, each individual's name is spelled as it appears in the record cited.

[UNKNOWN] KIDD

1789 – 23 Nov 1789 Survey for John Ford, 48 acres on a branch of the Slate River, adjoining Nancy Howard, **Kid**, and the lines of John Ford.²

1805 – 23 Aug 1805 Survey for Richard Cottrell, 22 acres adjoining the lines of **Kidd** and Cottrell's own lines.³

ABSALOM KIDD(s)

Two Absalom Kidds are found in on Buckingham County personal property tax lists (PPTLs).

ABSALOM KIDD, parents unknown

Born by 1765

Married Lettice Owen(s) in 1786 in Buckingham County

Likely died by 1815 in Buckingham County, after which his widow is said to have moved to Highland County, OH

1786 – On 29 December 1786, the marriage of **Absalom Kidd** to Lettice Owen(s), by Baptist minister Rev. Rene Chastain, Jr., is recorded in Chastain's personal papers.⁴ The marriage bond, said to be found in surviving Buckingham County marriage bonds, lists the bondsman as **Jesse Kidd**, witness John Nicholas, J.P.⁵

1787-1815 – **Absalom Kidd** first appears as a head of household on the 1787 Buckingham County PPTL. He continues to appear on these lists through 1795, as outlined in the Table below. In 1796, a second Absalom appears, listed in the household of John Kidd Senr., as one of four taxable males. In 1797, this Absalom Kidd is listed as "Absalom, son of Jno" to distinguish him from the older Absalom Kidd.

YEAR	NAME	W Tithes	B >16	B <16	HORSES	COMMENTS
1787	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	1	image 123 ⁶

² *Buckingham County, VA Surveyors Plat Book, 1762-1858*, by Eric G. Grundset, Clearfield Publishing, Baltimore MD, 2011.

³ *Buckingham County, VA Surveyors Plat Book, 1762-1858*, by Eric G. Grundset, Clearfield Publishing, Baltimore MD, 2011.

⁴ "Diary of Rev. Rene Chastain Jr.," *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, pp 46,66

⁵ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 47

⁶ This column lists the microfilm image number on which each year's PPTL entry is found, on FHL #30687 (1787-1809) and #30688 (1810-1816).

1788	Absolum Kidd	1	0	0	1	141
1789	Absolam Kidd	1	0	0	1	159
1790	Absalom Kid	1	0	0	1	185
1791	Absolam Kid	1	0	0	1	196
1792	Absolam Kid	1	0	0	1	217
1793	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	2	238
1794	Absolum Kid	1	0	0	1	263
1795	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	1	284
1796	John Kidd Senr.	4	1	0	3	314; "Sam, Abs. & Wm"
1797	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	1	314
1797	Absolam Kidd	1	0	0	1	338; "son of Jno."
1798	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	1	355
1799	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	2	380
1800	Absalom Kidd	1	1	0	2	400
1801	Absalom Kidd	1	1	0	2	424
1802	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	1	453
1803	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	1	483
1804	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	1	515
1805	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	1	555
1806	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	2	585
1807	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	2	605
1808	no tax statewide					
1809	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	1	655
1810	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	1	14
1811	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	1	64
1812	Absalem Kidd	1	0	0	1	82
1813	Absalom Kidd	2	0	0	1	115
1814	Absalom Kidd	2	0	0	1	170
1815	Absalom Kidd	1	0	0	1	238
1816	drops from PPTLs					

TABLE: Buckingham County PPTLs listings for Absalom Kidd, 1787-1815

1793 – On 29 August 1794, in a case titled “*Commonwealth vs Dudley Street*,” Robert Burton, a batteau captain, identifies **Absalom Kidd** as having worked in his company on the James River around “April last” [1794]. Absalom Kidd also gives testimony in the case, having been summoned by the defendant Dudley Street. The case was to prosecute an alleged theft of tobacco from a James River warehouse at Cartersville VA [present-day Cumberland County].⁷

⁷ “Tobacco Inspection at Cartersville, Cumberland County, VA or Commonwealth vs Dudley Street,” by William

- 1801 – April, **Ab^m Kidd** was a defendant named in a court order “executing caps” [execution of capias], meaning that the sheriff was to bring him to court, reason not known. [Note: this reference is found in the legal papers of Buckingham County attorney Archibald Austin, which are held at the College of William and Mary].⁸ Note: This record could belong to the older or younger Absalom Kidd.
- 1810 – An **Absolum Kidd** appears on the 1810 Buckingham County census listed immediately after Henry Kidd and before Shadrack Kidd:
Absolum Kidd HH: 2 WM under 10 & 1 WM 26-44; 4 WF under 10, 2 WF 16-25, 1 26-44, 1 WF 45 and up. No slaves.
Note: This is likely the older Absalom Kidd, given the number of children in the household (also see 1820 below).
- 1813-1814 – In these two years, **Absalom Kidd** has a second tithable male in his household, likely one of his sons now of taxable age.
- 1815 – **Absalom Kidd** drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs after 1815, and we believe that he died in the 12-month interval between the 1815 and 1816 PPTLs.
His widow, Lettice/Letty never appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs (see census entry below).
- 1820 – **Letty Kidd [widow of Absalom Kidd]** appears on the 1820 Buckingham County census in New Canton.
Letty Kidd HH: 4 WF under 10, 1 WF 16-25, 1 WF 26-44, 1 WF 45 and over. Number of persons engaged in agriculture: 1.
Listed two HHs before Letty Kidd is William Kidd:
William Kidd – 1M<10, 1 10-15 & 1>44; 4F<10, 1 10-15 & 1 26-44. Three female slaves.
Following Letty’s HH entry are Joseph Kidd and James Kidd:
line 14: Joseph Kidd – 1M 26-44. No others and no slaves.
line 16: James Kidd – 1M 26-44; 1F 16-25 & 1>44. Five slaves.
The relationship of these Kidds to Letty Kidd, if any, is not known.
Note: According to family tradition, Letty Kidd is said to have moved to Highland County, Ohio, with some of her children after her husband Absalom’s death. A Joseph Kidd is found on the 1830 Highland County, OH census, and a Joseph Kidd and a James H. Kidd are both found on the 1840 and 1850 Highland County, OH censuses.

ABSALOM KIDD, son of John Kidd of Tillotson Parish in Buckingham County

Absalom⁵ (John⁴, James³, William², Thomas¹) Kidd

Born about 1780

- 1796 – In 1796, the household of John Kidd Senr, with four male tithes, includes the notation “**Abs, Sam, Wm**” [see above table for Absalom Kidd(s) on the PPTLs], and, in 1797, a second

Shepard, *The William and Mary College Quarterly Historical Magazine*, Vol 14, No 3, July 1934, pp. 198-200, Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture.

⁸ *Early Buckingham County Virginia Legal Records 1765-1806, Accounts and Legals transcribed from the Austin-Tnyman Collection of the Earl Swem Library, College of William and Mary*, compiled and transcribed by Jeanne Stinson, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1993, p. 17

Absalom appears, listed as **Absalom Kidd**, "son of John". This suggests that Absalom was born about 1780.

Date	Person Name entered with the Tax	How listed	Number	Value	Abbr. 12	Abbr. 12	Abbr. 12
1797 June 6	Kidd John Sr.	Wm. Kidd	2	1	0	4	
	Kidd Absalom (son of Jno.)		1	0	0	1	
	Kidd Sherwood (do do)		1				
	Kidd Archibald do do		1				
	Kidd Edmund		1	1			
7	Kidd Lewis		1	0	0	1	
	Kidd William Sr.		1	1	0	1	
	Kidd John (son of Wm.)		1	0	0	2	
27	Kidd Moses	Res. Charles	2	5	1	3	
20	Kidd William (son of Jno.)	Wm. Hissop	2	0	0	2	
Aug 8	Kees Bush		1				
14	Kincaid Robert	Nathan Bryer	2	17	1	11	

FIGURE: 1797 Buckingham County PPTL, District 1: John Kidd Sr. is listed first, enumerated on June 6. Also enumerated that day were "Absalom (son of Jno.)," "Sherwood (ditto, ditto)", "Archibald (ditto, ditto)", and Edmund (without the dittos). These are John Kidd, Sr. and his sons, all enumerated the same day.

1800 – **Absalom Kidd** appears on a list of Buckingham County militia dated 11 Mar 1800, along with Archer, Sherwood, William, Edmund, and Lewis Kidd.⁹ Sent from the Buckingham Court, the document was addressed to The Honorable James Madison, Richmond. The one-page document contains recommendations for the Buckingham County militia officers and a list of militia members.

1801 – April, **Ab^m Kidd** was a defendant named in a court order “executing caps” [execution of capias], meaning that the sheriff was to bring him to court, reason not known. [Note: this record is part of the legal papers of Buckingham County attorney Archibald Austin, which are held at the College of William and Mary].¹⁰ Note: This record could belong to the older or younger Absalom Kidd.

⁹ Governor’s Office Militia Commission Papers, 1800, Buckingham County, Virginia: "Buckingham, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QHV-V3DW-H3HC?view=fullText> : Feb 19, 2025), image 29 of 29; . 008713716

¹⁰ *Early Buckingham County Virginia Legal Records 1765-1806, Accounts and Legals transcribed from the Austin-Tryman Collection of the Earl Swem Library, College of William and Mary*, compiled and transcribed by Jeanne Stinson, Iberian Publishing Co,

**ANNA (possibly Nancy) KIDD SMITH, the daughter of James Kidd of Slate River,
Buckingham County
Possibly married in 1790 to Platt Smith**

1790 – On 15 Dec 1790, the marriage of **Anna Kidd** to Platt Smith, by Baptist minister Rev. Rene Chastain, Jr., is recorded in Chastain’s personal papers.¹¹ Apparently this marriage was performed in Buckingham County.

1803 – **Nancy Smith** was named as a sibling of Moses Kidd and plaintiff with his other siblings in the Chancery suit over Moses Kidd’s estate in *Kidd v Kidd*.¹² No husband was named for Nancy Smith in the suit, so she may have been widowed at the time of the suit. [See [Appendix Three](#).]

**ANN(E) KIDD, wife of William Kidd, Sr., the son of James Kidd of Slate River,
Buckingham County
Known sons are William Jr., Robert, and Shadrack**

1807-1819 – **Ann(e) Kidd** appears annually on the Buckingham County PPTLs. (There was no tax statewide in 1808.) In 1810, she is listed as Mary Anne (with the word “Mary” struck through). **Robert Kidd** and **William Kidd** are named as Ann’s sons on the PPTLs. In 1812, “Ann and son Robert” are listed; in 1813, “Ann and son” [not named, but is likely Robert] are listed. In 1817, Robert appears on the line following Ann, and in 1819, Ann is followed by “William, s[on] of Ann.”

See the Table below for her listings on the Buckingham County PPTLs:

Year	NAME	WT 16+	Black Tithes	Horses	Notes	Image
1807	Anne	1	2 16+ 2 <16	3 H	FHL #30687	605
1808					No tax statewide	
1809	Anne	0	1 16+	1 H		655
1810	Mary Anne	0	1 16+	1 H	FHL #30688	14
1811	Not listed					
1812	Ann and son R.	1	1 16+	1 H	R means Robert	82
1813	Ann and son	1	1 16+	1 H		116
1814	Not listed				See William’s estate	170
1814	William’s Est	0	2	2	Likely Ann in HH	170
1815	Ann	0	1	1		238
1816	Ann & sons ¹³	2	1	2		

Athens GA, 1993, p. 17

¹¹ “Diary of Rev. Rene Chastain Jr.,” *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, p 48

¹² Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al v.* Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al.* 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

¹³ The 1816 PPTL for Buckingham County is missing from the reel containing all the other PPTLs from this era. However, it was filmed with the Buckingham LTLs (the same commissioner took both lists), and this PPTL was abstracted from that reel (FHL #29902, image 536. See scanned image of this in the Buckingham Source Documents folder.

Year	NAME	WT 16+	Black Tithes	Horses	Notes	Image
1817	Ann	0	1	1	next on list is Robert	286
1818	Ann	0	0	1	Next on list is "Wm (s—of Ann)"	304
1819	Ann	0	0	1		340

1813 – **Ann Kidd** is listed on the Buckingham County LTLs as living on the Moses Kidd estate near New Canton 25 miles east of the CH. In 1814, this property is listed under William Toney. In 1834, William and Ann’s sons Shadrack and Robert had possession of 70 acres of the Moses Kidd estate, which they sold to F.B. Dean, according to the Buckingham County LTLs.

1814-1847 – In 1814, the Estate of William Kidd, charged for 100 acres on Phelps Creek near New Canton, appears on the LTLs. The estate, which apparently was in the possession of William and Ann’s sons Shadrack and Robert, continues to be listed through 1847.

1833-1834 – In 1833, through a Sheriff’s sale, 50 acres of William Kidd’s land was sold to Daniel [?] Gough. In 1834, again through a Sheriff’s sale, 29 acres of this land was sold to Glover Gough. [Gough also appears as Goss/Goff.] Sheriff’s sales often indicate financial insolvency, such as defaulting on a trust deed [mortgage or loan] or unpaid taxes.

1835-1847 – The estate’s remaining 21 acres is taxed to the unnamed “legatees”; this land was sold to Robert N. Hocker in 1844.

BUCKINGHAM COUNTY LTLs FOR WILLIAM KIDD AND KIDD ESTATE, 1782-1847

Year	Acres	Notations on LTLs
1782	100	William, son of James
1787-1793	100	William, son of James
1794-1812	100	William [son of James no longer noted]
1813	100	“non resident”
1814-1822	100	William Kidd Estate, residence near New Canton 25 mi E of CH
1823-1832	100	William Kidd Estate, Phelps Cr 25 mi E of CH
1833	50	50 acres conveyed to Daniel (?) Gough by Sheriff’s sale
1834	29	29 acres conveyed to Glover Gough by Sheriff’s sale
1835-1847	21	William Kidd Estate “Legatees,” Phelps Cr 25 m E of CH
1846	21	21 acres conveyed to Robert N. Hocker
1848		William Kidd Estate drops from the lists in 1848

It is not known when Ann Kidd died. She apparently did not remarry after William’s death.

ARCHIBALD/ARCHER KIDD, son of John Kidd of Tillotson Parish in Buckingham County
Archibald⁵ (John⁴, James³, William², Thomas¹) Kidd

Born by 1775¹⁴

Died or migrated out of the county after 1836¹⁵

May have migrated to Wayne County, IN

1797-1836 – **Archibald Kidd** (also identified as **Archer Kidd**) first appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs in 1797 as a household head in 1797, listed as “Son of Jno.”

Date	Persons Name charged with the Tax	Incl. list	W ^{>16}	B ^{<12}	Horses	Value
1797 Jan 6	Kidd John Senr.	Wm Kidd	2	1	0	4
	Kidd Absalom (son of Jno)		1	0	0	1
	Kidd Sherwood (do do)		1			
	Kidd Archibald do do	←	1			
	Kidd Edmund		1	1		
7	Kidd Lewis		1	0	0	1
	Kidd William Senr		1	1	0	1
	Kidd John (son of Wm)		1	0	0	2
27	Kidd Moses	Robt. Quarles	2	3	1	3
20	Kidd William (son of Jno)	Wm Hays	2	0	0	2
Aug ^o 8.	Kees Hugh		1			
14	Kincaid Robert	Nathan Ayers	2	17	1	11

Archibald Kidd continues to be listed on the Buckingham County PPTLs almost annually through 1836, after which he drops from them, and does not reappear. See the Table below:

YEAR	NAME	W Tithes	B >16	B <12	Horses	COMMENTS
1797	Archibald Kidd	1	0	0	1	image 338; "son of Jno."
1798	Archer Kidd	1	0	0	0	355
1799	Archer Kidd	1	0	0	1	380
1800	Archer Kidd	1	0	0	1	400
1801	Archibald Kidd	1	0	0	1	424
1802	Archibald Kidd	1	0	0	1	453
1803	Archibald Kidd	1	0	0	1	483

¹⁴ Judging from his 1820 federal census entry, where he's found in the New Canton district of Buckingham county, age 45 or older. Also, he'd have been at least 21 when he appears first as a household head on the 1797 PPTL in Buckingham County, VA. It is consistent with the age of the Archibald Kidd found in Wayne County, IN on the 1850 census. See subsequent 1850 entry for him.

¹⁵ This is the last year that he appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs.

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1804	Archibald Kidd	1	0	0	1	515
1805	Archibald Kidd	1	0	0	1	555
1806	Archibald Kidd	1	0	0	1	585
1807	Archer Kidd	1	0	0	1	605
1808	no taxes this yr					
1809	Archibald Kidd	1	3	0	2	655
1810	Archibald Kidd	1	3	0	2	FHL #30688, image 14
1811	Archibald Kidd	1	3	0	2	64
1812	Archibald Kidd	1	3	0	3	82
1813	Archibald Kidd	1	0	0	0	115
1814	Archibald Kidd	1	0	0	0	170
1815	John & Archd. Kidd	2	5	1	3	238
1816	Archibald Kidd	2	4	0	2	FHL #29902, image 536 ¹⁶
1817	Archibald Kidd	2	5	0	2	FHL #30688, image 286
1818	John & Archd. Kidd	2	4	1	3	304
1819	Archibald Kidd	1	4	2	2	340
1820	Archibald Kidd	1	4	2	2	382
1821	John & Archd. Kidd	2	7	1	0	444
1822	Archd. Kidd	1	5	2	1	464
1823	Archd. Kidd	1	4	1	1	519
1824	Archd. Kidd	1	5	1	2	551
1825	Archibald Kidd	1	5	0	1	584
1826	Archibald Kidd	2	1	0	2	615
1827	Archd. Kidd	1	2	0	0	FHL #29292, image 26
1828	Archibald Kidd	1	1	0	2	51
1829	Archibald Kidd	1	0	0	1	89
1830	Archer Kidd	1	0	0	1	124
1831	not listed					168
1832	Archibald Kidd	1	0	0	1	203
1833	not listed					248
1834	Archibald Kidd	1	1	0	1	275
1835	Archibald Kidd	1	1	0	1	306
1836	drops from PPTLs					372

¹⁶ During the microfilming of the Buckingham County PPTLs, The PPTL for 1816 was inadvertently included with the Buckingham County Land Tax Lists, rather than in its expected place with the PPTLs. Thus it is found on a different FHL microfilm, #29902.

Beginning in 1815, John and Archibald appear frequently in the same HH with two white tithes over the age of 21. This is almost certainly Archibald's brother John, another son of John Kidd.

For the years 1818-1825, Archibald (with John in 1818 and 1821) appears with five to seven slave tithes. These are most likely the slaves belonging to their father John

For the period 1828-1836, he has only one white tith 21+, and one slave tith 16+. Archibald does not appear on the Buckingham County PPTLs after 1836.

1800 – **Archer Kidd** appears on a list of Buckingham County militia dated 11 Mar 1800, along with Absalom, Sherwood, William, Edmund, and Lewis Kidd.¹⁷ Sent from the Buckingham Court, the document was addressed to The Honorable James Madison, Richmond. The one-page document contains recommendations for the Buckingham County militia officers and a list of militia members.

1810 – We have not been able to find him on the 1810 federal census in Buckingham County, or elsewhere in Virginia.

1820 – **Archibald Kidd** appears on the 1820 Buckingham County census, in New Canton, with the following HH, including seven people in the household enumerated as “Free Colored Persons”:

Archibald Kidd

Free white persons: 1 WM 26-44, 1 WM 45 and over, 1 WF 45 and over;

Slaves: 4M<14 & 1 15-25; 4F<14 & 4 15-25; and

Free colored persons: 3 M<14; 2 F<14, 1 F 14-25, & 1 F 45 or over.

Number of persons engaged in agriculture: 1¹⁸

1830 – **Archibald Kidd** is not found by name on the 1830 Buckingham County census but is found on the 1830 Buckingham County LTL, receiving some of his father John Kidd's estate (168 acres on Slate River, 20 miles NE of CH) from Wm. H. Perkins, and conveying it the same year to Francis Modena.¹⁹

1840 – We have not been able to find Archibald Kidd on the 1840 federal census, either in Buckingham County or elsewhere.

1850 – There is a man by this name, the right age and birthplace, to be this **Archibald Kidd**, on the federal census in Wayne township, Wayne County, Indiana, page 163A, HH 461/465:

Fanny Nicholes 75FB occupation blank \$1000 real estate b. VA CROW²⁰

Archibald Kidd 75M_ “ “ \$0 real estate b. VA CROW

Elizabeth Douglas 30FM “ “ B. Ohio

¹⁷ Governor's Office Militia Commission Papers, 1800, Buckingham County, Virginia: "Buckingham, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QHV-V3DW-H3HC?view=fullText> : Feb 19, 2025), image 29 of 29; . 008713716

¹⁸ Accessed at Ancestry.com: 1820 U S Census, New Canton, Buckingham, Virginia; Page: 109; NARA Roll: M33_132; Image: 86.

¹⁹ Buckingham County, VA Land Tax List, 1830, retrieved from FHL #29903, image 542 via familysearch.org.

²⁰ Cannot read or write.

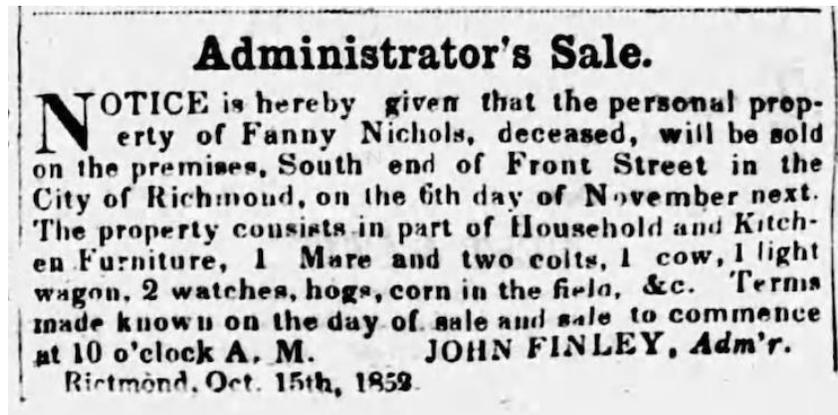
Note: It's possible this Fanny Nichols, listed as head of household with real estate valued at \$1,000, might be one of the "free colored persons" listed on the 1830 Buckingham County census above.

1852 – Fanny Nichols, a free Black woman, died intestate in Richmond, Wayne County, Indiana on 22 September 1852, leaving a modest estate.²¹ At her death, her only surviving heir was her grandson, Gannaway Levi Johnson, who declined to serve as her administrator, instead asking the Wayne County Court to appoint John Finley of Richmond, IN, as her administrator.²²

One of the debts charged to her estate was a payment of \$2.00 to Charles Overman "for his digging of a grave for **Archibald Kidd**, and assisting the digging of her grave."²³

We assume that Archibald died shortly before Fanny Nichols, likely in mid-1852, but the actual date of death is not known.

On 13 October 1852, the notice below was published in the *Richmond* (Wayne County, Indiana) *Weekly Palladium* newspaper for the estate of the deceased Fanny Nichols:²⁴



BENJAMIN KIDD, son of James Kidd of Slate River, Buckingham County
Benjamin⁴ (James³, William², Thomas¹) Kidd
Born between 1752²⁵ to 1756²⁶, likely in Albemarle County, VA
Died before 1850 in Surry County, NC

The name of Benjamin Kidd's wife or wives is not known. His known children were Robert, James, Jesse, Allen, Lucy, and Sarah. Of his children, Robert moved to Austin County, TX and daughter Lucy married William Paul and moved to Pickens County, GA. The rest of his children stayed in the Surry County, NC area.

²¹ Wayne, Indiana, Probate Estate Case Files, 1811-1935, United States records, images, viewable on *FamilySearch* at <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QHV-G3XV-HXHD>, images 63-131 of 723.

²² Ibid, images 105 and 113 of 723. The date of her death is found on image 128 of this image set.

²³ Ibid, image 101.

²⁴ Retrieved on GenealogyBank.com

²⁵ Benjamin Kidd's Revolutionary War pension application, filed in 1838, states that he was born in Buckingham County in 1752, but Buckingham County was not formed until 1761. The Kidds lived in the area of Buckingham County that was formed from Albemarle County.

²⁶ From his February 1847 affidavit supporting the pension application of Sarah Smith, widow of John Smith, at which time Benjamin Kidd testified that he was 91 years old.

- 1773 – **Benjamin Kidd** is listed on the Buckingham County tithables list, in the district of John Bernard, with one tithable.²⁷ Also on this list in John Bernard's district are Moses, Samuel, James and William Kidd. Benjamin Kidd is not listed in 1774.²⁸
- 1777 – **Benjamin Kidd** of Surry County, NC applied for a Revolutionary War pension in 1838. He said he was born in 1752 in Buckingham County, VA [Note: Buckingham County was not formed until 1761, so he was most likely born in Albemarle County.] He stated that he lived in Buckingham County at the time of his enlistment in 1777 and for several years after the war, then moved to Surry County, North Carolina. Son Jesse Kidd of Surry County signed a Power of Attorney on 13 Nov 1852 stating that he was the son of **Benjamin Kidd** dec'd. The request for a pension was rejected [R5906].²⁹
- 1786 – **Benjamin Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs in 1786 with one white tithable 21+ and two horses, and is not found on the Buckingham County LTLs.
- 1790-1793 – **Benjamin Kidd** appears on the Pittsylvania County, VA PPTLs for the years 1790-1793. In 1845, Presley Holder of Surry County, NC gave a deposition for Benjamin Kidd's pension application in which he said that he knew **Benjamin Kidd** during the Revolution and that he lived within one mile of said Benjamin in Pittsylvania County, VA.
- 1803 – **Benjamin Kidd** was named as a sibling of Moses Kidd and plaintiff with his other siblings in the Chancery suit over Moses Kidd's estate in *Kidd v Kidd*. The deposition of Elizabeth Southern, taken 5 May 1804 at the house of Benjamin Pollard [a tavern keeper in Buckingham County], states that she heard Moses Kidd say "in his lifetime"... "that if he was to give his estate to some of his kin, to William Kidd or **Ben** [two of Moses's brothers], that they would not know how to possess it."³⁰ This suggests that Benjamin was not as prosperous as his brothers Moses and John, wealthy landowners in Buckingham County. By 1810, Benjamin Kidd had moved from Pittsylvania County, VA to Surry County, NC.
- 1810 – On the 1810 federal census in Surry County, NC:
Benjamin Kid – 2M<10, 2 10-15 & 1>44; 2F<10, 1 10-15 & 1 26-44.
- 1812 – On the Surry County, NC Property Tax List, Capt. Martin's district:
"Kidd, Benjamin (W.C.)", taxed on 50 acres, with 0 white polls.³¹
Note: It's not clear from this abstract what the "W.C." stands for. At least two other men on this tax list had the same notation.

²⁷ *Virginia Tithables from Burned Record Counties*, by Robert F. and Isabel B. Woodson, published privately, Richmond VA, 1970, p 65

²⁸ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 19

²⁹ See Fold3.com for original scan of Benjamin Kidd of Virginia pension application folder, R5906. Also cited in *Revolutionary Patriots of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Carl Coleman Rosen, Willow Bend Books, Westminster MD, 2002, p 114. Rosen cites Patrick G. Wardell's *Virginia and West Virginia Genealogical Data from Revolutionary War Records*, Vol 3, p 72.

³⁰ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

³¹ 1812 Tax List of Surry County North Carolina, copied by G.W. Cook, privately published, Cimarron, KS, 1973, p. 4 (scanned image provided by Daniel Moore, in Surry County NC Ben Kidd's folder on Dropbox)

1815-1820 – **Benjamin Kidd** appears on the Surry County, NC tax lists in most of these years.³²
 His presumed son James Kidd first appears in 1819:

YEAR	TAXPAYER	DISTRICT	DETAILS
1815	Benjamin Kidd	Capt. Hanby's	1 white tithe/100 acres/F. River /adj J. ?Ryan?/\$200 val; no others
1816	No Kidds	in the 14 districts	
1817	Benjamin Kidd	Capt. Daniel Merrian	150 acres/adj Moses Pain/Fishers River/\$220 val/1 white poll; no others
1818	Benjamin Kedd	Capt Daniel Merrion	150 acres/Fishers River/\$220 valuation/NO white or black polls; no others
1819	Benjamin Kidd	Capt. Daniel Merrian	100 acres/val. 200/1 white tithe/0 black tithes/adj. Chrisman/Fish[ers] R
	James Kidd	Capt. Daniel Merrian	1 white tithe / all other columns blank
1820	Benjamin Kidd	Capt. Merrion's D.	150 ac/220 val./on Fish[ers] River/1 white poll/0 black/ No other Kidds.

1820 – On the federal census in Surry County, NC, p. 781:

Benjamin Kid: 1M 16-26 & 1>44; 2F 10-16, 2 16-26 & 1>44; 2 in agriculture
 James Kid: 2M<10 & 1 26-44; 2F<10 & 1 16-26; 1 in agriculture

1821-1830 – **Benjamin Kidd** continues to be listed on the annual Surry County tax lists, as illustrated in the table below. His sons Robert, Jesse, James, and Allen also appear on these lists. [Note: The relationship, if any, of Isham Kidd to Benjamin Kidd, is not known, although Isham Kidd previously lived in Pittsylvania County, VA.]

YEAR	TAXPAYER	DISTRICT	DETAILS
1821	Benjamin Kidd	Capt. Merrion's D.	150 ac/200 val/Fish[ers] River/1 white tithe
	Robert Kidd	Capt. Merrion's D.	one white poll
	Jesse Kidd	Capt. Merrion's D.	one white poll
	Isham Kidd	Capt. Zachary's D.	150 acres adj. Jacob Read/Fishers River/valuation \$100/ NO polls
1822	Benjamin Kidd	Rockford District	150 ac/\$200 val/On Fish[ers] River/no polls
	Robert Kid	Rockford District	1 white poll – otherwise blank

³² Surry County, North Carolina Tax Lists, 1815-1841, microfilmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah and viewable online at familysearch.org. FHL #1730446, item 1 – Surry County Tax Lists, 1815-1818; Item 2 – 1819-1822; item 3 – Surry County tax lists, 1825-1830. And FHL #1730443, Surry County Tax Lists, 1835-1862. RK read and abstracted all Kidd entries on these tax lists; a compilation of these entries is available from the authors, as are digital images of many of the key entries.

	James Kid	Rockford District	2 white polls – otherwise blank
	Jesse Kid	Rockford District	3 white polls – otherwise blank
1823	no list available		
1824	no list available		
1825	lists incomplete	No Kidds on the	Lists that were filmed
1826	Benjamin Kidd	Capt. Jones Dist.	150 ac/\$200 valuation/adj Charles Chrisman/Fish[ers] River/no white polls
	Robert Kidd	Capt. Jones Dist.	1 white poll; otherwise blank
	Jesse Kidd	unlabeled district	100 acres/val. \$50/1 white poll/0 black polls/B. Creek
1827	Benjamin Kidd	Capt. Danl Jarvies	150 acres/val \$150/no polls/adj Stephen Mankins/Fish[ers] River
	Allen Kidd	Capt. Danl Jarvies	1 white poll; other fields blank
1828	No Benjamin		
1829	No Benjamin	Son Allen Kidd	Appears to be land of Benjamin Kidd
1830	Benjamin Kidd	Capt. Easley's Dist.	adj St Hawkins/60 acres/\$100 val/1 white poll

1825 – On 27 April 1825, Benjamin Kidd entered 100 acres of land in Surry County, NC “adjoining Johnathan (Pill?), himself, and others.”³³

1830 – On the federal census in Surry County, NC, p. 137:

Benjamin Kidd 1M 15-19, 1 20-29 & 1 70-79; 1F 15-19 & 1 60-69. No slaves.
(No other Kidds on this page.)

1831-1834 – No Surry County tax lists are extant for these years.

1835-1840 – Benjamin continues to be listed in the annual Surry County tax lists for these years, along with Allen and Jesse. [The Table below lists only those Kidds who are found in the same district as Benjamin.]

YEAR	TAXPAYER	DISTRICT	DETAILS
1835 ³⁴	Benjamin Kidd	Capt Gillespie's D.	70 acres/adj. (blank)/\$10 val./1 white poll
	Allen Kidd	Dry Branch Dist.	no land/1 white poll
1836	Benjamin Kidd	Dry Branch Dist.	80 acres/\$100 val./Big Fish[ers] R/adj. S. Walker/NO tithes
	Allen Kidd	Dry Branch Dist.	no land/1 white poll

³³ Surry County, NC Land Records, 1778-1783, 1817-1836, 1840-1873, Land Entry #733, retrieved from <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9S7-L9DX-7KY7>, image 98 of 626.

³⁴ FHL # 1730443, image 22 of 344, viewed via Familysearch.org (unrestricted access). Digital image available from authors.

1837	No Benjamin or	Allen Kidd this	year
1838	Benjamin Kid	Dry Branch Dist.	adj. B. F. Walker/80 ac/\$200 val./ no polls
	Jesse Kid	Dry Branch Dist.	no land/1 white poll
1839 ³⁵	Benjamin Kidd no others in this district	Dry Branch Dist.	80 acres/\$200 val./no polls
1840 ³⁶	Benjamin Kidd; no others in this district	Dry Branch Dist.	80 acres/\$200 val./no polls/adj. S. Walker/Fish[ers] River

1838 – On 9 Jun 1838, **Benjamin Kidd** of Surry County, NC applied for a Revolutionary War pension [rejected, case R5906]. See 1777, above.

1840 – On the federal census in Surry County, NC, p. 74:

Benjamin Kidd 1M 80-89 and 1F 20-29, 1 who cannot read or write. No slaves.

In the interval since the last census, Benjamin’s wife has apparently died. The female in his house is his youngest child, daughter Sarah, to whom he left the remainder of his estate.

Also listed here, on the same page and next door to Benjamin, is his youngest son:

Allen Kidd 1M<5 and one 30-39; 1F<5, 1 5-9 & 1 20-29, no slaves.

1841 – **Benjamin Kidd** appears on the 1841 Surry County Tax List, in the Dry Branch District of Surry County. He’s taxed on 67 ½ acres on the Big Fish [Fisher River] watercourse, adjoining Samuel Walker.³⁷ The columns for Whites and for Blacks contain no entries, suggesting that he was not taxed. Also on this list is “Allin Kidd” with 1 white male and no land.

Unfortunately, this tax book jumps from 1841 to 1862, with no tax lists for the intervening years.

1843 – On 17 January 1843, **Benjamin Kidd** of Surry County, North Carolina sold for \$150 to Robert Kidd (his eldest son, though the deed does not state this) “a parcel of land in sd. County on Fishers River on the west side...containing sixty acres.” Benjamin Kidd signed with an X. Witnesses to this deed included Jesse Kidd (another of his sons).³⁸

1847 – On 9 February 1847, **Benjamin Kidd** appeared in the Surry County Court, and provided testimony in support of the pension application of Sarah Smith, the widow of John Smith, who had served in the Revolutionary War from Buckingham County, VA. This deposition provides several interesting facts about Benjamin Kidd. Below is a transcription of the

³⁵ FHL # 1730443, image 197 of 344, viewed via Familysearch.org (unrestricted access). Digital image available from authors.

³⁶ FHL # 1730443, image 216 of 344, viewed via Familysearch.org (unrestricted access). Digital image available from authors.

³⁷ FHL # 1730443, image 251 of 344, viewed via Familysearch.org (unrestricted access). Digital image available from authors.

³⁸ This deed was provided to me by Dan Moore, whose wife is a descendant of Benjamin Kidd. He received it from Linda Ackerman, who found it and a packet of letters in her grandfather Jesse Buxton Kidd’s (son of Allen Kidd Jr.) personal effects. It appears to be a loose deed, with a cover sheet, and not from a deed book. No record of this deed being recorded is found in the Cross Index to Surry County deeds, 1771-1879, FHL #344615, viewable online via familysearch.org without restriction. The K section of this index begins on image 196 of 381.

entire record (spelling preserved as it appears in this document):³⁹
Surry County, North Carolina} On the 9th of February 1847, personally appeared before me, Drury Hodges, one of the acting justices of the piece for sd. county, **Benjamin Kidd**, a resident of said county aged ninety-one years, and made oath that he lived in Buckingham County state of Virginia in time of the revolutionary war, and was intimately and well acquainted with one John Smith, who also lived in the said County of Buckingham and was a privit Soldier in the revolutionary war and whos widdow Sarah Smith lives in Surry County, North Carolina and as this deponent understands is an applicant for a pention. That he lived in three miles of the said John Smith in time of the war of revolution and well recollects of the said John Smith leaving home to serve in said war, and returning from the same. That the said John Smith did serve three years in the Virginia continental line as a privit soldier, that he is not confident whether the said servicis were rendered in one tower, or two, but is certain that the said John Smith did leave home to serve in the regular servis as aforesaid, that the said John Smith was a lame (?) man from his first acquaintance with him. Sworn to & subscribed this 9th February 1847

his
(signed) Benjamin X Kidd
mark

On 9 August 1847, **Benjamin Kidd** of Surry County, NC signed his last will and testament.⁴⁰ In it, he leaves his entire estate to his daughter Sarah Kidd, "which I conceived will bearily (sic) make her equal to the rest of my children that has left me, and to make her completion for her services rendered to me while in my illness." She was named his executor in this will, which he signed with an X.

Evidently he died in the months after he signed his will, prior to the 1850 census.

1850 – In 1850, Allen Kidd and family are in Surry County, NC (mis-indexed at Ancestry.com as Ridd), but Benjamin is not listed.

Living next door to Allen Kidd is Sally Kidd (also mis-indexed as Ridd), age 30, b. NC. This is most likely Benjamin's daughter Sarah, to whom he left his estate. Also on the 1850 census is son Jesse Kidd [mis-indexed as Kiel] and son James Kidd.

Benjamin Kidd's sons who remained in Surry County, NC continue to appear on later census records.

DICEY KIDD GOSS, married in 1785 to William Goss [possibly Goff or Gough]

1785 – On 30 October 1785, a Buckingham County marriage bond for **Dacey Kidd** and William Goss was recorded. [Goss also has been interpreted as Goff or Gough.] Bondsman Isaac Salle.^{41, 42}

³⁹ This deposition is from the Rev. War pension application for John Smith, page 66, R9844, provided to SKK by Daniel Moore. A scan of this page is in the Buckingham County Sources Folder on Dropbox.

⁴⁰ Surry County, NC Will Book 4, p. 267, and viewable online at <https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-195-418072-1-38?cc=1867501&wc=MDRK-GZ3:170003101,170790801> (Image of actual will in the Benjamin Kidd of Surry County, NC folder on Dropbox.)

⁴¹ *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, p 65

⁴² Magazine of Virginia Genealogy, volume 30, pp. 247-251.

DICEY KIDD FALWELL, the daughter of James Kidd of Slate River, Buckingham County

Born by 1765

Married Richard Falwell, who may have died before 1817

Died sometime after 1820

1803 – Dickey Falwell, wife of Richard Falwell, was named as a sibling of Moses Kidd and plaintiff with his other siblings in the Chancery suit over Moses Kidd's estate in *Kidd v Kidd*.⁴³ [See [Appendix Three](#).]

1810 – On the federal census in Buckingham County, VA:

Richard Falwell 3M<10, 1 10-15 & 1 45 or older; 3F<10, 3 16-25 & 1 45 or older. No slaves.

1817 – The Buckingham County overseers of the poor recorded a payment to **Dickey Falwell**.⁴⁴ This suggests her husband Richard may have been deceased before 1817.

1820 – On the federal census in Buckingham County, VA, p. 744:

Dicy Falwell 2M 10-15, 1F 10-15, 2 26-44 & 1>45. No slaves.

1830 – She's not found as a household head on the federal census. Nothing more is known of her, nor the names of their children.

EDMUND/EDMOND KIDD, son of John Kidd of Tillotson Parish in Buckingham County

Edmond5 (John4, James3, William2, Thomas1 Kidd)

Born by 1772

1793 – The initials of S, E, A appear on the PPTLs as other white tithes in the HH of John Kidd. E is presumed to be **Edmund Kidd**, since there is no other known given name starting with E found in Buckingham County to date.

1796-1799 – **Edmund/Edmond Kidd** appears on the PPTLs for these four years only, with one white tithe 21+. In 1797, he has one slave tithe 16+.

1800 – **Edmund Kidd** appears on a list of Buckingham County militia dated 11 Mar 1800, along with Absalom, Archer, Sherwood, William, and Lewis Kidd.⁴⁵ Sent from the Buckingham Court, the document was addressed to The Honorable James Madison, Richmond. The one-page document contains recommendations for the Buckingham County militia officers and a list of militia members.

ELIZABETH (TONEY) KIDD, wife of Moses Kidd of Tillotson Parish

Married Moses Kidd before July 1781, likely in Buckingham County

Known siblings John, Charles, and William Toney

⁴³ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

⁴⁴ "Buckingham County, VA Miscellaneous Records 1805-1873," held by Henry E. Huntington Library, San Marino CA, microfilmed by LDS, reviewed by SKK 10.2012, Family History Library, Salt Lake City.

⁴⁵ Governor's Office Militia Commission Papers, 1800, Buckingham County, Virginia: "Buckingham, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QHV-V3DW-H3HC?view=fullText> : Feb 19, 2025), image 29 of 29; . 008713716

No children

Died before 11 Feb 1805 in Buckingham County

- 1798 – On 9 July 1798, the Monday following the death of Moses Kidd, his executors--wife **Elizabeth Kidd**'s brother John Toney and William Wilkinson—presented to the court the will of Moses Kidd, written 17 July 1781 prior to Moses leaving to serve in the militia during the Revolutionary War. The terms of the will left his considerable property of 367 acres of land on Phelps Creek near New Canton and slaves to his wife Elizabeth.
- 1800 – On 20 Nov 1800, **Elizabeth Kidd** signed her will, naming slaves Tob, Nancy, Daniel, Porter, Frank, Dave, Anthony, Tom, Abraham, Sarah, and Poll. The wills of Moses Kidd, dated 1781, and Elizabeth Toney Kidd, dated 1800, are included in the Chancery court suit *Kidd v Kidd (John Kidd et al v Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd et al)* (see below).⁴⁶
- 1803 – In January 1803, Moses Kidd's siblings, represented by his brother John Kidd as lead plaintiff, brought a suit in Chancery court against his widow **Elizabeth Kidd**, contesting legal ownership of his property.⁴⁷ In the suit titled *Kidd v Kidd*, the plaintiffs contended that the 1781 will was not Moses' rightful will. Without a valid will, the plaintiffs knew that the property of the childless Moses Kidd would revert to his Kidd relatives, with only a dower portion for his widow Elizabeth.

Because the case was heard in the Superior Court of the District, which was located in Prince Edward County, VA, before being settled in favor of the defendants the Toney, the papers detailing the suit have survived in the Prince Edward County chancery files. Since Buckingham is a severely burned record county, this is a remarkable piece of fortune for researchers of the Buckingham County Kidds. It also gives us what information we have about the life of Elizabeth Toney Kidd.

To further complicate matters, some of the numerous witnesses testified in the suit that Moses had written a second will leaving his estate to Sarah (Sally) Falwell, a woman of color with whom he reputedly had at least eight children (named in testimony as Elisha, Mary, Elizabeth, Dinah, Judith, Sarah, Nancy, and John). Although the attorney for Sally Falwell presented the will in her possession immediately following Moses' death, it was quickly tossed out by the court (this was, perhaps, inevitable, given that Sally, though likely free, was a woman of color with little legal standing in 18th century Virginia).

- 1805 – On 11 February 1805, the will of **Elizabeth Kidd**, dated 20 November 1800, was proven in court, as cited in the Chancery suit *Kidd v Kidd*.⁴⁸
- 1808 – In February 1808, the Chancery suit *Kidd v Kidd* was settled in favor of the Toney relatives of **Elizabeth Kidd, deceased**, with the final disposition in September 1808.⁴⁹

See [Appendix Three](#) for more details on the Chancery Court suit *Kidd v Kidd*.

⁴⁶ *John Kidd et al v Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd et al*, Superior Court of Richmond District (VA), Prince Edward District Court (VA), 1803-1807. Final disposition Sept. 1808. See Library of Virginia, Prince Edward County Chancery Causes. File 1808-018. Images of this record are available at this URL: http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/full_case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018#img

⁴⁷ Ibid.

⁴⁸ Ibid.

⁴⁹ Ibid.

1825 – Receipts were issued to Walter L. Fontaine, administrator of **Elizabeth Kidd's** estate, by the Buckingham County Court clerk and sheriff. During the years 1823 and 1824, Walter L. Fontaine, an attorney, also was issued receipts as administrator of the estate of William Toney [Elizabeth's brother].⁵⁰

FLOYD L. KIDD, shoemaker, the son of Alexander Kidd Sr. and Charity Willoughby of Nelson County, VA
Born 12 April 1823 in Nelson County
Married Martha (maiden name unknown)
Died 8 May 1884⁵¹, likely in Buckingham County, VA

1845-1846 – **Floyd Kidd** appears on the Nelson County, VA PPTLs, each time taxed on 1 white male tithe, and no slaves or horses. He then disappears from Nelson County records.

1847 – On 5 Oct 1847, **Floyd L. Kidd** was named as an heir of Joshua Willoughby of Nelson County, VA, who was the father of three daughters who married Kidd men in Nelson County – Charity, who married Alexander Kidd Sr.; Agnes (Aggy) who married Robert N. Kidd; and Frances/Fanny, who married Alexander S. Kidd. Joshua died in 1846, leaving a complicated will naming many beneficiaries. In 1847 a Chancery suit involving his heirs was filed in Nelson County (1847-028).⁵² This suit names all of the children then living of these three couples, including the children of Charity and Alexander Kidd, Sr.: Sarah Ann Kidd, Frederick Kidd, **Floyd Kidd**, and Cynthia Kidd (above the age of 21); and Semariah, Landon, Alexander, Elizabeth and Caroline Kidd (minors).

1847-1851 – **Floyd Kidd** appears annually on the Albemarle County, VA PPTLs, taxed for his own poll with no slaves or horses.

1850 – A **T.L. Kidd**, a shoemaker by profession, is listed on the 1850 Albemarle County census in the household of Lewis and Mary Ball, a wealthy merchant whose household includes boarders who are tradesmen and merchants. Despite the initial "T," this appears to be the shoemaker Floyd L. Kidd.

HH 1889, HH of Lewis Ball, Albemarle County, VA

T. L. Kidd – 30WM Shoemaker VA

Beginning in 1852, **Floyd L. Kidd** is found in Buckingham County, VA where he remained until his death in 1884.

1852 – On 8 June 1852, Alexander Fitzpatrick and Behetherland [Behethland] his wife, John W. Witt, and William C. Roberts and Jane his wife sold to **Floyd Kidd** for \$200 a lot of land near the town of Howardsville in the County of Albemarle.⁵³

On 16 August 1852, **Floyd F. Kidd** of Buckingham County, VA sold to Drury W. Kindrick of Albemarle County, VA, for \$250, all of his right, title and interest to a lot of land in the town of Howardsville. Floyd Kidd signed the deed with an X; it was witnessed by John R.

⁵⁰ *A Guide to the Walter L. Fontaine Papers, 1813-1870*, Library of Virginia, see <http://ead.lib.virginia.edu/vivaxtf/view?docId=lva/vi00320.xml>

⁵¹ Find A Grave, database and images (<https://www.findagrave.com> : accessed 28 February 2018), memorial page for Floyd L. Kidd, Jr (12 Apr 1823–8 May 1884), Find A Grave Memorial no. 102531725, citing New Store Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Dillwyn, Buckingham County, Virginia, USA ; Maintained by Machpelah (contributor 48008938).

⁵² https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=125-1847-028

⁵³ Albemarle County, VA Deed Book 56, page 425, retrieved from FHL # 30251, image 234 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

Scruggs.⁵⁴

In the body of the deed, his middle initial is clearly “F,” but elsewhere in two places, it is almost certainly “L.”

1853-1860 – **Floyd L. Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County, VA PPTLs with one white tithable 21+. In 1853, his taxable goods are listed as well: 1 watch worth \$75, gold/silver worth \$5, HH furniture worth \$20, \$650 in money, and \$200 in capital investment/farm.

For the years 1858-1860, he is listed with slaves: in 1858, one black tithable 16+; in 1859, one black tithable 16+ and one 12+; and in 1860, one black tithable 12+.

1860 – On the federal census in District 1, Buckingham County, VA, Buckingham C.H. P.O., p. 68, HH 507/504:

Kidd, F.L. 35MW Shoemaker \$0/4,125 VA

[the value of his estate evidently is his inventory and perhaps a sign of hyper-inflation]

" , Martha A. 21FW VA

" , Emma 5FW VA

" , Nannie 2FW VA⁵⁵

On the slave census for 1860 in Buckingham County, **F.L. Kidd** is listed as the owner of a black female, aged 9, and a black male, aged 6.

1862 – **Floyd L. Kidd** enlisted as a private in Co. C, 5th Cavalry Regiment of Virginia on 20 March 1862, at the age of 37. He was transferred to the Danville Light Artillery Regiment on 3 May 1864.

1870 – On the federal census in Francisco township, Buckingham County, VA, Curdsville P.O., p. 263, HH 164/163:

Kidd, Floyd L. 45MW shoemaker \$600/200 VA

" , Martha 32FW keeps house VA

" , Emma 13FW VA attended school within the year

" , Nanny 11FW VA attended school within the year

" , Wily 8MW VA

" , Alice 6FW VA

" , Peter 4MW VA

" , Louis 2MW VA

1880 – On the federal census in Buckingham County, VA, Francisco Magisterial District, ED 33, page 438C, HH 379/380:

Kidd, Floyd L. WM 55M head Farmer VA VA VA

“ , Martha WF 50M wife keeping house VA VA VA

“ , Emma WF 24S daughter at home VA VA VA

“ , Nannie WF 20S daughter at home VA VA VA

“ , John W. WM 18S son works on farm VA VA VA

“ , Alice WF 16S dau at home VA VA VA

“ , Peter A. WM 14S son farm laborer VA VA VA

⁵⁴ Albemarle County, VA Deed Book 56, page 420, retrieved from FHL # 30251, image 232 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

⁵⁵ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1860 Census District 1, Buckingham County, Virginia, Roll: M653_1337; Page: 894; Image: 440; Family History Library Film: 805337.

- “ , Lewis N. WM 14S son farm laborer VA VA VA
- “ , Mary WF 9S daughter VA VA VA
- “ , Floyd L. WM 7S son VA VA VA
- “ , Henry C. WM 3S son VA VA VA
- “ , Edward W. WM 3S son VA VA VA
- “ , William J. WM 1S son VA VA VA

1884 – According to Findagrave (which has a photo of his headstone) he died on 8 May 1884, probably in Buckingham County, VA, and he is buried in the New Store Presbyterian Church Cemetery in Dillwyn, Buckingham County, VA.⁵⁶ His wife, Martha M Kidd, is also buried there.⁵⁷

HENRY KIDD, possibly the son of William Kidd of New Canton

Born 7 Oct 1768⁵⁸

Lived on Willis Creek in Buckingham County

The name of his wife is not known, but her dates of birth and death are recorded in their family Bible.

Died 16 Jan 1833 in Buckingham County⁵⁹

1768 – **Henry Kidd** was born 7 Oct 1768, according to a transcript of the family Bible of his son Henry D. Kidd of Bedford and Campbell Counties, VA.⁶⁰

“**Father** ware born October 7, 1768 and departed this life January 16, 1833

Mother ware born February 3, 1793 and departed this life October 1, 1835

Henry D. Kidd ware born September 26, 1812

Elizabeth A. Kidd ware born July 9, 1814

Nancy R. Kidd ware born September 25, 1816

Mary J. Kidd ware born January 2, 1821

William H. Kidd ware born October 24, 1822

Permelia L. Kidd ware born October 23, 1824

John A. Kidd ware born June 8, 1827⁶¹

Fucinda [Lucinda?] C. Kidd ware born April 30, 1830

⁵⁶ Find A Grave, database and images (<https://www.findagrave.com> : accessed 28 February 2018), memorial page for Floyd L. Kidd, Jr (12 Apr 1823–8 May 1884), Find A Grave Memorial no. 102531725, citing New Store Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Dillwyn, Buckingham County, Virginia, USA ; Maintained by Machpelah (contributor 48008938)

⁵⁷ Barbara Taylor, personal correspondence, 12 Feb 2018: “There is a Floyd L Kidd and a Martha M Kidd in the same cemetery. It looks like his wife was Martha Mary "Mattie" Taylor, per son Edward Washburn Kidd's Social Security Application. Edward was born 11 May 1877 in Buckingham County, VA; died March 10, 1964; his VA death record lists his mother as Martha Madison (I believe that was an error). PA death cert of daughter Emma (Kidd) Proffitt 1856-1921 lists mother as Martha Taylor. MI death cert of daughter Mary (Kidd) Ferguson 1858-1932 also gives mother's name as Martha Taylor. Martha Taylor's father Jordan Taylor, born in 1792, had the distinction of being the oldest living person in Virginia when he died in 1894, according to newspapers of the time.

⁵⁸ The Family Bible of Henry D. Kidd. <http://files.usgwarchives.net/va/campbell/bibles/kidd1.txt>

⁵⁹ Ibid.

⁶⁰ Ibid.

⁶¹ We have found little more information about this John Kidd. He may be the John A. Kidd who enlisted in the CSA on 25 Feb 1862 in Lisbon, Bedford County, VA. This record lists his birthplace as Buckingham County, and his age at 35 years. He was discharged just two months later due to disability, per “U.S., Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles, 1861-1865,” at Ancestry.com.

1787 -- The household of William Kidd of New Canton has a white male over 21 listed by name as William Kidd Jr., and an unnamed white male between the ages of 16 to 21. This second unnamed male is likely **Henry Kidd**, who appears the next year (1788) in the household of William Kidd Jr. This suggests that Henry Kidd may have been the son of William Kidd of New Canton.

1789 -- In 1789-1790, a **Henry Kidd** appears as a white tithable in the household of Moses Kidd, wealthy landowner and brother of William Kidd of New Canton. Moses Kidd was childless, according to the Chancery court suit *Kidd v Kidd*, so Henry likely was helping him manage his property.

1791-1792 – A **Henry Kidd** appears in his own household these two years, then is not listed by name on the PPTLs from 1793 to 1797.

YEAR	NAME	W Tithes	B >16	B >12	Horses	Image #; COMMENTS
1787	William Kidd Lists William Kidd Jr. as a tithable over 21 and an unnamed white male tithable between 16-21 [likely Henry Kidd]	1 over 21 1 16-21	0	0	3	123
1788	Henry Kidd a tithable in HH of William Kidd Jr. [of New Canton]	2	0	0	3	FHL #30687, image141
1789	Henry Kidd a tithable in HH of Moses Kidd	2	2	0	3	159
1790	H [Henry] Kid a tithable in HH of Moses Kid	2	2	2	3	185
1791	Henry Kidd	1	0	0	0	196
1792	Henry Kidd	1	0	0	1	217
1793	no Henry					238
1794	no Henry					263
1795	no Henry					284
1796	no Henry					314
1797	no Henry					338
1798	Henry Kidd	1	0	0	0	368; in Tax District #2
1799	Henry Kidd	1	0	0	0	389; in Tax District #2
1800-1807	no Henry Kidd in either Tax District					
1808	no tax statewide					
1809	Henry Kidd	1	0	0	1	655; in Tax Dist. 2
1810	Henry Kidd	1	0	0	1	FHL #30688, image 14
1811	no Henry					
1812	no Henry					

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1813	Henry Kidd	1	3	2	1	133
1814	Henry Kidd	1	5	0	3	152
1815	Henry Kidd	1	5	0	4	196
1816	Henry Kidd	1	5	0	3	FHL #29902, ⁶² image 594
1817	Henry Kidd	1	5	0	3	FHL #30688, image 267
1818	Henry Kidd	1	5	0	3	321
1819	Henry Kidd	1	5	0	3	360
1820	Henry Kidd	1	5	0	3	404
1821	Henry Kidd	1	5	0	3	424
1822	Henry Kidd	1	5	0	5	482
1823	no Henry					501
1824	Henry Kidd	1	6	0	3	535
1825	Henry Kidd	1	8	0	3	567
1826	Henry Kidd	1	5	0	4	598
1827	Henry Kidd	1	7	0	4	FHL #29292, image 10
1828	Henry Kidd	1	6	0	4	41
1829	Henry Kidd	1	4	1	3	72
1830	Henry Kidd & son	2	5	2	3	104
1831	Henry Kidd	2	4	2	2	145
1832	Henry Kidd	1	4	2	4	187
1832	Henry Kidd, Jr.	1	0	0	0	187
1833	Henry Kidd Estate	0	3	2	2	230
1833	Henry Kidd	1	0	0	0	230
1834	Henry Kidd Est.	0	3	0	2	264
1834	Henry D.	1	0	0	1	264
1835	Henry Kidd Est.	0	2	0	2	292; no Henry D.

1791 – At the September 1791 term of the Prince Edward District Court, which included Buckingham County, the complaint of **Henry Kidd, plaintiff**, against Moses Kidd, defendant, both of Buckingham County, was heard and recorded. **Henry Kidd** stated that Moses Kidd owed him a debt of £87.19, by note signed by Moses Kidd 7 Feb 1791 in Buckingham County, payable to Henry Kidd upon request. Henry Kidd further stated that “the said Moses although often requested & hath not yet paid...& still doth refuse to...” and requested additional damages of £10.0.0. A conditional order was issued in September term

⁶² During the microfilming of the Buckingham County PPTLs, The PPTL for 1816 was inadvertently included with the Buckingham County Land Tax Lists, rather than in its expected place with the PPTLs. Thus it is found on a different FHL microfilm, #29902.

1791 and confirmed in October term 1791.⁶³

At the same September 1791 term, a similar complaint against Moses Kidd, defendant, for debt, was heard from William Kidd, plaintiff, both of Buckingham County.⁶⁴

1792 – At the April 1792 term of the Prince Edward District Court: **Henry Kidd**, Plaintiff. vs. Moses Kidd, Defendant} In Debt

The Defendant being arrested again, solemnly called and not appearing, on the motion of the Plaintiff by his attorney, it is considered by the Court that the Plaintiff recover against the Defendant, and Peter Guerrant the Deputy Sheriff of Buckingham County for want of Bail £87.19 current money of Virginia, the debt in the declaration mentioned, together with his costs in this behalf extended. The said Defendant in Mercy pleads, etc...

But this Judgement is to be discharged by the payment of £43.19.6 with interest thereon at 5% per annum from 7 February 1791 till payment, and his costs.

The following exhibit was filed as evidence in the foregoing Cause on the trial thereof:

Know all men by these presents that I Moses Kidd of Buckingham County am held and firmly bound unto **Henry Kidd** of the County aforesaid in the just and full sum of £87.19, to which payment well and duly to be made, I bind myself, my heirs, Executors, etc...firmly by these presents sealed with my seal and dated 7 February 1791.

The condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bound Moses Kidd do well and truly pay or cause to be paid ...the just and full sum of £43.19.6 on demand, then this obligation to be void, or else to remain in full force. ⁶⁵

(signed) Moses Kidd {his seal}

Signed sealed & delivered}
in the presence of us }
Jas. Cooper
William Moss

1792 – At the same April 1792 Prince Edward District Court session, in the case of William Kidd, Plaintiff. vs. Moses Kidd Defendant} In Debt, the original bond acknowledging Moses Kidd's debt, signed by Moses Kidd and witnessed by Jas. Cooper and **Henry Kidd**, was presented as evidence.⁶⁶

⁶³ Prince Edward County, Virginia District Court Order Book, 1792-1795, page 51, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33W-F>), image 464

⁶⁴ Prince Edward County, Virginia District Court Order Book, 1792-1795, page 53, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33W-F>), image 465

⁶⁵ Prince Edward County, Virginia District Court Order Book, 1792-1795, page 52, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33W-F>), image 465

⁶⁶ Prince Edward County, Virginia District Court Order Book, 1792-1795, page 54, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33W-F>), image 466

1796-1838 – The Buckingham County LTLs list **Henry Kidd**'s land, consisting of 150 to 158 acres, located on Willis Creek in the southwestern part of the county, in a different location than land of the other Kidd men. He also held 100 acres on the Slate River.

Year	Acres	Notations on Land Tax Lists
1796-1798	100	from Edward Morris
1799-1812		no Henry listed
1813	158	Residence nr Hudson Morris
1814	150	Residence nr Hudson Moss [Morris] 11 mi S of CH
1815-1817	158	Residence, in fee, adj William Gordon 11 mi S of CH
1818-1819	158	Residence, in fee, adj Gordon and Rowton
1820-1829	158	on waters Willis 12 mi SW of CH
1830-1833	158	Willis Cr 12 mi S of CH
	100	Slate River 10 mi W of CH
1834-1837		estate, 158 a on Willis Cr and 100 a on Slate River adj Jones and Ford ⁶⁷
1838	253 [258]	William D. Jones, from Kidd's estate

Note: A 23 Nov 1789 Survey was recorded for John Ford, for 48 acres on a branch of the Slate River, adjoining Nancy Howard, **Kid**, and the lines of John Ford.⁶⁸ It is not known if this Kidd is Henry Kidd, but in 1830 Henry was taxed on Slate River land adjacent to a man named Ford.

1796 – **Henry Kidd** purchased 100 acres from Edward Morris, according to the county tax lists.⁶⁹

1797 – **Henry Kidd** sold these 100 acres to David McCormack, according to the county tax lists.⁷⁰

1798-1833 – Starting in 1798, **Henry Kidd** is consistently listed in District 2, a separate district from the rest of the Kidds in Buckingham County, who are a part of District 1.

1810 – **Henry Kidd** is listed on the 1810 Buckingham County census, with Absalom Kidd and Shadrack Kidd in the next two households on the census list, which is in locality order. Absalom is the oldest of these three household heads, age 45 or older.

Henry Kidd: 3 WM 16-25, 2 WF under 10, 1 WF 10-15, 2 WF 16-25, 1 WF 26-44, 15 slaves. [Note: This is more slaves than the PPTLs note, but the census would include the total number of slaves, regardless of taxable age].⁷¹

Henry Kidd also would have been 42 at this time, so the enumeration may be in error.

1813 – Hudson Morris sold 158 acres to **Henry Kidd**, located 11 miles south of the CH, according to the county tax lists.⁷²

⁶⁷ *Buckingham County, VA Surveyors Plat Book, 1762-1858*, by Eric G. Grundset, Clearfield Publishing, Baltimore MD, 2011.

⁶⁸ *Buckingham County, VA Surveyors Plat Book, 1762-1858*, by Eric G. Grundset, Clearfield Publishing, Baltimore MD, 2011.

⁶⁹ *Buckingham County Virginia Land Tax Summaries and Implied Deeds, Vol 1: 1782-1814*, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1993, pp 177-9

⁷⁰ *Buckingham County Virginia Land Tax Summaries and Implied Deeds, Vol 1: 1782-1814*, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1993, pp 177-9

⁷¹ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1810 census, Buckingham County, Virginia; Roll: 66; Page: 829; Image: 0181426; Family History Library Film: 00825

⁷² *Buckingham County Virginia Land Tax Summaries and Implied Deeds, Vol 1: 1782-1814*, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1993, pp 177-9

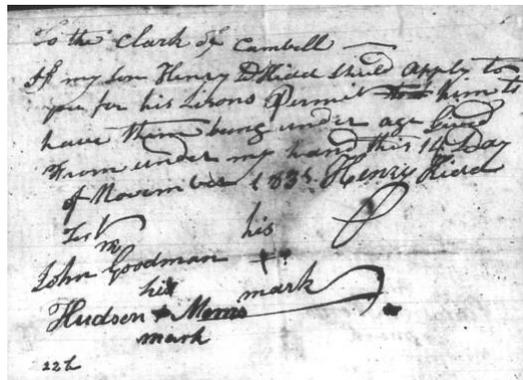
Also in 1813, **Henry Kidd** is taxed for the first time on five slaves. Since his first son was born in 1812, this suggests that perhaps his newly acquired slaves and property came from his wife's family.

1816 – In 1816, **Henry Kidd** is listed as paying \$9.81 in tithes to the Buckingham County overseers of the poor.⁷³ These tithes usually were requested from wealthier residents of the county.

1820 – **Henry Kidd** is listed on the 1820 Buckingham County census: Henry Kidd: 1 WM under 10, 1 WM 26-44, 2 WF under 10, 1 WF 26-44. Slaves: 4 M under 14, 3 M 26-44, 1 F under 14, 2 F 26-44. Number of persons engaged in agriculture: 1.⁷⁴

1830 – We are unable to find Henry Kidd on the 1830 federal census in Buckingham County.

1831 – On 14 November 1831, **Henry Kidd** gave consent to the Clerk of Campbell County, VA for his son Henry D. Kidd [who was under the age of 21] to apply for a marriage license. Henry Kidd signed with an X, witnessed by John Goodman and Hudson Morris:⁷⁵



To the Clerk of Campbell
If my son Henry Kidd shall apply to
you for his Sons Permit ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~be~~ ^{to} ~~have~~ ^{to} ~~them~~ ^{to} ~~being~~ ^{to} ~~under~~ ^{to} ~~an~~ ^{to} ~~age~~ ^{to} ~~bound~~ ^{to}
thru under my hand this 14 Day
of November 1831. Henry Kidd
his
John Goodman
his
Hudson Morris
mark
mark
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1833 – **Henry Kidd** died in Buckingham County on 16 January 1833, according to his son's family Bible record.

1833-1835 – In 1833, the **estate of Henry Kidd** is listed on the Buckingham County PPTLs. After 1835, the estate of Henry Kidd, along with Henry Kidd Jr., both drop from the PPTLs. This is consistent with the family Bible record that gives Henry's date of death 16 January 1833 and his wife's date of death 1 October 1835.

In 1834, the **estate of Henry Kidd**, consisting of two tracts—158 acres in the southwest part of the county and 100 acres on the Slate River, appears on the Buckingham County LTLs. In 1838, William D. Jones purchased the 258 acres from Henry's estate, according to the county tax lists.

HENRY D. KIDD, the son of Henry Kidd of Buckingham County

⁷³ "Buckingham County, VA Miscellaneous Records 1805-1873," held by Henry E. Huntington Library, San Marino CA, microfilmed by LDS, reviewed by SKK 10.2012, Family History Library, Salt Lake City.

⁷⁴ Accessed on Ancestry.com: 1820 New Canton, Buckingham County, Virginia, Page: 157; NARA Roll: M33_132; Image: 134.

⁷⁵ Campbell County, Virginia Marriage Bonds and Consents, 1782-1853, K-M (Library of Virginia Reel 45); digital images provided by the Archives Dept. February 2021.

Born 26 Sept 1812 in Buckingham County⁷⁶

Married (1) Delia/Delilah Goodman, the daughter of John M. Goodman, in 1831

Married (2) Mary C. (Polly) Agnew in December 1845 in Bedford County, VA

Died in March 1886 in Bedford County, VA⁷⁷

1830-1835 – **Henry D. Kidd**, the son of Henry Kidd, appears on the Buckingham County, VA PPTLs in 1830 and 1831, when he’s still living in his father’s household.

Henry D. Kidd appears annually on the Buckingham County PPTLs in through 1835, as shown in the Table below. He then drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs, and that same year appears on the Campbell County PPTLs.

YEAR	TAXPAYER	WMT	SLAVES	HORSES	COMMENTS
1830	Henry Kidd & son	2	5 16+; 2<16	3	
1831	Henry Kidd	2	4 16+; 2<16	2	
1832	Henry Kidd	1	4 16+; 2<16	4	
	Henry Kidd Jr	1	0	0	
1833	Henry Kidd Est.	0	3 16+; 2<16	2	
	Henry Kidd	1	0	0	
1834	Henry Kidd Est.	0	3 16+	2	
	Henry D. Kidd	1	0	1	
1835	Henry Kidd Est.	0	2 16+	2	No Henry Jr. or Henry D. In 1835
1836	Neither listed				

1831 – On 14 November 1831, Henry Kidd gave consent to the Campbell County, VA court clerk for his son **Henry D. Kidd** [who was under the age of 21] to apply for a marriage license. Henry Kidd signed with an X, witnessed by John Goodman and Hudson Morris.⁷⁸ [See Henry Kidd’s section, above.]

On 15 November 1831, Jesse M. Goodman gave consent to the Campbell County, VA court clerk for the marriage of his daughter Delila F. Goodman and Henry (D.) Kidd.⁷⁹

On the same date, **Henry D. Kidd** entered into a marriage bond in Campbell County, with Hudson Morris as his security for this marriage.⁸⁰ Henry D. Kidd signed his name, while

⁷⁶ The Family Bible of Henry D. Kidd. <http://files.usgwarchives.net/va/campbell/bibles/kidd1.txt>

⁷⁷ He died after 11 February 1886 (the date that he signed his will) and likely by 23 March 1886 (the date that his sons purchased his coffin). See https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=019-1892-020, images 15 and 49 of this Bedford County, VA Chancery Court Case.

⁷⁸ Campbell County, Virginia Marriage Bonds and Consents, 1782-1853, K-M (Library of Virginia Reel 45); digital images provided by the Archives Dept. February 2021.

⁷⁹ Ibid, image 2 (copy available upon request).

⁸⁰ Ibid, image 3 (copy available upon request).

Hudson Morris signed with an X. In this record, the bride's given name is written as Delia Goodman. The marriage occurred on 17 November 1831, according to the family Bible.

1835-1844 – **Henry D. Kidd** first appears on the Campbell County PPTLs in 1835, charged for one white male tithe (his own) and one horse.⁸¹

He appears annually on these lists through 1844, then drops from them in 1845.⁸²

1840 – We are unable to find him on the 1840 federal census.

1841 – Henry D. Kidd's first wife Delilah died 11 November 1841.⁸³

1845 – Henry D. Kidd's name does not appear on the 1845 PPTLs in either Campbell County or Bedford County.

In Bedford County, Virginia, a marriage bond was issued on 17 November 1845 for the marriage of **Henry D. Kidd** and Mary C. Agnew [spelled Egnew], the daughter of William Agnew, bondsman.⁸⁴ The marriage ceremony was performed by William Harris December 10, 1845.⁸⁵

1846-1851 – **Henry D. Kidd** first appears on the Bedford County PPTLs in 1846, taxed for his own tithe, no slaves, and one horse.⁸⁶

In 1847, he is joined on the PPTLs by his brother John A. Kidd.

See the Table below for his PPTL listings through 1851, the last year that we have checked.

YEAR	TAXPAYER	WM >16	Slaves >16	Slaves >12	Horses
1846	Henry D. Kidd	1	0	0	1
1847	Henry Kidd	1	0	0	1
	John A. Kidd	1	0	0	0
1848	Henry D. Kidd	1	0	0	1
	John A. Kidd	1	0	0	0
1849	John Kidd	1	0	0	1
	Henry Kidd	1	0	0	1
1850	John A. Kidd	1	0	0	1
	Henry D. Kidd	1	0	0	1
1851	Henry Kidd	1	0	0	2

⁸¹ Campbell County PPTLs, 1833-1846, FHL #2024504, image 145 of 892, retrieved via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

⁸² Ibid: 1836, image 208; 1837, image 271; 1838, image 329; 1839, image 391; 1840, image 444; 1841, image 500; 1842, image (failed to record image number); 1843, image 624; 1844, image 695.

⁸³ Transcription of family bible. See above.

⁸⁴ Bedford County, Virginia Marriage Bonds, 1800 to 1853, by Joel Ricks, 1939, page 87. Viewable online via familysearch.org on FHL #896772, image 325 of 688 (unrestricted access).

⁸⁵ Bedford County, Virginia Ministers Returns, 1812-1853, retrieved from FHL #30591, image 192 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

⁸⁶ Bedford County, Virginia PPTLs, 1845-1851, FHL #2024477 (unrestricted access), image 121 of 726.

	John A. Kidd	1	0	0	2
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1850 – On the federal census in Bedford County, VA, Northern Division, page 197B, HH 873/809:

Henry D. Kidd 38WM farmer no Real Estate VA

Polly “ 25FW VA

Martha “ 9WF VA

Eliza “ 13FW VA

James “ 11MW VA

Sarah “ 3FW VA

Wm. “ 1MW VA

1860 – On the federal census in Bedford County, VA, Northern District, Bedford Depot P.O., page 31, HH 200/206:

Henry D. Kidd 47MW farmer \$0/350 VA

Mary C. “ 38FW VA

Eliza “ 21FW VA

Wm. A. “ 10MW VA

Mary L. “ 7FW VA

John J. “ 5MW VA

Pauline P. “ 3FW VA

Ann Henry “ 2FW VA

Chas. W. “ 6/12MW VA

1870 – On the federal census in Bedford County, VA, Chamblissburg township, Liberty, VA P.O., page 14, HH 97/76:

Henry D. Kidd 58MW farmer \$7500/700 VA

Mary C. “ 48FW keeps house VA

Wm. A. “ 21MW farm laborer VA

John A. “ 14MW “ “ VA

Mary L. “ 17FW at home VA

Pauline P. “ 14FW at home VA

Ann H. “ 12FW at home VA

Charles W. “ 10MW at home VA

George W. “ 8MW VA

Edward P. “ 6MW VA

1880 – On the federal census in Bedford County, VA, Liberty Magisterial District, E.D. 18, page 31, HH 260/260:

H. D. Kidd 68WM married farmer VA VA VA

M. C. “ 59WF wife keeps house VA VA VA

M. L. “ 28WF daughter VA VA VA

P. P. “ 23WF daughter VA VA VA

A. H. “ 22WF daughter VA VA VA

C. W. “ 20MW son VA VA VA

G. W. “ 18MW son VA VA VA

E. P. “ 16MW son VA VA VA

1886 – **Henry D. Kidd** died testate in Bedford County in March 1886. His estate was the subject of a suit in Bedford County Chancery Court; this record contains a great deal of information about his surviving descendants and includes a copy of his will.⁸⁷

HENRY KIDD, a Free Negro in Buckingham County

Born abt 1790

Died after 1862

1846-1856 – On the Buckingham County, VA PPTLs, **Henry Kidd** appears as a “Free Negro” from 1846 to 1852, with one tithe for each year except 1851. (No list of Free Negroes is available for 1851.) For 1853-1856, and 1862, he is listed with one black tithe. He is not listed for 1857-1861, even though he’s found in Buckingham County on the 1860 federal census.

1850 – On the federal census in District 1 of Buckingham County, VA, page 361B, HH173/173:⁸⁸

Henry Kidd 60MB Laborer (all birthplace entries blank) CROW⁸⁹

Sarah “ 37FB (no occupation listed) CROW

William “ 11MB

George “ 7MB

Susan “ 5FB

Washington “ 2MB

1857 – In this year, **Henry Kidd** drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs; he does not reappear until 1862, charged only for his own tax.

1860 – On the federal census in District No. 2 of Buckingham County, VA, New Canton P.O., page 34, HH 232/231:⁹⁰

Henry Kidd 62MM (Mulatto) laborer VA CROW

Judy “ 40FM VA CROW

Henry “ 8MM VA

Robert “ 5MM VA

Elizabeth “ 6/12FM

1862 – In this year, **Henry Kidd** again appears on this year’s Buckingham PPTL, charged only for his own tax, with no slaves or horses. He does not appear in 1863, the last year we’ve checked, nor on the 1870 census for Buckingham County.

JAMES KIDD(s) – there are three James Kidds in Buckingham County in this time frame:

- 1. James Kidd, son of William and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County, VA**
- 2. James Kidd, son of John Kidd of Tillotson Parish in Buckingham County**
- 3. James Kidd, in Buckingham County in 1830**

⁸⁷ See https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=019-1892-020. A copy of his will and a plat of his lands can be found among the 73 pages of this case. See also Kidds of MSX County tree on Ancestry: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/37652986/person/28057332998/facts>

⁸⁸ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1850 Census 1850 District 1, Buckingham County,, Virginia;
Roll: M432_937; Page: 361B; Image: 380.

⁸⁹ Cannot read or write.

⁹⁰ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1860 Census District 2, Buckingham County,, Virginia;
Roll: M653_1337; Page: 936; Image: 482; Family History Library Film: 805337.

JAMES KIDD, the son of William and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County, VA

James3 (William2, Thomas1) Kidd

Born 27 March 1716 and baptized 28 April 1716 in Christ Church Parish, Middlesex County, VA

Married (1st) Eliza [maiden name not known], likely by 1742

Married (2nd) Mourning Parish in 1755 in Goochland County, VA⁹¹

Likely died in late 1789 or early 1790 in Buckingham County, VA

James Kidd came to central Virginia by the mid-1750s with his brothers Robert, Duel, Moses, John, and Aaron Kidd, and sister Margaret Kidd, who married John Southern. James Kidd's 1760 land grant was in the area of Bear Garden Creek, otherwise known as Phelps Creek, north of the Slate River in what is today Buckingham County.

Based on our research in the central Virginia counties of Goochland, Albemarle, Amherst, Nelson, and Buckingham Counties, we have concluded that James Kidd, son of William and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County, VA, is the patriarch of a large Buckingham County Kidd family:

Moses Kidd, a large landowner who married Elizabeth Toney

John Kidd, a large landowner

Benjamin Kidd, who likely migrated to Surry County, NC

William Kidd, a smaller landowner

Sarah Kidd, married James Boatwright

Dacey Kidd, married Richard Falwell

Judith Kidd, married an unknown Quarles

Patsy (Martha) Kidd, married Reuben Southern

Susannah Kidd, married James Quarles

Nancy (Anna) Kidd, who married a Smith, possibly Platt Smith

After the death of Moses Kidd, his siblings filed a lawsuit in 1803 in Chancery court against Moses's widow Elizabeth Toney Kidd and the estate executors, which provides much information about this family. See [Appendix Four](#) for our Genealogical Proof Statement, based in large part on the details of the lawsuit, that James Kidd is a) the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings, and b) the son of William Kidd and his wife Margaret.

1716 – **James Kidd** was born 27 March 1716 and baptized 28 April 1716 in Christ Church Parish, Middlesex County, Virginia, the son of William and Margaret Kidd.⁹²

1741 – By this year, when he was in his 20s, James had moved to Caroline County, VA:

At a Caroline County court held 12 Jun 1741: Walter Chiles, gentleman, and wife Mary acknowledge deed of feoffment with livery of seizen [term for sale of land] endorsed to **James Kidd**.⁹³

Abt 1743 – **Moses Kidd** was born about 1743, likely in Caroline County, to James and Eliza Kidd.

1749 – At a Caroline County court held 8 Sept 1749: Deed of Robert Prol indented to **James Kidd**. Witnesses: Thos White, James White, John Vaughn.⁹⁴

⁹¹ We hypothesize that this was his second marriage, given that some of his children were born more than a decade prior to this date, AND that James Kidd's wife in 1749 and 1750 was Eliza.

⁹² Christ Church Parish Register, Middlesex County, VA.

⁹³ Caroline County VA Order Book 1740-1746, p. 47.

⁹⁴ Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 45.

1750 – At a Caroline County court held in July 1750: **James Kidd and wife Eliza** acknowledge deed indented to John Cheadle.⁹⁵

At a Caroline County court held 13 July 1750: **James Kidd and wife Eliza** acknowledge deed indented to David Terrell.⁹⁶

1745-1751 – **John Kidd** was likely born between 1744-bef 1751, likely in Caroline County, to James and Eliza Kidd.

1751 – At a Caroline County court held 13 Dec 1751: **James Kidd** bringing a petition against John Black, judgment for the plaintiff Kidd.⁹⁷

1752 – **Benjamin Kidd**, the son of James Kidd, was born in 1752, according to his statement in his Revolutionary War pension application filed in Surry County, NC in 1838. He was likely born in Albemarle County, to James and Eliza Kidd.⁹⁸

Between 1753-1761 – **William Kidd**, the son of James Kidd, was likely born during this period. Depending on the year of his birth, his mother may have been Eliza (who died between 1750-1755), but more likely was Mourning Parish/Farish, whom James Kidd had married by 1755 in Goochland County, VA.

1755 – **James Kid** and Mourning Parish/Farish “both in this parish” were married by 19 Oct 1755, in Goochland County, Virginia by the Rev. William Douglas.⁹⁹ [Note: The dates in the Douglas Register can represent the date by which an event (marriage or birth) had occurred. The marriage could have taken place earlier, sometime after James and Eliza were named in a 1750 Caroline County, VA deed. James’s brother John Kidd married Mourning’s sister Ruth Parish/Farish prior to 1749 in Goochland County. They were daughters of Henry Parish/Farish of Goochland.]

1756 – On 6 Aug 1756, **Dicea Kidd, daughter of James Kidd** [the published book says Kill, an apparent transcription error] and Morning Parish, was born. She was baptized 5 Sept 1756 by the Rev. William Douglas, St. James, Northam Parish.¹⁰⁰

1759 – On 11 Jan 1759, **Mary Kidd, daughter of James Caid** [published book says Caid, an apparent transcription error] and Morning Parish, was born. She was baptized 18 Feb 1759 by the Rev. William Douglas, St. James, Northam Parish.¹⁰¹

1760 – **James Kidd** received a Virginia land patent, recorded 10 Sep 1760 for 290 acres located in Albemarle County, VA on the north side of and adjoining the Slate River. This land lies in present-day Buckingham County, which was formed the next year in 1761.¹⁰² See image below.

⁹⁵ Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 84.

⁹⁶ Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 84.

⁹⁷ Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 54.

⁹⁸ See Fold3.com for original scan of Benjamin Kidd of Virginia pension application folder, R5906

⁹⁹ *The Douglas Register*, pp. 30, 80, 109 citing p. 2 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com.

¹⁰⁰ *The Douglas Register*, p. 167, citing p. 49 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

¹⁰¹ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 54 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

¹⁰² James Kidd, grantee. Virginia Land Office Patents No. 34, 1756-1765, p. 710 (Reel 33-34). Housed at the Library of Virginia. Online images at www.lva.virginia.gov

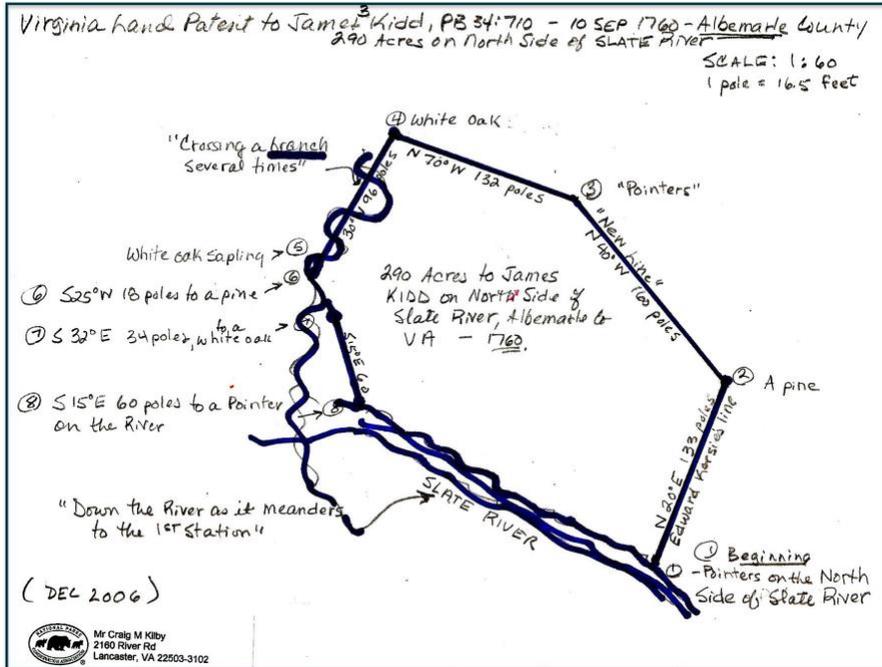


FIGURE: Land plat of James Kidd, 1760, Albemarle County, drawn by Craig Kilby, researcher, Lancaster County, VA

1761 – On 3 Feb 1761, **Sally Kidd, daughter of James Kidd** and Morning Parish, was born. She was baptized 29 Mar 1761 by the Rev. William Douglas, St. James, Northam Parish. ¹⁰³

1773 – **James Kidd** is listed on the Buckingham County tithables list, in the district of John Bernard, with one tith. ¹⁰⁴ Also on this list in John Bernard's district are Moses, Samuel, Benjamin, and William Kidd. James Kidd is not listed in 1774. ¹⁰⁵

1782 – In 1782, the first year for which PPTLs are available for Buckingham County, James Kidd is not listed.

1783, 1787 – **James Kidd** appears on the PPTLs as “duty free by the court” and “exempt from tax,” likely due to his age. He is not listed in 1784-1786, nor after 1787.

1782, 1787-1789 – **James Kidd** appears on the LTLs with 170 acres in 1782 [no list exists for 1783-1786], increased to 209 acres for the years 1787-1789. He disappears from the LTLs in 1790. His estate is not listed on the Buckingham LTLs.

Year	Acres	Notations on Land Tax Lists
1782	170	
1783-1786		No LTLs exist for these years
1787-1789	209	
1790		James no longer listed; no land alteration. ¹⁰⁶

¹⁰³ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 59 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com.

¹⁰⁴ *Virginia Tithables from Burned Record Counties*, by Robert F. and Isabel B. Woodson, published privately, Richmond VA, 1970, p 65

¹⁰⁵ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 19

¹⁰⁶ RK browsed the entire 1790 LTL for parcels of 209 acres, in hopes of learning where James Kidd's land went, but

1785 – 27 Oct, William Kidd, **James Kidd**, Moses Kidd, and Samuel Kidd were among 500 residents of Buckingham County who signed a legislative petition to the Virginia House of Delegates, protesting a levy to pay ministers and arguing for the separation of church and state.¹⁰⁷

1789/1790 – **James Kidd** likely died in Buckingham County in 1789 or 1790 when he is no longer found on the PPTLs. In the Chancery suit *Kidd v Kidd* over Moses Kidd's estate, the deposition of William Wilkinson given 3 Jul 1804 states that Moses had land at the time his will was written in 1781 that was "**given him by his father**" and that Moses later purchased the balance of the land.¹⁰⁸ This is consistent with the Buckingham County, VA LTLs when Moses Kidd is taxed on 200 acres through 1789, after which time his acreage nearly doubles to 367 acres. The location of Moses Kidd's land, on Phelp's Creek (also known as Bear Garden Creek) near New Canton, is in proximity to the location of James Kidd's 1760 land patent.

Note: In Henrico County Court August term 1811, Frank Bowman appeared in court to answer a suit filed by **Mourning Kidd** against Bowman for a breach of the peace. After hearing from witnesses (names not given), the court ordered Bowman to give security of \$100 to ensure his good behavior for 12 months. His sureties were N. Bowman and Thomas Childer(y), each ordered to post \$50 bond each. The nature of the breach of peace was not given. This **Mourning Kidd** most likely is the widow of James Kidd of Slate River in Buckingham County.¹⁰⁹

JAMES KIDD, son of John Kidd of Tillotson Parish in Buckingham County

James5 (John4, James3, William2, Thomas1) Kidd

Born abt 1766¹¹⁰

Possibly married Elizabeth Meglason [Meggenson] in 1789

Died by 1842

1787 – In this year, a **James Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs for the first time, as the second white male tithable in the household of John Kidd, making him born no later than 1766.

1788 – **James Kidd** again appears in the household of John Kidd, this time along with his presumed brother Joseph Kidd (born in 1767).

found no parcels of that size. Moreover, none of the entries contained any indication of where an individual's land came from (e.g., "from J. K.", etc.), as did later LTLs. However, if son Moses inherited this land, it would not be listed as a transfer on the LTLs.

¹⁰⁷ *Protest against the bill obliging the inhabitants of the Commonwealth to pay the teachers of the Christian religion*, Library of Virginia, Legislative Petitions of Buckingham County, Reel 30, Box 314, folder 14, see also <http://files.usgarchives.net/va/buckingham/misc/1785petn.txt>, James Kidd signature p 3

¹⁰⁸ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

¹⁰⁹ Henrico County Court Order Book 16, 1811-1812, p 250.

¹¹⁰ Based upon his appearance in his father's HH as a second tithable, at which time he was at least 21 years old.

1789 – On 7 Jul 1789, the marriage of a **James Kidd** to Elizabeth Meglason [Meggenson], by Rev. Rene Chastain, Jr., is recorded in Chastain’s personal papers.¹¹¹ Because 1789 is the first year that James Kidd appears as head of household, this may be the same James Kidd.

The Meggensons were a prominent family in Albemarle/Amherst/Buckingham and this also could be the source of some of James’s slaves.

1789-1841 – **James Kidd** appears as a household head on the Buckingham County PPTLs in 1789. In 1790, the second year that a James Kidd appears on these tax lists, he is listed as **James Kidd, son of John**:

Date	Name	Assessor	Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4
Apr. 14	Mineaid Roberts	M. Langhorne	2	4		1
15	Hessy Edward		1			1
16	Kid Samuel	Moses Kid.	2			2
17	Kid William (son of James)		1			3
"	Kid Moses	H Kid.	2	2	2	3
May 2	Kid Lewis		1			1
3	Kid William	Moses Kid.	2			2
	Kid Abraham		1			1
	Kid James (son of John)		1			1
	Kid Jope		1			1
	Kid John	Shannon	2	1		2
	Kid Joseph		1			1

Starting in 1791-1792, and again in 1798, only one **James Kidd** appears. He is not listed for the years 1793-1797 and 1799-1803.

James Kidd thereafter appears every year from 1804 to 1841. [There was no tax statewide in 1808. ¹¹²]

See the Table below for the details of his entries in the annual Buckingham PPTLs from 1787 through 1841:

¹¹¹ “Diary of Rev. Rene Chastain Jr.,” *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, p 47

¹¹² Family History Library microfilm #0029901.

The Kidds of Buckingham County, 1761-1863

YEAR	TAXPAYER	ALSO in HH	W Tithes	Tithable Slaves	Horses	Image #; COMMENTS
1787	John Kidd	James Kidd	2	1	3	FHL# 30687, image 123
1788	John Kidd	James Kidd Joseph Kidd	3	1	3	141
1789	Jas Kidd		1	0	1	159
1790	James Kid (son of John)		1	0	1	185
1791	James Kid		1	0	1	196
1792	James Kid		1	0	1	218
1793	James Kidd		1	0	1	238
1794 - 1797	No James Kidd					images 263, 284, 314, and 338
1798	James Kidd		1	0	1	355
1799 - 1803	No James Kidd					images 380, 400, 425, 453, and 483
1804	James Kidd		1	1	1	515
1805	James Kidd		1	0	0	555
1806	James Kidd		1	0	0	585
1807	James Kidd		1	0	0	605
1808	No tax this year					
1809	James Kidd		1	0	0	655
1810	James Kidd		1	2	0	FHL #30688, i 14
1811	James Kidd		1	0	1	64
1812	James Kidd		1	0	0	82
1813	James Kidd		1	0	0	116
1814	James Kidd		1	2	0	170
1815	James Kidd		1	2	0	238
1816	James Kidd		1	2	0	FHL #29902, i 536 ₁₁₃
1817	James Kidd		1	2	0	FHL #30688, i 286
1818	James Kidd		1	1	0	304
1819	James Kidd		1	3	0	340
1820	James Kidd		1	2	0	382

¹¹³ In 1816, the Buckingham County PPTLs were not filmed with the other PPTLs, but instead were filmed with the LTLs that year.

The Kidds of Buckingham County, 1761-1863

1821	James Kidd		1	3	0	444
1822	James Kidd		1	3	1	464
1823	James Kidd		1	3	1	519
1824	James Kidd		1	3	1	551
1825	James Kidd		1	4	1	584
1826	James Kidd		1	5	2	615
1827	James Kidd		1	4	2	FHL #29292, i 26
1828	James Kidd		1	4	2	56
1829	James Kidd		1	4	1	89
1830	James Kidd		1	4	1	124
1831	James Kidd		1	5	1	168
1832	James Kidd		1	4	1	203
1833	James Kidd		1	6	2	248
1834	James Kidd		1	4	1	275
1835	James Kidd		1	4	1	306
1836	James Kidd		1	4	1	336
1837	James Kidd		1	4	2	372
1838	James Kidd		1	3	2	417
1839	James Kidd		1	3	2	478
1840	James Kidd		1	9	2	511
1841	James Kidd		1	3	2	542
1842	Drops from PPTLs					

1810 – **James Kidd** does not appear on the 1810 Buckingham County census.

1813 – In this year, **James Kidd** first appears on the Buckingham LTLs.

Year	Acres	Notations on Land Tax Lists
1813-1835	60	Slate River 20 mi NE of CH
		1814/1815: listed as 60 a, "life estate" Slate River 20 mi NE of CH
		1840: listed as 60 a, "fee simple" Slate River 20 mi NE of CH
1836	34	Slate River 18 mi NE of CH, from William Snoddy
1836-1841		60 a and 34 a land on Slate River
1842-1845		James estate 60 a and 34 a
1843	60	James estate "fee simple" conveyed to – Allen
1845-1863	34	James estate taxable to "legatees"
		[land tax list reel ends in 1863 with James estate still listed]

1820 – **James Kidd** appears on the 1820 Buckingham County census for New Canton, with the following HH: 1 WM 26-44, 1 WF 16-25, 1 WF 45 and over. Slaves: 1 M under 14, 1 M 14-25, 2 F under 14, 1 F 26-44. Number of persons engaged in agriculture: 1. ‘

James is within 5 households of William Kidd, Letty Kidd, and Joseph Kidd.¹¹⁴ He and William own slaves, but the others do not. The relationship of James Kidd, if any, to Letty Kidd is not known.

1830 – **James Kidd** appears on the 1830 Buckingham County census with the following HH, with an older white male and female, and 10 slaves: 1 WM 70-79, 1 WF 50-59. Slaves: 2 M under 10, 1 M 24-35, 3 F under 10, 2 F 10-23, 1 F 24-35, & 1 F 36-44.¹¹⁵

A second **James Kidd** household, with a younger James (born ca 1770-1780) also appears on the 1830 Buckingham County census, with the following large HH that includes 10 slaves: 1 WM 5-9, 1 WM 15-19, 1 WM 50-59, 1 WF under 5, 2 WF 5-9, 1 WF 40-49. Slaves: 1 M under 10, 3 M 10-23, 1 M 24-35, 3 F under 10, 1 F 10-23, and 1 F 24-35.¹¹⁶

1840 – **James Kidd** appears on the 1840 Buckingham County census, Northern District, with the following HH: 1 WM under 5, 1 WM 70-79, 1 WF 40-49. Slaves: 1 M under 10, 2 M 10-23, 1 M 36-54, 2 F 10-23, 1 F 24-35, 1 F 55-99. Five persons employed in agriculture, and one in manufacturing and trade. Both white persons over 20 cannot read and write.¹¹⁷

1840 – 4 July 1840. Depositions at the Diana Mills, Buckingham County, VA, contested election files: “Dr. C.R. Fontaine says he has known **James Kidd** since 1811, and Kidd has had land at least since then, 50+ acres. Kidd is a very old man, but deponent believes him capable of voting.”¹¹⁸

28 Oct 1840 deposition, contested election files: “John Ayres says he has known **James Kidd**, who is a very old man, 70-80 [b ca 1760-1770], and thinks he is a man of very small mind, ignorant and illiterate, but his mind is as good now as it ever was. He has raised children and managed his own affairs.”¹¹⁹

30 Oct 1840 deposition, contested election files: “William Steger says he has known **James Kidd** for years, and that Kidd is 70-80 years old [b ca 1760-1770]. Says he is an ignorant man., but not of unsound mind. Kidd has raised a family of children and a good many Negroes and has gotten along well with his neighbors.”¹²⁰

James Kidd appears on a poll list taken for Allen’s Precinct on 23rd April 1840.¹²¹

1842 – In November 1842, Hull C. Hill, merchant, was named as executor of **James Kidd**, as recorded in the list of all probates, wills, and letters of administration for year preceding 1

¹¹⁴ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1820 U S Census, New Canton, Buckingham, Virginia; Page: 151; NARA Roll: M33_132; Image: 128.

¹¹⁵ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1830 US Census Buckingham County, Virginia; Page: 292; NARA Series: M19; Roll Number: 193; Family History Film: 0029672.

¹¹⁶ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1830 US Census Buckingham County, Virginia; Page: 312; NARA Series: M19; Roll Number: 193; Family History Film: 0029672.

¹¹⁷ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1840 Census Northern District, Buckingham County, Virginia, Roll: 550; Page: 356; Image: 727; Family History Library Film: 0029683.

¹¹⁸ *Burned County Data 1809-1848 As Found in the Virginia Contested Election Files*, compiled by Benjamin B. Weisinger III, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1986, page 46.

¹¹⁹ *Burned County Data 1809-1848 As Found in the Virginia Contested Election Files*, compiled by Benjamin B. Weisinger III, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1986, page 50.

¹²⁰ *Burned County Data 1809-1848 As Found in the Virginia Contested Election Files*, compiled by Benjamin B. Weisinger III, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1986, pp 46-47

¹²¹ *Buckingham County Virginia Extant Poll Lists 1788, 1840, 1841, & 1848*, compiled and transcribed by Jeanne Stinson, Iberian Publishing Company, Athens GA, 1994, p. 39.

February 1843.¹²² This record survives only because it was listed among probates for the preceding year recorded at the end of the 1843 Buckingham County PPTLs.

JAMES KIDD, in Buckingham County in 1830

Born between 1770-1779

1830 – In 1830, when the older James Kidd is listed on the 1830 Buckingham County census, a second **James Kidd** household appears on the census. This younger James (born between 1770-1779) heads a large HH that includes 10 slaves: 1 WM 5-9, 1 WM 15-19, 1 WM 50-59, 1 WF under 5, 2 WF 5-9, 1 WF 40-49. Slaves: 1 M under 10, 3 M 10-23, 1 M 24-35, 3 F under 10, 1 F 10-23, and 1 F 24-35.¹²³

We have found no further records for this James Kidd and do not know his identity. Despite holding a large number of slaves, he does not appear on the LTLs. He is too old to be the son of James Kidd, above.

JANE KIDD HERNDON, the daughter of James and Elizabeth Kidd

Born about 1804 in Buckingham County

Married Robert Herndon, who died before 1860

Died June 1879 in Albemarle County

1804 – **Jane Kidd** was born in 1804 in Buckingham County, to parents James and Elizabeth Kidd, according to her son Robert Herndon, the informant for Jane's death certificate. She was the wife of Robert Herndon.

In 1850 and 1860, this family is found on the Albemarle County, VA census, where Jane died in 1879.

1850 – On the federal census in Scottsville, Albemarle County, VA, p. 298, HH 2016

Herndon, Robert 55WM laborer VA

" , **Jane 52FW VA CROW**

" , George 30MW carpenter VA

" , Harriet 27FW VA

" , Elizabeth 25FW VA

" , Henry 19MW VA

" , Joseph 17MW VA

" , Samuel 15MW VA

" , Robert 10 MW VA

Humphrey, John 7FW (sic) VA

1860 – On the federal census in St. Anne's Parish, Charlottesville P.O., Albemarle County, VA, p. 559, HH 331/330:

¹²² "Buckingham County 1842 Ledger of Wills and Deeds " transcribed by Roger G. Ward, *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, volume 334, page 373, 1996. This ledger was found at the end of the 1843 Buckingham County PPTLs, listing all probate of wills and letters of administration granted in the county court of Buckingham for the "year next preceding the 1st day of Feby 1843." This record can be found on the 1843 Personal Property Tax List, Buckingham , VA, LDS microfilm.

¹²³ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1830 US Census Buckingham County, Virginia; Page: 312; NARA Series: M19; Roll Number: 193; Family History Film: 0029672.

Herndon, Jane 53FW VA CROW¹²⁴

- " , George R. 36MW no occupation listed VA CROW
- " , Elizabeth 25FW VA CROW
- " , Robert 17MW laborer VA
- " , Samuel 21MW laborer VA

1870 – I am unable to find Jane Herndon on the federal census in 1870 in Virginia or elsewhere.

1879 – **Jane Herndon** died in Scottsville in Albemarle County in June 1879. Her son Robert Herndon was the informant for her death record, naming her parents as James and Elizabeth Kidd, and her birthplace as Buckingham County.¹²⁵

JESSE KIDD, in Buckingham County from 1786 to 1790

Born by 1766

Married Ann (Nancy) Chandler

Died in 1822 in Fluvanna County, VA

1786 – On 29 Dec 1786, the marriage of Absalom Kidd to Lettice Owen, by Baptist minister Rev. Rene Chastain, Jr., is recorded in Chastain’s personal papers.¹²⁶ The marriage bond, found in surviving Buckingham County marriage bonds at the Library of Virginia, lists the bondsman as **Jesse Kidd**, witness John Nicholas, J.P.¹²⁷

1786-1790 – **Jesse Kidd** first appears as a household head on the Buckingham County PPTLs in 1786, taxed only for his own tithe. He appears in his own household again in 1787, 1789, and 1790. In 1788, he is the second white tithe in the household of Moses Kidd. He drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs in 1790. See the Table below:

Year	Taxpayer	White Tithes	Slaves	Horses	Image #	Comments
1786	Jesse	1	0	0	107	FHL #30687
1787	Jesse	1	0	0	123	
1788	Moses Kidd	2	2	4	141	Jesse listed by name as 2nd WT
1789	Jesse	1	0	0	159	
1790	Jesse	1	0	1	185	

1790 – On 2 September 1790, the Prince Edward District Court, which included Buckingham County, issued a summons to (among others) **Jesse Kidd of Buckingham County**, ordering him to appear on behalf of the Commonwealth to give evidence against Robert

¹²⁴ CROW = "persons above the age of 20 years who cannot read or write"

¹²⁵ *Buckingham County Virginia Natives Who Died Elsewhere 1853-1896*, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1994, p 64

¹²⁶ "Diary of Rev. Rene Chastain Jr.," *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, pp 46,66

¹²⁷ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 47

Blanks in his trial for murder.¹²⁸

At the same session, Robert Blanks posted bail along with his securities, who included William Kidd of Buckingham. Blanks promised to appear on the first day of the next session of the Court to answer the charge of murder, of which he stands accused. The Court ordered that Blanks be discharged from his imprisonment.¹²⁹

1791 – On 1 April 1791, the Prince Edward District Court returned an indictment against Robert Blanks, a laborer “late of the Parish of Tillotson and County of Buckingham,” for murder. Blanks was remanded into the custody of the Prince Edward County Sheriff, and his witnesses, including **Jesse Kidd**, were discharged. Blanks subsequently pleaded not guilty at trial and was acquitted and released.¹³⁰

1791-1820 – **Jesse Kidd** first appears on the Fluvanna County PPTLs in 1791. He then appears annually on the Fluvanna County PPTLs through 1820.

1804 – **Jesse Kidd** gave a deposition 3 Jul 1804, which was taken at Benjamin Pollard’s tavern in the town of New Canton in Buckingham County, in the Chancery suit *Kidd v Kidd*, and testified that he lived in the house of Moses Kidd in 1788 or 1789.¹³¹ His relationship to Moses is not stated. Moses Kidd was a large landowner and both Jesse Kidd and Henry Kidd are tithes in his household in different years, likely young relatives working for him in some capacity.

Jesse Kidd left a number of records in Fluvanna County, where he died intestate by November 1822, when his wife and widow, Ann (Chandler) Kidd applied to the Fluvanna County Court for letters of administration of Jesse Kidd’s estate. For more on his life and family, see our Fluvanna County compilation.

JOHN KIDD(s)

In a burned records county like Buckingham County, the personal property tax lists (PPTLs) and land tax lists (LTLs) provide the best available information to identify individuals and family groups up to the mid-1800s. The annual tax lists, over a period from 1773 to 1822, help us identify three different men named John Kidd:

1. **John Kidd, son of James Kidd** of Slate River in Buckingham County, a wealthy John Kidd with land and slaves; brother of Moses, William, and Benjamin Kidd; born between 1744-1751 and likely deceased by April 1803.

¹²⁸ District Court Order Book One, Prince Edward County, Virginia, 1789-1792, page 107, from "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J3QV-K>), image 63;

¹²⁹ District Court Order Book One, Prince Edward County, Virginia, 1789-1792, page 109, from "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J3QF-6?lang=en&i=63>), image 64

¹³⁰ District Court Order Book One, Prince Edward County, Virginia, 1789-1792, pages 159-160: (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J3QQ-Y>), image 89

¹³¹ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al v.* Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al.* 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

2. **John Kidd, son of the elder John Kidd** of Slate River and a landowner on Slate River. He was born by 1774 and died by 1822.
3. **John Kidd, son of William Kidd Sr.**, of Buckingham County; born by 1762; married Selia/Celia and moved to Amherst County by 1798, where he died by 1813.

JOHN KIDD, of Tillotson Parish, son of James Kidd of Slate River, Buckingham County
John4 (James3, William2, Thomas1) Kidd
Likely born between 1744-1751 in Caroline County¹³²
Died by April 1803, most likely in Buckingham County
Name of wife or wives not known
Sons James, Joseph, Sherwood, Edmund, Archibald/Archer, Absalom, William, and John¹³³
Names of any daughters are not known

The primary and older John Kidd (b between 1744-1751) who appears from 1782 to 1803 on the PPTLs is John, son of James of Slate River. He appears every year except 1783. The first year this John Kidd is noted as John Senr is 1792. John's household tithables are identifiable as slaves and as a number of sons, named as James, Joseph, Sherwood, Edmund, Archibald/Archer, Absalom, and William. He also has a younger son named John, who is never explicitly named in father John's household, but who appears consistently with brother Archibald/Archer in later years.

1745-1751 – **John Kidd** was likely born between 1744-bef 1751 in Caroline County to James and Eliza Kidd.

1773, 1774 – **John Kidd** "of Tillotson Parish" is listed with one tithe both years, appearing on the list of John Nicholas. ¹³⁴, ¹³⁵ [Note: Edward Kersey and Edward Kersey Jr also are listed as "of Tillotson Parish" in 1773, with Kersey Jr as a tithe of Kersey [Sr]. This is likely the same Edward Kersey whose lands adjoin those of John's father **James Kidd** in James's 1760 Albemarle County land grant.]

Before 16 October 1776 – John Kidd and **Moses Kidd** were among the signers in Buckingham County of the Ten Thousand Names Petition, which was submitted to the newly formed Virginia General Assembly 16 October 1776. This remarkable document took its name from a petition that was initiated by Baptist ministers (in the Buckingham area, local Baptist minister Rev. Rene Chastain) and eventually circulated throughout much of Virginia.

Groups of men signed the petitions in their local areas, and then the signature lists were literally cut and pasted together, which gave the petition its title of Ten Thousand Names. It

¹³² He had to have been at least 21 years of age when he signed a legislative petition in Buckingham County. He was likely born by 1744, since his son James was born in 1766.

¹³³ All except the younger John Kidd appear in the elder John Kidd's household on the PPTLs, sometimes identified specifically as sons. The younger John Kidd is associated with Archibald on the PPTLs and is likely another son of John Kidd.

¹³⁴ *Virginia Tithables from Burned Record Counties*, by Robert F. and Isabel B. Woodson, published privately, Richmond VA, 1970, p 65 See FHL #30684, image 9 for his entry on the 1773 Tithables list of John Nicholas, taxed only for his own tithe.

¹³⁵ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 19

was also known as the Dissenters' Petition. The signers were not all Baptist, nor necessarily passionate about religious freedom; some signed to protest taxation by the established Church of England. While the dates of the individual petitions are not known, the full petition was submitted in October 1776, with the signatures of "near 10,000 Freemen."¹³⁶

A transcription of names on the petition was published over multiple issues of the Virginia Genealogical Society's *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, Volumes 35-38, available for online search at Ancestry.com. The name of **John Kidd** appears in Vol 37, no 2, p 154. The name of **Moses Kidd** appears in Vol 37, no 2, p 155. The names of **Aaron Kid, Benjamin Kidd, two John Kidds, Lewis Kidd, William Kidd, Norman Kidd [John Norman Kidd], and Moses Kidd**, noted as signatures likely collected in Fluvanna County, all are listed on the same page in Vol 36, no 1, p 38. The transcriptions of these lists were not alphabetized, so clues are found for the Kidds' friends and neighbors.

1794 – On 15 November 1794, **John Kid** and William Kidd were among residents of Tillotson Parish in Buckingham County who signed a legislative petition to the Virginia House of Delegates, asking that the Glebe lands, the church being vacant and in poor repair with no minister, be sold and the proceeds used for paying taxes or county use.¹³⁷

1782 – **John Kidd** appears on the first Buckingham County PPTL, with one white tithable. Starting in 1785, he begins to be taxed on 2 to 3 white tithes in his household, presumably all his sons.

The following Table shows his PPTL entries and, starting in 1809, those for his sons John and Archibald when they assumed control of his estate (likely from their brother Joseph):

TABLE: Buckingham County PPTLs for John Kidd and sons John and Archibald, 1782-1821

YEAR	TAXPAYER	Also in HH	W Tithes	Tithable Slaves	Horses	Image #; COMMENTS
1782	John Kidd	-	1	0	4	FHL #30687, image 14
1783	not listed					image 42
1784	John Kidd	-	1	0	4	72
1785	John Kidd	1 [not named]	2	0	4	89
1786	John Kidd	2 [not named]	3	0	3	107
1787	John Kidd	James + 1 WM under 21/16+	2	1	3	123
1788	John	Jas & Jos	3	1	3	141
1789	Jno.	Sherwood	2	1	3	159
	John Kid	Sherwood	2	1	2	185
	John Kidd	Sherwood	2	1	2	196

¹³⁶ Source: <https://uncommonwealth.virginiamemory.com/blog/2022/09/21/that-the-oppressed-may-go-free-a-petition-to-the-virginia-general-assembly-for-religious-freedom/>. A PDF of the original document can be found at https://rosetta.virginiamemory.com/delivery/DeliveryManagerServlet?dps_pid=IE3435021.

¹³⁷ *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, p 30

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	Jno. Senr	"SK"	2	1	2	218; "SK" is Sherwood
1793	John Kidd	"S, E, & A"	4	1	2	238; S, E, &A: Sherwood, Edmund & Archibald Kidd
	John Kidd	Archer & S	3	1	2	263
1795	John Kidd	3 [not named]	4	1	2	284; other taxable WMs in HH not named in 1795
1796	John Kidd Senr	Sam, Abs & Wm.	4	1	3	314; poss clerical error; Sam probably Sherwood
1797	John Senr.	Wm.	2	1	4	338
1798	John Sr.	W. Kidd	2	2	3	355
1799	John Sr.	none	1	2	2	380
1800	John Sr.	none	1	2	3	400
1801	John	none	1	2	2	424
1802	John Sr.	none	1	2	2	453
1803	John Sr.	none	1	3	2	483
1804	John Sr.	none	1	3	3	515
1805	John Sr.	none	1	3	2	555
1806	Jno. Sr.	none	1	3	2	FHL #30687, i585
1807	John	none	1	3	1	605
1808	no tax statewide					
1809	Jno. Senr.	none	1	0	0	655
	Archibald	[John Sr son]	1	3	2	655
1810	no John Kidd					FHL #30688, image 14
1811	Jno Sr	-	1	0	0	64
1812	John	-	1	0	0	82
1813	John		1	4	34	115
1814	John		1	4	3	170
1815	John & Arch'd		2	5	3	238
1816	Archibald	[John implied]	2	4	2	FHL #29902, image 536 ¹³⁸
1817	John	[Archibald 2 WT this yr]	1	0	0	286
1818	John & Arch'd		2	4	3	304
1819	John		1	0	0	340
1820	John		1	0	0	382
1821	John & Arch'd		2	7	1	444
1822	John not listed after 1821					464

¹³⁸ During the microfilming of the Buckingham County PPTLs, The PPTL for 1816 was inadvertently included with the Buckingham County Land Tax Lists, rather than in its expected place with the PPTLs. Thus it is found on a different FHL microfilm, #29902.

1782-1811 – The Buckingham County, VA LTLs also begin in 1782. In 1782, **John Kidd** appears on the LTLs, taxed on 240 acres. He continues to be taxed on this 240 acres for 1787-1798. In 1799 his acreage drops to 190 acres, and he's taxed on this land annually through 1801. (See Table below).

On the 1802 LTLs, John Kidd's taxable acreage has increased to 324 acres, and is now listed under the name of John's son Joseph Kidd, with "ditto" John Kidd written under Joseph Kidd's name. This continues through 1811. In 1812, this 324 acres is listed under Joseph Kidd. This suggests that John Kidd was deceased sometime in 1803.

TABLE: Buckingham County LTLs for John Kidd, 1782-1812

Year	Acres	Notations on Land Tax Lists
1782	240	
1787-1798	240	in 1794, taxed for herd of goats
1799-1802	190	In 1799, John Kidd sold 50 acres to Milly Badget, reducing his total to 190 acres ¹³⁹
1803	-	John Kidd Sr. drops from these LTLs; in the same year, Joseph Kidd has an additional 324 acres, with the notation that we believe indicates 'from John Kidd.' The source of the additional acreage is not known.
1803-1811	324	under Joseph Kidd is written "<symbol> John Kidd"; = "from"
1812	324	John Kidd's 324 acres now listed under Joseph Kidd [see Joseph Kidd section]. In 1813, the names of both Joseph and John drop from the lists.

Note: The Buckingham County PPTLs for the years 1803 to 1809 for the older John Kidd can be interpreted in more than one way:

- John Kidd may have died as early as 1803/1804, when his land holdings begin to be taxed in the name of son Joseph Kidd, with the notation “from John Kidd”.
- While a household in the name of John or John Sr, with slave tithables, continues to appear on the PPTLs from 1803 to 1809, starting in 1803, son Joseph Kidd (who assumes the tax on John's land) does not appear in his own name again on the Buckingham PPTLs, although he is responsible for the land tax on John Kidd's land during these years, up to 1809. Furthermore, Joseph, who settled in Brunswick County, VA, does not appear on the Brunswick County PPTLs until 1809.
- 1809 is also the year that Archibald/Archer begins to be taxed on the PPTLs for his father John's slaves, and either he or brother John are taxed on their father John's slaves in the following years.
- It is possible that John Kidd did not die until 1808/1809, when his land is no longer listed in Joseph's name, and when his slave tithables begin to appear under the name of son Archibald/Archer. If John were alive during this time, then it is likely that son Joseph was representing John's interests. In 1803, Joseph Kidd also becomes listed as one of the lead plaintiffs in the case *Kidd v Kidd*, for which his father John Kidd was one of the original lead plaintiffs. See next section.

¹³⁹ *Buckingham County Virginia Land Tax Summaries and Implied Deeds, Vol 1: 1782-1814*, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian

1803 – In late 1802 or early 1803, **John Kidd** is named as the lead plaintiff in a lawsuit filed in Chancery court contesting the will of Moses Kidd. The Chancery suit, titled *Kidd v Kidd (John Kidd et al v Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd et al)*, survives because it was filed in Prince Edward County District Court and thus was not destroyed in the Buckingham County courthouse fires.¹⁴⁰ The named plaintiffs were the siblings of Moses Kidd: “**John Kidd**, William Kidd, Benjamin Boatright son of James Boatright, and others.” The named defendants were Moses Kidd’s widow and estate executors: “Elizabeth Kidd wife of Moses Kidd deceased and others.”

At issue was the property – land and slaves – belonging to Moses Kidd at the time of his death in 1798. His widow Elizabeth Kidd had filed a will a few days after his death that left his considerable estate solely to her. Moses’s siblings were contesting the will’s validity. Moses and Elizabeth were childless, and Moses’s siblings knew that, if the will were invalidated, his estate would be distributed among his living heirs, with only a widow’s 1/3 portion to go to Elizabeth.

On 7 Jan 1803, John Williams, Moses Kidd’s neighbor, gave a deposition that states Moses Kidd said to him that Moses wanted his estate “to go to the families of **John Kidd** and James Boatright [husband of Sarah Kidd, Moses’s sister] who were nearer to him than any other.”¹⁴¹ In other depositions, John is noted as a large landowner in his own right, with testimony that he was considered capable of managing his brother Moses’s holdings.

Sometime in 1803, John Kidd Sr. had presumably died or was unable to manage his own assets and interests, because the name of his son Joseph Kidd appears on John’s behalf in the lawsuit.

John Kidd’s slaves became part of son Archibald and John’s tithables after his death. We do not know the disposition of John Kidd’s 324 acres. His son Archibald does not appear on the LTLs. His son John is taxed on 170 acres starting in 1813, so this tract could have been part of the elder John’s land. There is no entry for John Kidd’s land on the tax alterations list as having been sold or transferred.

JOHN KIDD JR., son of John Kidd of Tillotson Parish in Buckingham County¹⁴²
John5 (John4, James3, William2, Thomas1) Kidd
Born no earlier than 1776 in Buckingham County¹⁴³
Died by 1822 in Buckingham County

¹⁴⁰ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al v.* Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al.* 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

¹⁴¹ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al v.* Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al.* 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

¹⁴² All John’s sons except the younger John Kidd appear in the elder John Kidd’s household on the Buckingham County PPTLs, or are identified on the PPTLs specifically as sons of John. The younger John Kidd is associated with Archibald on the Buckingham County PPTLs and thus appears to be another son of John Kidd.

¹⁴³ This John’s age can be estimated from the 1820 Buckingham County census, when he likely is the second, younger male, aged 26-44 [thus born no earlier than 1776], in the household of Archibald Kidd, who is the male aged 45 or over [thus born by 1775].

1811-1821 – The first PPTL entry that can be definitively assigned to **John Kidd** is 1811. He continues to appear on the PPTLs for the next decade, either in his own household or taxed jointly with his brother Archibald, including the slave tithables of their father John Kidd. [See Table above.]

Interestingly, he is never noted as John Kidd Jr. on the PPTLs. By the time he appears by name on the PPTLs, his father John is dead, and the other John Kidd in the county is consistently identified as John, son of William.

1813-1821 – In 1813, **John Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County LTLs, taxed on 170 acres on the Slate River, identified as his residence 20 miles NE of the Courthouse. This entry continues until 1821. It is not known how he acquired this land, which may have been part of the larger tract owned by his father John.

TABLE: Buckingham County LTLs for John Kidd, 1813-1830

Year	Acres	Notations on Land Tax Lists
1813-1821	170	on Slate River, his residence 20 mi NE of CH
1822-1825	170	estate, on Slate River 20 mi NE of CH
1826-1829	168	now listed as 168 acres on Slate River 20 mi NE of CH
1830		conveyed by William H Perkins to Archibald Kidd
		Archibald Kidd conveyed the same to Francis Modena
		Francis Modena on 1830 tax list w/ 160 a, Slate River 20 mi NE of CH

1822-1825 – In 1822, **John Kidd's** 170-acre tract is listed as the Estate of John Kidd, with the acreage slightly decreased to 168 acres from 1826 to 1829.

1830 – In 1830, this tract was conveyed by William H. Perkins, a Buckingham County attorney, to Archibald Kidd, who then conveyed it the same year to Francis Modena. On the 1830 tax list, Modena's land is listed as "formerly **Jno Kidd's est.**"

The fact that Perkins, an attorney, conveyed the land to Archibald Kidd suggests that John Kidd died intestate and likely without heirs, so that his land passed to his brother Archibald.

JOHN KIDD SR., son of William Kidd Sr. of Buckingham County

Born by 1762 ¹⁴⁴

Married Selia/Celia [maiden name not proven]

Moved to Lexington Parish in Amherst County by 1798

Died by 1813 in Amherst County

John Kidd is consistently identified on the Buckingham County PPTLs as John, son of William, from 1783 until he drops from the PPTLs in 1798. He is not found on the 1786 or 1793 PPTLs, but otherwise appears every year, identified as follows:

- In 1783, John is a tithable in his father William's household. In 1784-1785, William has two tithables; the second unnamed tithable can be inferred as son John.
- In 1787, John is again named in his father William's household.

¹⁴⁴ This estimated year of his birth is based upon his first appearance on the Buckingham County PPTLs in 1783 in his father's household as a second taxable white male aged 21 or older. The age at which white males became tithable was reduced from 21 to 16 in 1788.

- In 1788, John is listed in his own household as John Jr.
- In 1789, John is listed in his own household as John, son of William.
- In 1790 and 1791, John is named as a tithable in the household of a wealthy John Allen, where he was likely employed.
- In 1792, John is listed in his own household as John Junr with a tithable “MK” in his household. This is most likely his brother Moses Kidd.
- In 1794, John is listed in his own household as John Junr.
- In 1795, 1796, and 1797, John is listed in his own household as John, son of Wm.
- In 1798, John Kidd, son of William, drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs. This is consistent with the date that John Kidd of Buckingham County purchased land in Amherst County, VA and moved there, where he is found up to 1813.

TABLE: Buckingham County PPTLs for John Kidd, son of William, 1783-1797

YEAR	TAXPAYER	Also in HH	W Tithes	Tithable Slaves	Horses	Image #; COMMENTS
1783	William Kidd	John Kidd	2	0	2	FHL #30687, image 42
1784	William Kidd	[not named; likely John]	2	0	3	72
1785	William Kidd	[not named; likely John]	2			89
1786	[only one John, who is John Sr.]					107
1787	William Kidd	John Kidd	2	0	2	123
1788	John Jr.		1	0	1	141
1789	Jno, son of Wm	-	1	0	0	159
1790	John Allen	Jno. Kidd	2	4	3	178
1791	John Allen	Jno. Kidd	2	3	3	192
1792	Jno. Kidd Junr	MK [Moses]	2	0	2	217
1793	[Only John Sr appears this yr]					238
1794	John Kidd Junr		1	0	2	263
1795	John, son of Wm		1	0	1	284
1796	John, son of Wm		1	0	1	314
1797	John, son of Wm		1	0	2	338
1798	drops from PPTLs when he moves to Amherst Co		1	0	2	338

Below is an image of the 1795 Buckingham PPTL:

Date	Person's Name or Charge with Taxable Property	White Tithe	Black Tithe	Horse	Image
June 20	Kidd William (son of Wm)	1	0	0	2
June 22	Kidd John (son of Wm)	1	0	0	1
	Kidd Lewis	1	0	0	0
	Kidd John	1	1	0	2
	Kidd Absalom	1	0	0	1
June 20	Kidd William	2	0	0	3
June 27	Kidd Moses	1	1	1	2
June 21	Kidd Samuel	2	0	0	1
Sept 18	Kincaid Robert	1	18	2	12

FIGURE: The Buckingham County, Virginia PPTL for 1795, showing the listings of Kidd household heads charged with taxes. John “(son of Wm)” is on the second line of this listing.

In 1798, this John Kidd drops from the Buckingham PPTLs, and a John Kidd appears the same year on the Amherst County PPTLs, in Lexington Parish, with one white tithe, where he is the only Kidd found.

1797 – On 16 October 1797, John Arrington of Amherst County sold to **John Kidd of Buckingham County**, for £50, a tract containing 115 acres in Amherst County, on both sides of Little Indian Creek adjacent to John Willford and John Arrington. The deed was recorded on the same day that it was signed.¹⁴⁵ John Arrington and his wife Susannah both signed the deed. Little Indian Creek is near the boundary with Nelson County. See 1801 (below) for what became of this land.

1798-1813 – In 1798, **John Kidd** appears for the first time in 1798 on the Lexington Parish, Amherst County PPTLs with one white tithe, where he is the only Kidd listed. This John Kidd continued to appear on the Amherst County PPTLs through 1812, then drops from the list in 1813, by which time he likely has died.

TABLE: Amherst County PPTLs for John Kidd, 1798-1812

YEAR	TAXPAYER	WM T	B>16	B12-16	Horse s	Image #	COMMENTS
1798 Lex Par	John Kidd	1	0	0	1	417	FHL #2024457
1799 Lex Par	John Kidd	1	0	0	1	463	
1800 Lex Par	John Kidd	1	0	0	1	493	
1801 Lex Par	John Kidd	1	0	0	1	511	
1802 Lex Par	John Kidd	1	0	0	2	566	
1803 Lex Par	John Kidd	1	0	0	2	600	

¹⁴⁵ Amherst County VA Deed Book H, p. 282, abstracted by Nancy Heuser, LoV, 2007.

1804 Lex Par	John Kidd	1	0	0	1	37	FHL #2024458
1805 Lex Par	John Kidd	1	0	0	1	79	
1806 Lex Par	John Kidd	2	0	0	0	119	
1807 Lex Par	John Kidd	2	0	0	0	159	Nelson Co formed from Amherst
1808	No tax statewide						
1809	John Kidd	2	0	0	1	181	Amherst Co
1810	John Kidd	2	0	0	2	203	Amherst Co
1811	John Kidd Sr.	1	0	0	3	225	Amherst Co
1812	John Kidd Sr.	2	0	0	3	246	Amherst Co

From 1798 to 1813, John Kidd appears in Amherst County records:

1799 – Amherst County June court 1799. On the motion of John T. Wilsford, it is ordered that John Smith, William Martin, John Martin, **John Kidd** and Daniel Tyler or any three of them, being first sworn do view a way for a road from Benjamin Carpenter’s to where William Arrington lives, and report to the Court the conveniences and inconveniences attending the same.¹⁴⁶

1801 – Amherst County Court, May 1801. Govan & Weir, assignees of William and James Taliaferro, Plaintiffs vs **John Kidd**, Defendant} In Debt. John T. Wilsford comes into court and undertakes for the Deft. that in case he shall be cast in this suit, he shall satisfy and pay the condemnation of the Court or render his body to prison in execution for the same, or that he the said John T. Wilsford will do it for him...The Deft. then pleaded payment, and the Plt replied generally...the office judgment rendered in this case is set aside (and the case continued).¹⁴⁷

In a deed dated 27 November 1801 and recorded 15 February 1802, **John Kidd** and his wife Selia of Amherst County” sold to Isaac Scott of Amherst County a tract of land containing 115 acres on Little Indian Creek, adjacent to John Wilsford and John Arrington. John Kidd signed with an X, and was unable to write.¹⁴⁸

1802 – Amherst County Court, February 1802. An Indenture of Bargain and Sale between **John Kidd and Selia** his wife of the one part and Isaac Scott of the other part was proven by the oaths of Thomas Woodroof, George Dillard and John Tyler, witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.¹⁴⁹

Amherst County Court, March 1802. William Martin, Plt. v. **John Kidd**, Dft.} In Debt.

¹⁴⁶ Amherst County Circuit Court Order Book 1799-1801, p 2.

¹⁴⁷ FHL #1888556, Amherst County Order Books, 1800-1802, Item 1: Amherst County Order Book 1799-1801, part 2 (pp. 350-625), page 463, abstracted by RK at the Bellevue FHC on June 14, 2014.

¹⁴⁸ Amherst County VA Deed Book I, pp. 344-345, transcribed by Nancy Heuser, LoV, 2007. An abstract of this deed appears in *The Deeds of Amherst County, Virginia, 1761-1807 and Albemarle County, Virginia, 1748-1763*, by The Rev. Bailey Fulton Davis, Southern Historical Press, 1979, p. 380. Images retrieved from Amherst DB I, pp. 344-345 via Familysearch.org. Image available upon request.

¹⁴⁹ FHL #1888556, Amherst County Order Books, 1800-1802, Item 2: Amherst County Order Book, December 1801-October 1802, page 16, abstracted by RK at the Bellevue FHC on June 14, 2014.

William Evans offers special bail for the Deft...Deft pleads payment... the office judgment in this case is set aside (case continued).¹⁵⁰

Amherst County Court, March 1802. Govan & Weir assignees of William and James Taliaferro, Plts. vs. **John Kidd**, Deft.} In Debt. Deft. acknowledges the Plaintiff's action...Court rules that the Plt. recover against the Deft. the sum of £42.7.10, the debt in the declaration, and his costs...Deft. in mercy pleads...This judgment is to be discharged by the payment of £21.3.11, with interest from 1 May 1800 till paid, and costs.¹⁵¹

Amherst County Court, May 1802. Govan & Weir, assignees of William and James Taliaferro, Plts. vs. **John Kidd** and William England, Defts.} On a motion upon a bond for the forthcoming and delivery of property taken on delivery of a writ of fieri facias sued out of this Court by the plaintiffs against the estate of the defendant **John Kidd**. Defts. acknowledge the Plts. motion. Court rules that the Plts. recover against the Defts. the sum of £54.9, the penalty of the said bond, and their costs...Defts. in mercy plead...this judgment is to be discharged by payment of £27.4.6 with interest from 16 April 1802 till paid.¹⁵² [Note: The reference to the estate of John Kidd refers to his assets, and does not mean that he is deceased.]

Amherst County Court, May 1802. William Martin, assignee of Wm. Arrington, who was assignee of John Arrington, Plt. vs. **John Kidd**, Deft.} In Debt. Deft acknowledges the plaintiff's action...the Court rules that the Plt. recover against the Deft the quantity of two thousand weight of tobacco, the debt in the declaration, and his costs...Deft. in mercy pleads...this judgment (the costs excepted) may be discharged by the payment of one thousand weight of tobacco, with interest from 1 May 1800 till paid.¹⁵³

On 24 September 1802, **John Kidd** gave a deposition in the town of New Glasgow, in an Amherst County Chancery suit over a debt owed by William Martin to John T. Wilsford. **John Kidd** signed his deposition with an X, indicating that he was not able to read or write.¹⁵⁴

1806 – **John Kidd** of Lexington Parish is listed with 2 white tithes for the years 1806 to 1810. He is the only Kidd in Lexington Parish from 1798 through 1806. In 1807, Richard Kidd and William Kidd also appear in Lexington Parish.

In 1811, his WMT tithes drop from two to one, and John Kidd Jr. first appears (See below) alongside John Kidd Sr. This John Kidd Jr. may be the son of John Kidd Sr., which would make his birth year by 1790. In 1812, John Kidd Sr. is again listed with 2 white tithes, possibly signaling a second son in his household reaching taxable age.

¹⁵⁰ FHL #1888556, Amherst County Order Books, 1800-1802, Item 2: Amherst County Order Book, December 1801-October 1802, page 30, abstracted by RK at the Bellevue FHC on June 14, 2014.

¹⁵¹ FHL #1888556, Amherst County Order Books, 1800-1802, Item 2: Amherst County Order Book, December 1801-October 1802, page 70, abstracted by RK at the Bellevue FHC on June 14, 2014.

¹⁵² FHL #1888556, Amherst County Order Books, 1800-1802, Item 2: Amherst County Order Book, December 1801-October 1802, page 122, abstracted by RK at the Bellevue FHC on June 14, 2014.

¹⁵³ FHL #1888556, Amherst County Order Books, 1800-1802, Item 2: Amherst County Order Book, December 1801-October 1802, page 163, abstracted by RK at the Bellevue FHC on June 14, 2014.

¹⁵⁴ Amherst County Chancery Court case 1805-020, viewable online at https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/full_case_detail.asp?CFN=009-1805-020#img, images 16-17.

Only one John Kidd appears for the years 1813 and 1814. This may be John Jr.

1808 – **John Kidd** was security for the marriage bond of William Kidd and Susanna Logan 2 June 1808 in Amherst County, VA.¹⁵⁵ An abstract of this marriage lists Susanna Logan "of Amherst County for upwards of 12 months," and lists Susanna's parent or guardian as Anthony Logan, "not of Amherst County." The witness was Saml. Garland.¹⁵⁶

1810 – On the federal census in Amherst County, VA, p. 3a, line 4:
John Kidd – 4FWM 0-9, 1 16-25 & 1>44; 1F 10-15, 1 16-25 & 1>44.

Judith Kidd married William Ross on 30 June 1810 in Amherst County, VA. This record names her parent or guardian¹⁵⁷ as **John Kidd**.¹⁵⁸ She was most likely the female age 16-25 in the 1810 census record above.

1811 – **John Kidd** is mentioned in a Deed of Trust on 7 April 1811 in which Isaac Scott mortgaged 113 acres of land on Little Indian Creek he had bought of **John Kidd**, and where he (Scott) now lived. Debt to David Garland.¹⁵⁹ (See 1802, above.)

1812 – **John Kidd Sr.** was security for the marriage bond of John Kidd Jr. and Lucy Logan dated 5 Feb 1812 in Amherst County, VA.^{160 161}

1813 – John Kidd Sr. does not appear on the Amherst County PPTLs after 1812. We believe that he died in late 1812 or early 1813, likely in Amherst County. . We have found no record of death for him (death records are rare in this era). What became of John Kidd Sr. and his wife Selia after 1812 is unknown.

The children of **John and Celia/Selia Kidd** are believed to be:

1. **William Kidd Jr.**, 1787-1876, War of 1812 soldier, married Susannah Logan in 1808 in Amherst County, migrated to Georgetown, Vermilion County, IL
2. **Judith Kidd**, married William Ross in 1810 in Amherst County

¹⁵⁵ *Virginia Marriages, 1785-1940*, at <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1708698>

¹⁵⁶ *Amherst County, Virginia, Courthouse Miniatures – Marriage Data. Marriage bonds and returns, 1801-1854, and comments by compiler on some data and families*, by Bailey Fulton Davis, Amherst Courthouse, VA, 1965, p. 2K. The source for this was evidently "Register of Marriages, Amherst County, 1763-1853," page 211, available as FHL #30273, image 498 via familysearch.org (restricted access). Retrieved 28 December 2019 at SPL by RK – image available upon request.

¹⁵⁷ His name appears in the column titled "Parent or Guardian of the Wife" in this register. It is more likely that he's her father, as he is also listed as the security for their marriage bond.

¹⁵⁸ *Virginia Marriages, 1785-1940*, at <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1708698> "Register of Marriages, Amherst County, 1763-1853," page 212, available as FHL #30273, image 509 via familysearch.org (restricted access). Retrieved 28 December 2019 at SPL by RK – image available upon request.

¹⁵⁹ *The Deeds of Amherst County, Virginia, 1807-1827, Books L-R*, by Bailey Fulton Davis, Southern Historical Press, Inc., Easley, SC, 1985, p. 49, citing Amherst DB M, p. 36. This deed is viewable online at familysearch.org, FHL #30290, image 48 of 733. RK confirmed this at the Bellevue FHC on July 30, 2019. Copy available in the Deeds subfolder of the Amherst Source Documents folder on Dropbox.

¹⁶⁰ *Virginia Marriages, 1785-1940*, at <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1708698> Also found in Amherst County Virginia Marriages, abstracted for Kidd entries by Nancy Heuser at the Library of Virginia, September 2007. The latter source contains Lucy's given name.

¹⁶¹ *Amherst County, Virginia, Courthouse Miniatures – Marriage Data. Marriage bonds and returns, 1801-1854, and comments by compiler on some data and families*, by Bailey Fulton Davis, Amherst Courthouse, VA, 1965, p. 2K. A digital image of "Register of Marriages, Amherst County, 1763-1853, page 230 (retrieved from FHL #30273, image 317) is available upon request from the authors.

3. **John Kidd Jr.**, ca 1789-1855, War of 1812 soldier, married Lucy Logan in 1812 in Amherst County, migrated to Knox Co, TN
4. **Hezekiah Kidd**, ca 1794-1859, married Dicey Logan in 1819 in Amherst County, migrated to Knox County, TN

We believe that William Kidd Sr. of Buckingham County had three sons: John, who moved to Amherst County; Moses, who moved to Chatham County, NC; and Lewis, who moved to Blount County, TN. John's sons John Jr. and Hezekiah also moved to east Tennessee, to Knox County, which neighbors Blount County where their presumed uncle Lewis Kidd had settled.

AN UNATTRIBUTED JOHN KIDD

The 1805 Buckingham County PPTL has an entry for **John Kidd "SW"** with 1 white tithable, which appears one year only. The notation "SW" appears to represent "son of W[illiam]," but William Kidd's son John was being taxed in Amherst County at this time. It is not clear who this John Kidd "SW" is, or if "SW" has a different meaning. No other records for this John Kidd have been found.

JOSEPH KIDD, son of John Kidd of Tillotson Parish in Buckingham County

Joseph5 (John4, James3, William2, Thomas1) Kidd

Born ca 1767 in Buckingham County

Married Sarah Pennington in 1809 in Brunswick County, VA

Died in Brunswick County on 18 Dec 1869

1767 – **Joseph Kidd** was born in 1767 in Buckingham County to father John Kidd [name of mother not listed], according to his son J.W. Kidd, the informant for Joseph's death certificate.

Joseph, "consort of Sarah Kidd," died 18 Dec 1869 in Brunswick County. His age was given on his death certificate as 102 years.¹⁶²

1788 – **Joseph Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs in the HH of John Kidd, along with James Kidd, in 1788. Joseph would have been 21 and of taxable age by 1788, which is consistent with his birth date of 1767 given by his son J.W. Kidd on Joseph's death certificate.

1790, 1800, 1802 – **Joseph Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs in these three years with one white tithe 21+. He does not appear on the PPTLs any other year, but is listed on the Buckingham LTLs through 1812.

1803 – By 23 April 1803, **Joseph Kidd** is named as lead plaintiff in the Chancery suit *Kidd v Kidd* with his brother Sherwood Kidd, which suggests their father John Kidd, original lead plaintiff, has died.¹⁶³

1794-1812 – From 1794, the first year that he appears on the Buckingham LTLs, through 1801, **Joseph Kidd** is taxed on 300 acres. From 1802-1809, he is also taxed on a second tract of 324 acres that he has received from his father John Kidd. In 1810, he no longer is taxed on the 300-acre parcel, and evidently sold it (see the 1813 entry, below).

¹⁶² *Buckingham County Virginia Natives Who Died Elsewhere 1853-1896*, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1994, p 64

¹⁶³ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al v.* Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al.* 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

He is taxed on the 324 acre tract that he got from his father through 1812, and in 1812 this 324 acres is listed only in Joseph's name.

Joseph Kidd drops from the Buckingham LTLs in 1813.

Year	Acres	Notations on Land Tax Lists
1794	300	
1795	30	[apparent clerk's error—should be 300]
1796-1801	300	
1802-1809	300 324	Joseph Kidd "ditto" from John Kidd for 324 acres
1810-1812	324	Joseph no longer has his 300-acre parcel; John Kidd's land now listed under Joseph Kidd
1813		No Joseph nor John listed as of 1813

1808 – 14 Sept 1808, a case titled James Rea S.P. v. **Jos. Kidd**, was recorded in the Executions Book, District Court Records, Prince Edward County. [Note: It is not known if this is the same Joseph Kidd.]¹⁶⁴

1809 – On 20 June 1809, **Joseph Kidd** entered into a marriage bond for his marriage to Sally Pennington in Brunswick County, Virginia.¹⁶⁵
This is the year Joseph first appears on the Brunswick County PPTLs.

1810/1813 – Buckingham County LTLs record an implied deed from **Joseph Kidd** for 300 acres on Slate River sold to William Goff [also written as Goss or Gough].¹⁶⁶ This transaction likely occurred by 1810, since Joseph Kidd ceased to be taxed on his 300 acre tract in 1810 [see above]. The 1813 Buckingham County LTLs list William Goff taxed on two new parcels of land, each containing 300 acres. One parcel was "**Bo^t of Kidd**" (given name not listed), and was valued at 2/4; the other was "**Bo^t of Jos. Kidd**" and valued at 4/10. Both parcels were located "on Slate River, 4 miles E of the Courthouse."¹⁶⁷

1869 – On 18 Dec 1869, **Joseph Kidd** died in Brunswick County. His death record names his birthplace as Buckingham County and names his father as John Kidd and his wife as Sarah Kidd. He died at the age of 102 years, according to this record. The informant was his son J.W. Kidd^{168, 169}

¹⁶⁴ *Virginia's District Courts, 1789-1809: Records of the Prince Edward District: Buckingham, Charlotte, Cumberland, Halifax, and Prince Edward Counties*, abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren and Eva B. Weeks, Heritage Papers, Danielsville GA, 1991, p. 217

¹⁶⁵ Brunswick County, Virginia Register of Marriages, 1750-1850, page 49, retrieved from FHL #30659 (item 1), image 106, via familysearch.org (unrestricted access). This marriage register was compiled in 1926 by Augusta Fothergill in the County Clerk's office, by copying information from the original marriage bonds; the records are arranged in alphabetical order by the groom's last name. The original marriage bonds may contain more information; to my knowledge they have not been microfilmed.

¹⁶⁶ *Buckingham County Virginia Land Tax Summaries and Implied Deeds, Vol 1: 1782-1814*, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1993, pp 177-9

¹⁶⁷ The 1813 LTL shows the notation about where Goff obtained the land, but had no notation about the location of either parcel. The 1814 LTL lists these parcels as adjacent to William Goss's residence and list their distance from the courthouse. See the images in the Source Documents folder for Buckingham County on Dropbox.

¹⁶⁸ *Virginia Deaths & Burials, 1853-1917* at Ancestry.com.

¹⁶⁹ *Buckingham County, Virginia natives who died elsewhere, 1853-1896*, by Roger G. Ward, Athens, GA, Iberian Publishing Co., 1994, p. 64.

Joseph Kidd lived most of his adult life in Brunswick County. See our Brunswick County compilation for more details.

JOSEPH KIDD, son of Absalom Kidd and Lettice Owen

Joseph6 (Absalom5, John4, James3, William2, Thomas1) Kidd

Born about 1799/1800, likely in Buckingham County

Married twice: name of first wife not known, married 2nd Elizabeth Rhodes/Roads in 1839 in Highland County, OH

Died after 1880, presumably in Illinois or Ohio

1820 – **Joseph Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County census, in New Canton, as a single white male aged 26-44, engaged in agriculture; no others are listed in his household, and he has no slaves. He is listed next to the Letty Kidd household, who was his mother.¹⁷⁰

Line 14: **Joseph Kidd** HH: 1M 26-44. Number of persons engaged in agriculture: 1 No slaves.

Line 13: Letty Kidd HH: 4 WF under 10, 1 WF 16-25, 1 WF 26-44, 1 WF 45 and over. Number of persons engaged in agriculture: 1. No slaves.

1820, 1825-1827 – **Joseph Kidd** appears on the PPTLs in these three years with one white tithe 21+. In 1827, he has one slave tithe 16+.

1823 – On a Buckingham County list of insolvent militia fines of the 24th regiment returned by John Bondurant, Deputy for Zadock Lackland, Sheriff: Robert Kidd, 2.50, Shadrack Kidd, 9.00, and **Joseph Kidd**, 9.00.¹⁷¹

By 1830, **Joseph Kidd** evidently has migrated to Highland County, Ohio:

1830 – On the 1830 federal census in Liberty township, Highland County, OH, page 14, line 6: **Joseph Kidd**: 1M 20-29; 1F 10-14, 3 15-19, 1 20-29 & 1 30-39.

1839 – On 5 August 1839, **Joseph Kidd** and Elizabeth Roads/Rhodes were married in Highland County, OH.¹⁷² [Note: this evidently was a second marriage for Joseph, given the ages of his older daughters on the 1850 census, below.]

1840 – On the federal census in Belfast township, Highland County, OH, **Joseph Kidd**: 1M <5 & 1 30-39; 1F <5, 2 5-9 & 1 20-29. One in agriculture.

1850 – On the federal census in Marshall twp., Highland County, OH, page 329B, HH 11/11:

Joseph Kidd 49MW Farmer \$800 real estate VA

Elizabeth “ 30FW OH

Margaret L. “ 17FW OH

Elvira J. “ 14FW OH

Nancy A. “ 12FW OH

Jacob A. “ 9MW OH

Joseph J. “ 7MW OH

John W. “ 5MW OH

¹⁷⁰ Accessed on Ancestry.com: 1820 U S Census New Canton, Buckingham, Virginia; Page: 151; NARA Roll: M33_132; Image: 128.

¹⁷¹ “Buckingham County, VA Miscellaneous Records 1805-1873,” held by Henry E. Huntington Library, San Marino CA, microfilmed by LDS, reviewed by SKK 10.2012, Family History Library, Salt Lake City.

¹⁷² Ohio, U.S., County Marriage Records, 1774-1993, on Ancestry.com, citing FHL #570614.

James H. “ 3MW OH
Newton H. “ 11/12 OH

1860 – On the federal census in Paint twp., Highland County, OH, Rainsborough P.O., page 30, HH 227/226:

Joseph Kidd 59MW farm laborer VA
Elizabeth “ 40FW OH
Jacob “ 20MW farm laborer OH
Joseph “ 18MW farm laborer OH
John “ 17MW farm laborer OH
James “ 15MW OH
Newton “ 10MW OH
Cyrus “ 8MW OH
Josiah “ 5MW OH
Stephen “ 4MW OH
George “ 3MW OH
Carey “ ½ MW OH

1870 – On the federal census in Benton twp., Pike County, OH, Waverly P.O., page 20B, HH 150/149:

Kidd, Joseph T. 70MW farm laborer \$0/\$140 OH [in error: he was born in VA]
“ , Elizabeth 57FW keeping house OH
“ , Jacob 30MW farm laborer OH
“ , Elvira 34FW helping at home OH
“ , Nicholas 16MW farm laborer OH
“ , Stephen 14MW farm laborer OH
“ , George 12MW farm laborer OH
“ , Cary 10MW farm laborer OH
“ , Minnie 10FW helping at home OH

Abt 1877 – A Joseph Kidd wrote a letter to "the convention to be held in Richmond, Virginia the 12th of this month of the Jennings family to set forth claims to an estate formerly belonging to one William Jennings of England. My grandfather John Jennings he had two sons, one named Thomas the other Robert. My grandfather John Jennings married Rosamond Hall, both of England. My mother was one of the Heirs, her name was Lettice. She married Absalom Kidd. My name is **Joseph Kidd**. I am 76 years old." ¹⁷³

In reality, the estate had been settled since 1821, but unscrupulous agents and lawyers duped Jennings families in America and other countries into paying them to pursue claims. The scam prompted a convention and the creation of a genealogy committee to identify “legitimate heirs” of the estate, and employ numerous lawyers to represent these “heirs”.¹⁷⁴

¹⁷³ A scanned image of this transcription was published in the Kidd Konnections newsletter, and that image is available in the Buckingham County. folder on Dropbox. Unfortunately, it doesn't show where he was living when he wrote the letter [presumably he was in Ohio] or reveal the date it was written.

¹⁷⁴ This William Jennings died in 1798 intestate, and without heirs, but with a huge fortune, such that it was reported widely in England and the U.S., prompting a rush of people trying to claim a share of his estate. One representative article on this estate appeared in the Alexandria, Virginia Gazette on Monday, January 31, 1876, on the front page (see America's Genealogy Bank, and search on William Jennings + estate). Another article appeared in the *Daily Register* of Rockford, IL on Monday, August 26, 1878, which includes the following priceless lines: "...Precisely how many lawyers have made a living by encouraging folks in the belief that

1880 – On the federal census in Cheney's Grove twp., McLean County, IL, ED 185, sheet 17B, HH 12/13:

Kidd, Joseph 79WM farmer VA VA VA
“ , Elizabeth 53FW keeps house OH VA VA
“ , Jacob 39WM no occupation listed OH VA OH
“ , Jos. Tho. 37WM farmer OH VA OH
“ , Stephen 24WM no occ. Listed OH VA OH
“ , George 23WM OH VA OH
“ , Cary 20WM OH VA OH

JUDITH KIDD QUARLES, daughter of James Kidd of Slate River, Buckingham County
Married James Quarles

1803 – **Judith Quarles, wife of James Quarles**, was named as a sibling of Moses Kidd in the Chancery suit over Moses Kidd's estate in *Kidd v Kidd*.¹⁷⁵
See [Appendix Three](#) for more information.

LETTICE/LETTY (OWEN(s)) KIDD, the widow of Absalom Kidd
Married Absalom Kidd in 1786
Said to have moved to Highland County, OH before 1830

1786 – On 29 December 1786, the marriage of Absalom Kidd to **Lettice Owen(s)**, by Baptist minister Rev. Rene Chastain, Jr., is recorded in Chastain's personal papers.¹⁷⁶ The marriage bond, found in surviving Buckingham County marriage bonds at the Library of Virginia, lists the bondsman as **Jesse Kidd**, witness John Nicholas, J.P.¹⁷⁷

1820 – **Letty Kidd [widow of Absalom Kidd]** appears on the 1820 Buckingham County census in New Canton.

Letty Kidd HH: 4 WF under 10, 1 WF 16-25, 1 WF 26-44, 1 WF 45 and over. Number of persons engaged in agriculture: 1. No slaves.

Following Letty's HH entry is Joseph Kidd, who may be her son Joseph:
line 14: Joseph Kidd – 1M 26-44. Number of persons engaged in agriculture: 1. No slaves.

Note: According to family tradition, Letty Kidd is said to have moved to Highland County, Ohio, with some of her children after her husband Absalom's death. [See records for Joseph Kidd, above.]

LEWIS KIDD(s)

the estate of from eighty to four hundred million dollars is awaiting claimants, there is no method of discovering, nor is it very clear when and by whom the story was originally set afloat." See

<https://freepages.rootsweb.com/~tmark/genealogy/JenningsFraud.html>
<http://www.moonzstuff.com/jennings/poldenarticle.pdf>

¹⁷⁵ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

¹⁷⁶ "Diary of Rev. Rene Chastain Jr.," *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, pp 46,66

¹⁷⁷ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore, MD, 1994, p 47

There were two Lewis Kidds in Buckingham County in this era:

1. Lewis Kidd the elder, overseer to John Cobb of Tillotson Parish, likely born no later than 1735 and died after 1791 in Buckingham County
2. Lewis Kidd, the son of William Kidd Sr., born by 1771, likely in Buckingham County

LEWIS KIDD (the elder), parents not known

Likely born no later than 1735

Married Obedience [maiden name possibly Kidd, not proven] no later than 1758

Records found for this man found in Goochland, Albemarle, Fluvanna, and Buckingham Counties. The last known record is 1791 in Buckingham County.

1758 or earlier – Lewis Kidd married Obedience [possibly Kidd] (year based on the birth of their daughter Nansie, and could have been earlier if they had older children not listed in Rev. William Douglas's list of St. James Northam Parish baptisms).

1759 – On 10 Aug 1759, Nansie, daughter of Lewis and Obedience Kid [published book says Kids], was born. She was baptized 30 Sept 1759 by Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County.¹⁷⁸

1767 – On 25 Sept 1767, Patsie, daughter of Lewis Kid and Obedience Kid, was born. She was baptized 16 Oct 1768 [1767?] by Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish, Goochland Parish.

Note: Douglas's baptismal register gives women's maiden names, and Obedience is listed as Kid, either indicating she was a Kidd by birth or perhaps her maiden name was not known to Rev. Douglas.

1774 – In a deed dated 19 April 1774, Lewis Kidd and Moses Kidd are named among the debtors who owed money to John Lyle of Albemarle County.¹⁷⁹

Lewis Kidd, overseer, is listed as one of 8 tithables of John Cobb in Buckingham County in 1774. A John Cobb of Tillotson Parish, with a second taxable named Waddy Vines, appears on the 1773 list, but Lewis Kidd is not listed in 1773.^{180, 181}

Before 1777 – Aron [Aaron] Kidd, Benjamin Kidd, John Kidd, Lewis Kidd, Moses Kidd and Saml Kidd were among the signers of a petition to the Virginia General Assembly for the separation of Fluvanna County from Albemarle County. Lewis Kidd and Moses Kidd appear next to each other on the list of petitioners; on the same page, but listed separately from each other, are Benjamin Kidd, Saml Kidd, John Kidd, and Aron [Aaron] Kidd. The petition language identifies the petitioners as resident in the southern part of Albemarle

¹⁷⁸ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 56 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

¹⁷⁹ Albemarle County DB 6, p. 367-370.

¹⁸⁰ *Virginia Tithables from Burned Record Counties*, by Robert F. and Isabel B. Woodson, published privately, Richmond VA, 1970, p 25

¹⁸¹ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 12

County, 20 to 35 miles from the courthouse, with poor mountainous roads, and two rivers and many rapid creeks to cross along the way.¹⁸²

1777 – Fluvanna County was created on 5 May 1777 from Albemarle County.

Fluvanna County August 1777 Court. The several Surveyors of the Roads in this County are continued as appointed by Albemarle Court:

Ordered that the hands of Allen Cocke where Richard Bennett is overseer, hands of Robert Payne, Julius Saunders Jr., Julius Saunders Sr., **Lewis Kidd**, Jno. Kidd, Moses Kid, James Webb, Edward Rice, David Wade, hands of Jno. Harris, hands of Walter King where Jno. Key is overseer, work on the road whereof Jno. Key is Surveyor until the next court.¹⁸³

1779 – Fluvanna Court, 2 Sept. 1779. Ordered that the hands belonging to Austin Sea[y], Stephen Clements, Benj. Lea, Robert B. Paine, **Lewis Kidd**, Moses Kidd, John Kidd, Allen Cock (on the W. River), John Harris, Richd. Chandler, Julius Sanders Senr., Julius Sanders Junr., John Rice, William Rice, Sa__ville [Sacheville] King, John (Rice/Nice?), Thomas Down, Thos. Linthecum, & Thos. Appleberry work on the road whereof John Sea (Seay/Lea?) is appointed Surveyor.¹⁸⁴

1780 – A Fluvanna County marriage bond for Edward Kersey and Nancy Kidd was issued 22 November 1780. The bondsman was **Lewis Kidd**.¹⁸⁵ This Nancy Kidd may be Lewis and Obedience’s daughter Nancie, baptized in 1759 by Rev. William Douglas of St. James Northam Parish.

1781 – In a deed dated 25 April 1781, Richard Napier and Leonard Thompson, churchwardens for the Parish of Fluvanna in Fluvanna County, bind Lizza Gallding as an apprentice to learn the "art and mystery of a spinster," to **Lewis Kidd** of Fluvanna County.¹⁸⁶ Note: This term, as used in colonial Virginia, refers to learning the profession to spin and weave cloth.

1782 – **Lewis Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County LTLs in 1782, taxed on 100 acres. No list exists for 1783-1786. He does not appear on the LTLs in 1787 or later.

1782-1791 – In 1782, the first year for which these lists exist, **Lewis Kidd** appears as a household head and taxpayer on the Buckingham County PPTLs. He then appears annually (except for 1783 and 1785) through 1791, as depicted in the Table below:

Year	Taxpayer	White Tithes	Slaves	Horses	Image #	Comments
1782	Lewis	1	0	1	11	FHL #30687
1783	not listed				42	
1784	Lewis	1	0	1	72	
1785	not listed				89	
1786	Lewis	1	0	1	107	

¹⁸² Fluvanna County Historical Society Bulletin 1:6 (reviewed by RK at Jones Memorial Library, April 2013).

¹⁸³ FHL #31476, Item 1, Fluvanna County OB, August 1777 – May 1779, p. 2.

¹⁸⁴ FHL #31476, Item 2, Fluvanna County OB, June 1779- August 1782, p. 7.

¹⁸⁵ *Supplement to Marriages, 1778-1801, Fluvanna County, VA*. This comes from Fluvanna County Marriage Bonds prior to 1801, FHL #850090, item 2, image 67, available online at Familysearch.org.

¹⁸⁶ “A Guide to the Winn Family Papers, 1781-1894,” Archival and Manuscript Collections, The Library of Virginia, abstracted by SKK.

1787	Lewis	1	0	1	123	
1788	Lewis	1	0	1	141	
1789	Lewis	1	0	1	159	
1790	Lewis	1	0	1	185	
1791	Lewis	1	0	1	196	

In 1792, Lewis Kidd drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs, and does not reappear.

1791 – On 6 Jun 1791, a Virginia land patent was granted to David Ross, assignee of **Lewis Kidd**, assignee of John Cobbs, for 15 shillings sterling, 131.5 acres on the branches of Brook Creek in Fluvanna County, by survey dated 2 Apr 1782. The metes and bounds are given as Appleberry’s line, Ross’s line, Wills’s line, and Payn’s [Payne’s] line.¹⁸⁷

[Note: Appleberry and Wills were names of neighbors of Aaron Kidd and John Kidd in Albemarle County in what became Fluvanna County. David Ross was a large landowner in Fluvanna and Buckingham Cos. John Cobb(s) employed Lewis Kidd as a Buckingham County overseer in 1774. No date is given for when John Cobb(s) assigned this patent to Lewis Kidd, nor when Lewis Kidd assigned this patent to David Ross.]

1795 – Obedience Kidd witnessed the will of John Norman Kidd [son of John Kidd and Ruth Parish] in Amherst County in 1795. Women did not typically witness wills in this time period, so she may have been a relative of this Kidd family and also widowed at the time. Given her unusual name, she is likely the same person as **Lewis Kidd’s** wife Obedience.

LEWIS KIDD, the son of William Kidd, Sr.

born by 1771, likely in Buckingham County

Married Sarah [maiden name not known]

Believed to be the Lewis Kidd who migrated to east Tennessee ca 1803

Died before 1850 in Blount County, TN

1792-1807 – The Buckingham County PPTLs for 1792, 1793, and 1794 record the notation “**LK**” or “**L Kidd**” in the household of William Kidd Senr. This presumably stands for Lewis Kidd; there are no other Kidds in this area whose first names start with “L”. This LK/L Kidd would have been born by 1771 to be listed on the 1792 PPTL as a male of taxable age.

Year	Taxpayer	White Tithes	Slaves	Horses	Image #	Comments
1792	William Kidd Senr has “LK” in HH	2	0	1	11	FHL #30687
1793	William Kidd has L Kidd in HH	2			42	
1794	William Kidd has “LK” in HH	2	0	1	72	

¹⁸⁷ David Ross, grantee, 6 Jun 1791, Fluvanna County, VA, Virginia Land Office Grants No. 23, 1790-1791, p. 612 (Reel 89). Image may be viewed online at Library of Virginia Land Office Grants website: See Ross, David, Virginia Land Office Register, Library of Virginia Archives. *Land Grant 6 June 1791*.

1795-1798	Lewis	1	0	1	89	
1799	John Couch Jr. has L Kidd in HH	1	0	1	107	
1800	Lewis	1	0	1	123	
1801	Not listed					
1802	Lewis	1	0	1	159	
1803-1806	Not listed	[has moved to TN]				
1807	A Lewis Kidd	listed in Dist 2				

1795-1798 – **Lewis Kidd’s** oldest known child, Randolph (Randall) Kidd, was born in October 1796¹⁸⁸, suggesting a marriage for Lewis Kidd and wife Sarah (maiden name not known) ca 1795. “LK” is listed as a taxable male in his father’s household in 1794. Lewis Kidd is listed in his own household from 1795 to 1798. In 1799, he is in the household of John Couch, Jr., likely working for Couch in some capacity.

1800 – **Lewis Kidd** appears on a list of Buckingham County militia dated 11 Mar 1800, along with Absalom, Archer, Sherwood, William, and Edmund Kidd.¹⁸⁹ Sent from the Buckingham Court, the document was addressed to The Honorable James Madison, Richmond. The one-page document contains recommendations for the Buckingham County militia officers and a list of militia members.

1800-1802 – **Lewis Kidd** is listed in 1800 and 1802 in in his own household. He does not appear from 1803 to 1806.

Note: The three oldest sons of **Lewis and Sarah Kidd**—Randolph/Randall (b 1796), Robert (b ca 1798/1800), and Edmund (b ca 1799/1801)—each are listed as Virginia-born on the 1850 Blount County, TN census. Son William (b 1804/1805) is listed as Tennessee-born on the 1850 census. This suggests that Lewis Kidd left for Tennessee with his young family before 1804, which is consistent with his disappearance from the Buckingham County tax list starting in 1803.

1807 – A **Lewis Kidd** again appears in 1807, in a separate district from the other Kidds. It is likely that this is a different Lewis Kidd since he is not in the same district as the other Kidds.

There was no tax statewide in 1808, and no Lewis Kidd reappears on the Buckingham County PPITLs after 1807.

1818/1819 – **Lewis Kidd** is listed among Buckingham County tithes of insolvents [not paid], with the notation “Lewis Kidd, Hudson, 1.84.” No more information provided.¹⁹⁰ Appearance on a list of insolvent tithes may indicate the individual has moved away from the area, or is deceased or indigent.

¹⁸⁸ His dates of birth and death are given on his tombstone. FindaGrave memorial 25128078.

¹⁸⁹ Governor’s Office Militia Commission Papers, 1800, Buckingham County, Virginia: "Buckingham, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QHV-V3DW-H3HC?view=fullText> : Feb 19, 2025), image 29 of 29; . 008713716

¹⁹⁰ “Buckingham County, VA Miscellaneous Records 1805-1873,” held by Henry E. Huntington Library, San Marino CA, microfilmed by LDS, reviewed by SKK 10.2012, Family History Library, Salt Lake City.

Note: Based on our analysis of the Buckingham County PPTLs, we believe that John Kidd and Hezekiah Kidd, sons of Lewis's brother John Kidd of Buckingham and Amherst Counties, migrated to neighboring Knox County, TN after Lewis had migrated to Blount County, TN. For more information about these men, please see our Amherst County document.

LUKE B. KIDD, War of 1812 soldier in 1814-1815

1814-1815 – War of 1812: Private **Luke B. Kidd** served in Capt. John Gannaway's Infantry [attached to 8th V.M., Wall's] at Camp Carter near Richmond from 29 Aug 1814 to 27 Jan 1815 when he was promoted to Corporal and served until 24 Feb 1815. Luke was present on 29 Oct 1814, 6 Nov 1814, 28 Dec 1814 and 24 Feb 1815, 90 miles from home.¹⁹¹ [No Luke Kidd has been found in the Buckingham County PPTLs.]

MARGARET KIDD SOUTHERN, daughter of William Kidd and his wife Margaret (maiden name not known) of Middlesex County, VA

Baptized in 1702 in Middlesex County¹⁹²

Married John Southern in Middlesex County on 17 February 1720¹⁹³

**Migrated to central Virginia with her husband and six of her brothers in mid 1700s
Died date and place unknown**

1702 – **Margaret Kidd** was born in Middlesex County, VA, where her baptism was recorded in Christ Church Parish 12 May 1702. She is the first child of William and Margaret whose birth or baptism is recorded in Christ Church Parish.

John and Margaret Kidd Southern left Middlesex County sometime in the years following her parents' 1727 deaths, traveling in the same timeframe and direction as six of Margaret's brothers Robert, Aaron, John, James, Duel, and Moses. John Southern was the first associated with this Kidd family group to patent land in central Virginia, in Goochland County in the area that became Albemarle County, now part of present-day Buckingham County.

1743 – On 30 March 1743, **John Southern** received a land grant for a tract of land in Goochland County, lying on Bear Garden Creek (also known as Phelps Creek), a tributary of the Fluvanna River and containing 250 acres.¹⁹⁴

1746 – In a 12 Jan 1746 Goochland County, VA patent, **John Southern** and William Phelps are named as neighbors of Wentworth Webb, who patented 725 acres on the branches of Bear Garden Creek. [This patent may be a re-patent of Webb's two patents for 400 acres and 345 acres, filed 15 Mar 1741]. This land lies in present-day Buckingham County.

1749 – In an Albemarle County deed of gift dated 8 Aug 1749, William Webb conveyed 400 acres to his brother Abraham Webb. This land is noted as being part of 725 acres patented to

¹⁹¹ Luke B. Kidd CMSR War of 1812, card numbers 38765871, 6018, 6158, 6280, 6394, 6510, 6344, 6457, original at NAB, viewed 12/30.2009, William R. Kidd (WRK), WRK has copies on file.

¹⁹² Christ Church Parish Register, page 55.

¹⁹³ Ibid, page 163.

¹⁹⁴ Southern, John. *Land Grant 30 March 1743*. N.p., 1743. Print. Digital image in Goochland Deeds folder. See: https://lva.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01LVA_INST/altrmk/alma990008247170205756

Wentworth Webb, located on Glover’s Road and Bear Garden Creek, adjoining **John Southern**. [Note: Glover Road can be found on present-day maps in Buckingham County.]

1749 – In an Albemarle County deed dated 14 Nov 1749, William Webb of Albemarle County sold to **John Southern** of the same place, for £15, 325 acres on Bear Garden Creek adjoining the land of **Southern** and William Phelps, being part of a tract of land granted to Wentworth Webb deceased by patent dated 15 March 1737 and being residue of said patent, the other 400 acres being conveyed by William Webb to Abraham Webb. No witnesses. Recorded November 1749.¹⁹⁵

Note: These tracts were initially in Goochland County, created in 1727. When Albemarle County was formed from Goochland County in 1744, they became part of Albemarle. And after Buckingham County was formed out of Albemarle, they were in that county. The people and the land did not move; the county boundaries changed. Today, these tracts lie just south of New Canton and the James River in present-day Buckingham County.

Bear Garden Creek is also the area in which James Kidd, Margaret Kidd Southern’s brother, patented land in 1760. New Canton is near the home of many Buckingham County Kidds.

1755 – On 1 January 1755, **John Southern** of Albemarle County executed three deeds of gift to his three sons William, James, and Samuel Southern.¹⁹⁶ These three deeds were not admitted to record until August 1758 (see below).

In the first, **John Southern** of Albemarle County gave, bestowed and bequeathed to James Southern, “second son to the said John” of the same County, a parcel of land containing 300 acres, being a part of a tract of land that I bought of William Webb, containing 325 acres, where William Falwell formerly lived, with the House, Plantation, Orchard and all other appurtenances ... belonging to James Southern & his heirs and assigns...the other 25 acres to be laid off at the Lower end adjoining the land I now live on. In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal...

Signed, sealed and Delivered } (signed) **John Southern** {seal}
In the presence of }
(blank) }

In the second deed, **John Southern** of Albemarle County gave, bestowed and bequeathed to Samuel Southern, “third son to the said John Southern,” of the same county, a parcel of land containing 260 acres, lying in Albemarle County on both sides of Glover’s Road, joyning on the lines of Willm. Webb, Thos. Martin, and Willm. Woodson, with all the appurtenances to the same belonging unto the said Samuel Southern, his heirs and assigns forever. In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal...

Signed, sealed and Delivered } (signed) **John Southern** {seal}
In the presence of }
(blank) }

¹⁹⁵ *Deed and Will Abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia (1748-1752)*, compiled by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean VA, 1990, p. 51, citing Deeds and Wills Book 1, pp. 127-128.

This deed can be viewed and downloaded at familysearch.org, FHL #30224, images 99-100 (unrestricted access).

¹⁹⁶ Albemarle County Deed Book 2, pages 59-60, retrieved from FHL #30225, images 38-39 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

In the third deed, **John Southern** of Albemarle County gave, bestowed and bequeathed to William Southern of the same county, “Eldest son to the said John Southern,” 100 acres of land being part of the tract I now live on(,) adjoining 45 acres of land that he bought of John Fern [Fearn] where he now lives....the said 100 acres lying on the Broadside of the tract I now live on with a 24 x 16 foot Tobacco House with part of a Cornfield that is about the Tobacco House(,) or the whole field if the line takes it in when laid of(f) with all other appurtenances belonging to William Southern & his heirs and assigns... In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal...

Signed, sealed and Delivered } (signed) **John Southern** {seal}
In the presence of }
(blank) }

On 10 September 1755, **John Southern** recorded a land patent for a tract of land in Albemarle County containing 260 acres on both sides of Glovers Road, and adjoining Noel Burton, William Webb and others.¹⁹⁷

This appears to be the same parcel that John Southern deeded to his son Samuel in the above deed, despite that deed predating the recording of this patent.

1758 – On 10 August 1758, at a Court held for Albemarle County, **John Southern** appeared in Court and acknowledged these three deeds to be his own, and they were ordered to be Recorded.¹⁹⁸

We have found no subsequent records for Margaret or her husband John Southern in Virginia or elsewhere.

MARTHA (PATSY) KIDD SOUTHERN, daughter of James Kidd of Slate River, Buckingham County
Married Reuben Southern, likely son of John and Margaret Kidd Southern
Migrated to Stokes County, NC before 1828

Note: Reuben Southern is believed to be the son of John and Margaret Kidd Southern. This suggests that Martha/Patsy married her first cousin, not unusual for the time.

1773-1774 – **Reuben Southern** is the second white tithable in William Southern’s household (taxed on two white tithes) on the 1773 tithables list of William Cannon, and again on the 1774 tithables list of John Nicholas. In 1773, William Kidd was living four households from the Southernns, suggesting that they were close neighbors.¹⁹⁹ Other Southernns on the 1773-1774 tithables list are James (1773-1774), Joseph (1774), and Samuel (1773).²⁰⁰

Note: 1773-1774 comprise the only Colonial Tithables lists that survived for Buckingham County (excepting a small fragment of the 1764 tithables list, which includes only surnames starting with A-G).

¹⁹⁷ Virginia Land Office Patents No. 31, 1755-1756 (v. 1 & 2, pp. 1-751), p. 707 (VA Reel 29). Viewable online at the Library of Virginia website: Home > Land Records > Search VA Land Office Patents.

¹⁹⁸ Ibid.

¹⁹⁹ Buckingham County Tithables, 1773-1774, retrieved from FHL #30684, image 13, via familysearch.org.

²⁰⁰ Ibid, image 25.

The Buckingham County PPTLs begin in 1782. Neither William or **Reuben Southern** are found from 1782-1802 on these lists, but the following Southerners are named:

- Gibson Southern, 1783
- James Southern, 1782, 1787-88
- John Southern, 1787-88
- Joseph Southern, 1782
- Samuel/Saml Southern, 1782-1802 [in 1782, two Samuels are found]

Note: Because Reuben Southern does not appear on the Buckingham County PPTLs after 1774, he likely was not a resident of Buckingham County.

1803 – **Patsy Southern, wife of Reuben Southern**, was named as a sibling of Moses Kidd and plaintiff with his other siblings in the Chancery suit over Moses Kidd's estate in *Kidd v Kidd*.²⁰¹ [See [Appendix Three](#).]

1828 – This family migrated to Stokes County, NC by 1828, when **Reuben and Patsy Southern** sold land in Stokes County in 1828 to Peter Hairston.²⁰²

MARTHA KIDD, member of Buckingham Baptist Church in 1789

1789 – a **Martha Kidd** was excommunicated by the Buckingham Baptist Church in 1789.²⁰³

Note: This is probably a different Martha Kidd, since the above Martha/Patsy Kidd very likely was married to Reuben Southern by this time.

MARY KIDD WALKER, married in 1786 to John Walker

1788 – On 20 September 1786, the marriage of **Mary Kidd** to John Walker, by Baptist minister Rev. Rene Chastain, Jr., is recorded in Chastain's personal papers. The marriage bond, found in surviving Buckingham County marriage bonds at the Library of Virginia, lists the bondsman as Edward Herndon, witness John Nicholas, J.P.²⁰⁴

Note: the date of this marriage is listed as 28 January 1786 in another abstract of Buckingham County marriages.²⁰⁵ This second resource lists the witness as Edward Herndon.

MOSES KIDD, of Tillotson Parish, son of James Kidd of Slate River, Buckingham County

²⁰¹ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al v.* Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al.* 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

²⁰² Stokes County, NC Deed Book 9, p 257.

²⁰³ *Buckingham County, Virginia Church and Marriage Records 1764-1822*, by Mary Bondurant Warren, Athens, GA: Heritage Papers, 1993, p. 46, citing the Rene Chastain diary (pp. 43-66). Rev. Chastain (1741-1823) was the first pastor of Buckingham Baptist Church.

²⁰⁴ "Diary of Rev. Rene Chastain Jr.," *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, pp 47, 66

²⁰⁵ *Lost Marriages of Buckingham County, VA (Drawn from a newly discovered marriage register, 1854-1868 and from Federal manuscript, newspaper and printed sources*, by James Randolph Kidd, 1992, p. 92.

Moses⁴ (James³, William², Thomas¹) Kidd

Born by 1743, likely in Caroline County

Married Elizabeth Toney before 1781, childless with Elizabeth

According to contemporary witnesses, had at least eight children with Sally Falwell, a woman of color, who were named in testimony as Elisha, Mary, Elizabeth, Dinah, Judith, Sarah, Nancy, and John

Died on a Sunday night, 8 July 1798, at home in Buckingham County

Note: Much of what we know about the life of Moses Kidd comes from the Chancery suit *Kidd v Kidd*, filed in January 1803. After Moses Kidd's death in 1798, his siblings, represented by his brother John Kidd as lead plaintiff, brought a suit in Chancery court against his widow Elizabeth Kidd, contesting legal ownership of his property.²⁰⁶ In the suit titled *Kidd v Kidd (John Kidd et al v Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd et al)*, the plaintiffs contended that the 1781 will was not Moses' rightful will. Without a valid will, the plaintiffs knew that the property of the childless Moses Kidd would revert to his Kidd relatives, with only a dower portion for his widow Elizabeth. The record of this suit survives only because it was filed in Prince Edward District Court for final disposition and thus ended up filed with Prince Edward County Chancery suits. [See [Appendix Three](#).]

1764 – William Anderson, Benjamin Anderson, and **Moses Kidd** are listed with six tithables [themselves, along with slaves Winey, Cate, and Hannah] in the same household in a tax list fragment found in the Prince Edward County, VA records. The fragment, an alphabetical list of tithes for surnames A to G, is labeled “A List of All the Tithes, Lands and Wheel-Carriages in Buckingham County for the year *Anno Domini* 1764.” The totals for land and wheel-carriages for the Andersons and **Moses Kidd** are listed as zero.^{207, 208} To appear on this PPTL, Moses would have to have been 21 years old. Thus he was most likely born by 1743.

This is the earliest record found for any Kidd among the very few surviving Buckingham County records of the 18th century. Because it only covers surnames to G, the names of other Kidds who may have been recorded are missing.

1773, 1774 – **Moses Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County 1773 tithables list in the district of John Bernard. Also on this list in John Bernard's district are Benjamin, Samuel, James and William Kidd.^{209, 210} Moses again appears in 1774.

Bef 16 October 1776 – John Kidd and **Moses Kidd** were among the signers in Buckingham County of the Ten Thousand Names Petition, which was submitted to the newly formed Virginia General Assembly 16 October 1776. This remarkable document took its name from a

²⁰⁶ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al v.* Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al.* 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

²⁰⁷ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 3

²⁰⁸ *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, p 4

²⁰⁹ *Virginia Tithables from Burned Record Counties*, by Robert F. and Isabel B. Woodson, published privately, Richmond VA, 1970, p 65

²¹⁰ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 19

petition that was initiated by Baptist ministers (in the Buckingham area, local Baptist minister Rev. Rene Chastain) and eventually circulated throughout much of Virginia.

Groups of men signed the petitions in their local areas, and then the signature lists were literally cut and pasted together, which gave the petition its title of Ten Thousand Names. It was also known as the Dissenters' Petition. The signers were not all Baptist, nor necessarily passionate about religious freedom; some signed to protest taxation by the established Church of England. While the dates of the individual petitions are not known, the full petition was submitted in October 1776, with the signatures of "near 10,000 Freemen."²¹¹

A transcription of names on the petition was published over multiple issues of the Virginia Genealogical Society's *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, Volumes 35-38, available for online search at Ancestry.com. The name of **John Kidd** appears in Vol 37, no 2, p 154. The name of **Moses Kidd** appears in Vol 37, no 2, p 155. The names of **Aaron Kid, Benjamin Kidd, two John Kidds, Lewis Kidd, William Kidd, Norman Kidd [John Norman Kidd], and Moses Kidd**, noted as signatures likely collected in Fluvanna County, all are listed on the same page in Vol 36, no 1, p 38. The transcriptions of these lists were not alphabetized, so clues are found for the Kidds' friends and neighbors.

1777 – On 5 Dec 1777, **Moses Kidd** was among the residents living in Buckingham County on the Slate River near the Cumberland County line who petitioned to have the lower part of the county included in Cumberland County. (Note: no other Kidds signed this petition, but the names of neighbors such as Toney, Southern, Falwell, Anderson, and Scruggs do appear.)²¹²

1781 – By July 1781, **Moses Kidd** enlisted in the militia and later was at the siege of Yorktown in fall 1781, according to witness testimony in the Chancery suit *Kidd v Kidd*. This service is corroborated by a pay voucher for **Moses Kidd** for his service in the Virginia militia, certifying that Moses Kidd received the balance of his full pay of £41.18.2 on 27 November 1783.²¹³

On 17 Jul 1781, **Moses Kidd**, “of Tillotson Parish,” dictates his will [testimony in suit gives evidence that he could not read or write], naming wife Elizabeth as his sole heir, prior to his militia enlistment. Names slaves Nane, Daniel, Frank, and Tobe. A copy of this will is recorded in *Kidd v Kidd*.²¹⁴

The deposition of William Wilkinson given 3 Jul 1804 in *Kidd v Kidd* states that Moses had land at the time his will was written in 1781 that was “given him by his father” and that Moses later significantly increased his holdings by purchasing land. This is consistent with the Buckingham County LTLs (see below) when Moses is taxed on 200 acres from 1782 and

²¹¹ Source: <https://uncommonwealth.virginiamemory.com/blog/2022/09/21/that-the-oppressed-may-go-free-a-petition-to-the-virginia-general-assembly-for-religious-freedom/>

A PDF of the original document can be found at

https://rosetta.virginiamemory.com/delivery/DeliveryManagerServlet?dps_pid=IE3435021 .

²¹² “Legislative Petitions from Virginia Counties with Significant Record Losses, Part 1. Buckingham County,” contributed by Jean Pickett Hall, *Virginia Genealogical Society Quarterly*, May 1990, Vol 28, No 2, p 89

²¹³ Volume 175, page 55, “Records of Pay and Service of Officers and Men of VA and NY, 1781-1818, retrieved via Fold3: see <https://www.fold3.com/file/23294792> .

²¹⁴ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

1787-1789 [no list exists for 1783-1786], after which time his acreage nearly doubles, growing to 367 acres.

1782-1798 – **Moses Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs starting in 1782 and 1783, when he is listed in a separate district from the other Kidds, and remains on the list until his death in 1798. His slave tithes total between 3 to 7. In 1782, the tithable slaves of Moses Kidd are listed as Abraham, N—[Nancy], Daniel, Tob, and Frank.

In 1788, Jesse Kidd is listed in Moses's HH. In 1789, Henry Kidd appears in his HH, and in 1790, H Kid [for Henry] is listed. Their relationship to Moses is not known; they likely were younger relatives and worked on his land in some capacity.

In 1794, William Qualls [Quarles] is listed in Moses's HH, and in 1797-98, Robert Quarles appears in his HH. Two of Moses' sisters married into the Quarles family: Judith, who married James Quarles, and Susannah, who married [unknown] Quarles, so William and Robert Quarles likely also were family members working on his land.

1782, 1787-1798 – **Moses Kidd** appears on the LTLs with 200 acres through 1789. In 1790, the acreage changes to 367 acres, and in 1794, to 267 acres.

1785 – On 29 Oct 1785, **Moses Kidd**, James Kidd, Samuel Kidd, and William Kidd were among 500 residents of Buckingham County who signed a legislative petition to the Virginia House of Delegates, protesting a levy to pay ministers and arguing for the separation of church and state.²¹⁵

1791 – At the September 1791 term of the Prince Edward District Court, which included Buckingham County, the complaint of Henry Kidd, plaintiff, against **Moses Kidd**, **defendant**, both of Buckingham County, was heard and recorded. Henry Kidd stated that **Moses Kidd** owed him a debt of £87.19, by note signed by **Moses Kidd** 7 Feb 1791 in Buckingham County, payable to Henry Kidd upon request. Henry Kidd further stated that “the said Moses although often requested & hath not yet paid...& still doth refuse to...” and requested additional damages of £10.0.0. A conditional order was issued in September term 1791 and confirmed in October term 1791.²¹⁶

At the same September 1791 term, a similar complaint against Moses Kidd, defendant, for debt, was heard from William Kidd, plaintiff, both of Buckingham County.²¹⁷

Kidd vs. Kidd

William Kidd of Buckingham County complains of **Moses Kidd** of the same County, in custody, of a Plea of Debt, that he render to him £33.11.0 which he owes and unjustly retains : for this, to wit, that whereas the said Moses on the 11th day of January 1790 at the Parish of (blank) and County last mentioned ...acknowledged himself to (be) indebted to William in the just sum of £16.13.6, to be paid to the said William on demand, and for the

²¹⁵ *Protest against the bill obliging the inhabitants of the Commonwealth to pay the teachers of the Christian religion*, Library of Virginia, Legislative Petitions of Buckingham County, Reel 30, Box 314, folder 14, see also <http://files.usgwarchives.net/va/buckingham/misc/1785petn.txt> , Moses Kidd signature p 7

²¹⁶ Prince Edward County, Virginia District Court Order Book, 1792-1795, page 51, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33W-F> , image 464.

²¹⁷ Prince Edward County, Virginia District Court Order Book, 1792-1795, page 53, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33W-F> , image 465.

payment of which...he bound himself in the penal sum of £33.7. And the said William in fact says that did not pay any of the said £16.13.6 when demanded, or any part thereof, whereby an action accrued of the said William to have and recover of the said Moses the said sum of £33.7. Nevertheless the said Moses has refused to pay this debt or the damages due to William of £10.0.0, and therefore he sues, etc.

(signed) Thomas Molley (for the Deft.)

1791 September, Conditional Order

“ October, Conditional Order, Confirmed

1792 – At the April 1792 term of the Prince Edward District Court: Henry Kidd, Plaintiff. vs. **Moses Kidd, Defendant**} In Debt

The **Defendant [Moses Kidd]** being arrested again, solemnly called and not appearing, on the motion of the Plaintiff by his attorney, it is considered by the Court that the Plaintiff recover against the Defendant, and Peter Guarrant the Deputy Sheriff of Buckingham County for want of Bail £87.19 current money of Virginia, the debt in the declaration mentioned, together with his costs in this behalf extended. The said Defendant in Mercy pleads, etc...

But this Judgement is to be discharged by the payment of £43.19.6 with interest thereon at 5% per annum from 7 February 1791 till payment, and his costs.

The following exhibit was filed as evidence in the foregoing Cause on the trial thereof:

Know all men by these presents that I **Moses Kidd of Buckingham County** am held and firmly bound unto Henry Kidd of the County aforesaid in the just and full sum of £87.19, to which payment well and duly to be made, I bind myself, my heirs, Executors, etc....firmly by these presents sealed with my seal and dated 7 February 1791.

The condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bound Moses Kidd do well and truly pay or cause to be paid ...the just and full sum of £43.19.6 on demand, then this obligation to be void, or else to remain in full force. ²¹⁸

(signed) **Moses Kidd** {his seal}

Signed sealed & delivered}
in the presence of us }
Jas. Cooper
William Moss

1792 – At the same April 1792 Prince Edward District Court session:
William Kidd, Plaintiff. vs. **Moses Kidd** Defendant} In Debt

The **Defendant [Moses Kidd]** being arrested again, solemnly called and not appearing, on the motion of the Plaintiff by his attorney, it is considered by the Court that the Plaintiff recover against the Defendant, and Peter Guarrant the Deputy Sheriff of Buckingham County for want of Bail £33.7.0 current money of Virginia, the debt in the declaration mentioned, together with his costs in this behalf extended. The said Defendant in Mercy pleads, etc...

But this Judgement is to be discharged by the payment of £16.13.5 with interest thereon at

²¹⁸ Prince Edward County, Virginia District Court Order Book, 1792-1795, page 52, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33W-F>), image 465.

5% per annum from 11 January 1791 till payment, and his costs.

As evidence in this case, the original bond, signed in Buckingham County, was recorded; this bond was signed by **Moses Kidd**, and witnessed by Jas. Cooper and Henry Kidd. ²¹⁹

- 1794 – On 2 September 1794, the Prince Edward District Court found **Moses Kidd** in contempt of Court, and ordered him into custody of the Sheriff and that he be committed to Jail.²²⁰ He was ordered by the Court to be released later that same day.²²¹

In the same September term in which he was jailed and released, evidently Moses Kidd also served as a witness in two cases before the Prince Edward District Court:

Commonwealth v. John Fearn. **Moses Kidd** and Sarah Falwell both served as witnesses, each owed for 2 days and 40 miles.

Moss v. Peters & c. **Moses Kidd** served as witness, owed for 2 days and 40 miles, reimbursed 528 cents. Rate of reimbursement listed as 104 cents per day and 8 cents per mile.²²²

- 1798 – On a Sunday night, likely 8 Jul 1798, Moses Kidd died at his home in Buckingham County. On Monday, 9 Jul 1798, the will of **Moses Kidd** was presented for probate by John Toney, brother to Elizabeth, and William Wilkinson, executors. A copy of the will was recorded in *Kidd v Kidd*.²²³

On the same day, Sarah Falwell, represented by her attorney, filed a contest to the “said will” of Moses Kidd:

At a Court held for Buckingham County the 9th day of July 1798, the last will and testament of **Moses Kidd, deceased** was presented in Court by John Toney and William Wilkerson, the executors therein named, and Sarah Falwell by her attorney appeared in Court to contest the said will : whereupon the same was proved by the oaths of John Toney, William Wilkerson and Charles Toney, witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded ...from which decision of the Court Sarah Falwell prayed an appeal to the next District Court, to be held at Prince Edward Courthouse in September next which is allowed, she having given bond and security as required by law. Signed by Sarah Falwell [her mark] and David McCormack [his mark].²²⁴

²¹⁹ Prince Edward County, Virginia District Court Order Book, 1792-1795, page 54, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33W-F>, image 466.

²²⁰ District Court Order Book One, Prince Edward County, Virginia, 1789-1792, page 133, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33L-Z>, image 249.

²²¹ District Court Order Book One, Prince Edward County, Virginia, 1789-1792, page 135, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33L-Z>, image 250.

²²² *Virginia's District Courts, 1789-1809 : Records of the Prince Edward District : Buckingham, Charlotte, Cumberland, Halifax, and Prince Edward Counties*, abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren and Eva B. Weeks, Heritage Papers, Danielsville GA, 1991, pp 307 (citing p 46), 314 (citing p 54).

²²³ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

²²⁴ Prince Edward County, Virginia Court Order Book, 1792-1802, page 80, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4N-998G-K>, image 52.

Sarah Falwell's appeal was dismissed by the Court:

1799 – At a District Court held at Prince Edward Courthouse on 5 April 1799, the case of Sarah Falwell, Appellant vs. John Toney and William Wilkerson, executors etc. of **Moses Kidd, deceased**, Appellees} Upon an Appeal from a judgment of the Court in Buckingham County the 9th day of July 1798 ... The Court ruled that there was no error in the said Judgment, and that the Appellees recover their costs from the Appellants. ²²⁵

1799-1846 – In 1799, the **estate of Moses Kidd** is taxed for his land, which continues to 1820. From 1821 to 1833, the estate is taxed on 220 acres. In 1834, Shadrack and Robert Kidd convey 70 acres to FB [Francis] Dean, and so the acreage drops to 150 acres from 1834 to 1846, with the tax to be paid in 1835-1846 by the unnamed “legatees.”

Year	Acres	Notations on Buckingham County Land Tax Lists
1782	200	
1787-1789	200	
1790-1793	367	
1794-1798	267	(1794 – has herd of goats noted on tax list) [not clear why this is 267 acres, not 367 acres – clerk's error?]
1799-1801	267	Estate [not clear why this is 267 acres, not 367 acres – clerk's error?]
1802-1812	367	Estate
1813	367	estate near New Canton, residence of Ann Kidd
1814-1816	367	estate, William Toney, residence, Phelps Cr 25 mi E of CH
1817-1820	367	estate (Wm Toney not listed)
1821-1828	220	estate Phelps Cr 23 mi E of CH
1829	220	estate Glovers Rd 23 mi E of CH
1830-1831	220	estate Phelps Cr 23 mi E of CH
1832-1833	220	estate Glovers Rd 23 mi E of CH
1834	150	estate Glovers Rd 23 mi E of CH
		70 a conveyed by Shadrack & Robert Kidd to FB [Francis] Dean
1835-1846	150	estate Glovers Rd 23 mi E of CH, taxed to “legatees”
1847		Moses estate not listed [49 years after his death in 1798]

1799-1804 – The **Estate of Moses Kidd** is listed on the Buckingham County PPTLs. In 1800, the notation “Wm T” appears, and in 1802, the notation again is “WT.” This likely signifies William Toney, the brother of Moses's wife Elizabeth.

1803 – In January 1803, the siblings of **Moses Kidd**, represented by his brother John Kidd as lead plaintiff, brought a suit in Chancery court against his widow Elizabeth Kidd, contesting legal ownership of his property.²²⁶ In the suit titled *Kidd v Kidd (John Kidd et al v Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd et al)*, the plaintiffs contended that the 1781 will was not Moses' rightful

²²⁵ Prince Edward County, Virginia Court Order Book, 1792-1802, page 81, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4N-998G-K>, image 52).

²²⁶ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

will. Without a valid will, the plaintiffs knew that the property of the childless Moses Kidd would revert to his Kidd relatives, with only a dower portion for his widow Elizabeth.

Because the case was heard in the Superior Court of the District, which was located in Prince Edward County VA, before being settled in favor of the defendants the Toney, the papers detailing the suit have survived in the Prince Edward chancery files. Since Buckingham is a severely burned record county, this is a remarkable piece of fortune for researchers of the Buckingham County Kidds. It also gives us much of the information we have about the life of Moses Kidd and his siblings.

To further complicate matters, some of the numerous witnesses testified in the suit that Moses had written a second will leaving his estate to Sarah (Sally) Falwell, a woman of color with whom he reputedly had at least eight children (named in testimony as Elisha, Mary, Elizabeth, Dinah, Judith, Sarah, Nancy, and John).

Although the attorney for Sally Falwell had presented the will in her possession in July 1798, immediately following Moses' death, her case was dismissed by the court (this was, perhaps, inevitable, given that Sally, though likely free, was a woman of color with little legal standing in 18th century Virginia).

About Sally Falwell

Sally Falwell is an enigmatic but key figure in the Chancery suit *Kidd v Kidd*. Col. William Cannon, in a deposition taken 7 May 1804 at the house of Benjamin Pollard [a tavern keeper in New Canton, Buckingham County], says that Moses had the above-named children with Sally Falwell or Fawllwell, whom he “owned as his own.” At the time of Moses's death, however, Sally Falwell's attorney came to court to dispute his 17 Jul 1781 will presented for probate and to offer instead a will that Moses Kidd was said to have made, which left his estate to his children by Sally Falwell following the death of his wife Elizabeth. This will was dismissed as invalid by the court.

Is the testimony of Col. Cannon to be taken literally, that Moses did own Sally at some point? An enslaved woman would not have the financial means or legal standing to have an attorney represent her in court—and it would have been remarkable that a free woman of color would have been able to do so. That Elizabeth and the neighborhood were well aware of the existence of Sally and her children is borne out in numerous depositions in the Chancery suit. [Col. Cannon attributed Moses going “astray” to his being childless with Elizabeth.] James Cooper gave a deposition that in August 1788 Moses Kidd told him that Moses “did not mean the Kidds or Toney to possess his estate,” but that “the children of Sally Falwell should.” Cooper further testified that he wrote a will for Moses, presumably in 1788. David Falwell gave testimony that he “believed” Sarah Falwell to be his sister, possibly meaning that she and David shared the same father. Later testimony by Samuel Southern, clearly intended to cast doubt on the “character” of David Falwell and James Falwell [their relationship not known], said that they were “very poor men” and “of low standing in society” and “bad paymasters.”

1805 – The **Moses Kidd Estate** is no longer listed on the PPTLs. This is likely because Elizabeth Kidd, wife of Moses, had died by 11 Feb 1805 when her will was proven.

1808 – On 9 April 1808, the Prince Edward District Court recorded the suit of **John Kidd, William Kidd**, Benjamin Boatwright, son of James Boatwright and others, Plaintiffs v James Toney and John Toney, Executors of **Elizabeth Kidd, deceased**, and others, Defendants} Upon an issue directed by the Superior Court of Chancery at the Capital in the city of Richmond, came to be heard. On the motion of the plaintiffs by their attorneys, a Commission is awarded them to examine and take the deposition of Owen S. (or L.) Wood, *De bene esse*,²²⁷ and on the motion of the defendants, a Commission is awarded them to examine and take the deposition of John Toney Senr. *De bene esse*, they giving each other legal notice of the times and places of executing the same.²²⁸

In Prince Edward District Court, on 7 Sept 1808, the disposition of the Kidd v Kidd suit was recorded:

John Kidd, William Kidd, Benjamin Boatwright son of James Boatwright, and others,
Plaintiffs
James Toney and John Toney, Executors of **Elizabeth Kidd deceased**, and others,
Defendants

Upon an issue directed by the Superior Court of Chancery holden at the capital in the City of Richmond.

This day came the parties by their attorneys and came also a Jury to wit : William Adams, William Freeland Hudson Morris, James Gregory, Theodorick Harrison, John H Overstreet, Robert Smith, Thomas Morley, Thomas F Scott, Ebenezer McRobert, William Carter & James Murphey, who being elected tried and sworn **to determine whether the writing in the bill mentioned dated the 17th day of July 1781, purporting to be the last will and testament of Moses Kidd decd and as such admitted to record by the County Court of Buckingham, be the true last will and Testament of Moses Kidd**, before the Jury retired from the bar, the plaintiffs by their counsel moved the court to instruct the Jury that if they believed that **Moses Kidd** in the proceedings mentioned **was prevented from Cancelling the paper therein called his will, by fraud of the devised or executor in whose custody the paper was) , or if he was induced to think that he had no will by improper practice of the devised and Executor as aforesaid that the said paper is not the true last will of Moses Kidd**, but thereupon **the court refused to give the said instructions** & were of opinion that a devise legally executed & published is revocable but by the testators destroying, cancelling or obliterating the same or causing it to be done in his presence, or by a subsequent will, Codicil or declaration in writing, made with the solemnities & form prescribed by the act of Assembly there was no proof of circumstances raising an implied revocation nor any material variation in the parole evidence examined on the trial of pure & the depositions filed, signed & sealed, Paul Carrington Jun and **the Jury** having retired from the bar, after some time returned into court and upon their oath **do say that the writing in the described [?] order mentioned dated the 17th day of July 1781 purporting to be the last will and testament of Moses Kidd deceased is the true last**

²²⁷ "De bene esse" is a Latin legal term meaning "of well-being" or "well enough," often used to describe actions or proceedings that are taken provisionally or conditionally, meaning they are valid for the present but subject to future review or challenge.

²²⁸ District Court Order Book, 1805-1831, Prince Edward County, Virginia, pages 270-271, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4N-993M-H>, image 152.

will and Testament of the said Moses Kidd deceased which is ordered to be certified to the said superior Court of Chancery to be holden in the City of Richmond.²²⁹

1834 – In 1834, according to the Buckingham County LTLs, **Shadrack and Robert Kidd** sold 70 acres of the **Moses Kidd estate** to F.B. [Francis] Dean. It is not known how they took possession of this land, which had been awarded to the Toney family through the Chancery suit *Kidd v Kidd*.

MOSES KIDD, the son of William Kidd Sr. of Buckingham County²³⁰

Born by 1768

Married Cary Powers

Believed to be the same Moses Kidd who migrated to Chatham County, NC where he died by October 1843

1789-1791 – **Moses Kidd** is named as a tithable in the household of William Kidd Sr. on the Buckingham County PPTLs.

1792 – A tithable “**MK**” appears as a tithable in the household of John Kidd Jr. “**MK**” stands for Moses [there are no other Kidds in the area whose first names start with “**M**”]; in this year, he is living in the household of his brother John.

1793 – Moses Kidd appears on the PPTLs noted as “**Moses Kidd (son of Will^m)**” to distinguish his identity from that of the older and wealthier Moses Kidd in the county. He is taxed only for himself, with no horses or slaves. 1793 is the only year that he appears by name in his own household on the Buckingham County PPTLs. See line 5 in the image below:

Date	Persons names	Names of free white	Slave	Slaves about 12 years under 16	Horses
1793	Household with the tax	White	White	16	Horses
12	Head Samuel	M. H.	1		3
13	Head William		1		3
26	Head Moses	E. Lewis	2	3	3
	Head William	E. Lewis	2		3
	Moses Kidd (son of Willm)		1		
13	Head Robert	W. Wilson O. Long	3	12	9
29	Head John	M. H.	4	1	9
	Head Abraham		1		9
	Head James		1		1

FIGURE: 1793 Buckingham County, VA PPTL noting Moses Kidd (son of Will^m)

²²⁹ District Court Order Book, 1805-1831, Prince Edward County, Virginia, pages 345-346, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch:

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4N-993N-K>, image 189.

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4N-99ST-Y>, image 190.

²³⁰ This estimated date of birth is based upon the 1789 Buckingham PPTL, in which this Moses appears for the first time as a tithable, 21+ years of age.

Moses Kidd drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs after 1793. We believe this Moses Kidd migrated to Chatham County, NC, where he married Cary Powers in 1795/1796 and where he remained until his death in 1843 in present-day Moore County, NC.

Note: Several descendants of Moses Kidd of Chatham and Moore Cos NC are participants in the Kidd Y-DNA project and are close matches to other descendants of Thomas1 Kidd of Middlesex County, VA. These descendants also share a distinctive DNA marker with a proven descendant of Joseph Kidd of Buckingham and Brunswick Cos VA, who was the son of John Kidd Sr. of Buckingham County.

NANCY KIDD SMITH (see Anna Kidd Smith), the daughter of James Kidd of Slate River, Buckingham County

1790 – On 15 Dec 1790, the marriage of **Anna Kidd** to Platt Smith, by Baptist minister Rev. Rene Chastain, Jr., is recorded in Chastain's personal papers.²³¹ Apparently this marriage was performed in Buckingham County. This may be the Nancy Smith who was a plaintiff in *Kidd v Kidd*.

1803 – **Nancy Smith** was named as a sibling of Moses Kidd and plaintiff with his other siblings in the Chancery suit over Moses Kidd's estate in *Kidd v Kidd*.²³² No husband was named for Nancy Smith in the suit, so she may have been widowed at the time of the suit. See [Appendix Three](#) for more information.

NANCY KIDD MORRIS, the daughter of Henry Kidd

Born 25 Sept 1816 in Buckingham County

Married Achilles G. Morris about 1835,²³³ likely in Buckingham County

Died 19 April 1891 in Campbell County, VA

1815/1816 – **Nancy Kidd** was born 25 Sept 1816, according to the Henry D. Kidd family Bible. Her death certificate says she was born in 1815 in Buckingham County, to father Henry D. Kidd [her mother is not named and this is the only record that gives the elder Henry Kidd the middle initial of D.] She died on 19 Apr 1891, a widow aged 76 years, according to her son A.V. Morris, the informant for her death certificate.²³⁴

1840 – On the federal census in Southern District, Campbell County, VA, page 49:
Achilles Morris 1M <5 & 1 30-39; 1F <5 & 1 20-29. One male slave under ten years of age.

1850 – On the federal census in Campbell County, VA, page 163B, HH 531/531:
Achillus G. Morris 41MW Farmer \$1032 real estate VA

²³¹ "Diary of Rev. Rene Chastain Jr.," *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, p 48.

²³² Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al v.* Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al.* 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

²³³ The approximate year of their marriage is estimated from the date of birth of their oldest child, John H. Morris, born abt 1836, judging from his age on the federal censuses.

²³⁴ ²³⁴ *Buckingham County Virginia Natives Who Died Elsewhere 1853-1896*, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1994, p 64, gleaned from the Campbell County, VA Register of Deaths, 1853-1896, FHL #2056976.

Nancy B. Morris 33FW VA
John H. “ 13MW VA
Lucrecia D.A. “ 10FW VA
Samuel B. “ 6MW VA
William H. “ 3MW VA
James K. “ 1MW VA

1860 – On the federal census in Campbell County, VA, page 39, Castle Craig P.O., HH 272/293:

A. G. **Morris** 52MW Tanner \$3100 real estate/\$100 personal estate VA
Nancy B. “ 45FW VA
Wm. H. “ 13MW VA
Medora A “ 8FW VA
Lucy C. KIDD 16FW VA
Malissa Morris 2FW VA

1870 – On the federal census in Western Division of Campbell County, VA, Lynchburg, VA P.O., page 200, HH 1521/1618:

Morris, A.G. 61MW Farmer \$2000/\$8000 VA
“ , **Nancy B.** 53FW keeps house VA
“ , M. J. 16FW VA
“ , S. A. 12FW VA
“ , Amanda B. 7FW VA [this is a male, Amandus Vandorn Morris, her son]

1880 – On the federal census in Otter River District, Campbell County, VA, page 119A, HH 304/304:

Morris, Achillis 71WM Tanner TN VA VA
“ , **Nancy B.** wife 64FW keeps house VA VA VA
“ , Vandorn son laborer VA VA VA

1891 – **Nancy B. Morris** died in Campbell County VA on 19 Apr 1891, a widow aged 76 years. Her father’s name was given as Henry D. Kidd. The informant for this record was her son A. V. Morris.²³⁵

1935 – Nancy’s son, Amandus Vandorn Morris, died on 24 July 1935 in Lynchburg, VA. His death certificate names his parents as Achillas Morris, born in Campbell County, VA, and **Nancy Kidd**, born in Buckingham County.²³⁶

PATSY/MARTHA KIDD SOUTHERN (see Martha Kidd Southern)

PLEASANT KIDD, a Free Negro in Buckingham County in 1827

1827 – **Pleasant Kidd**, listed as “Free Negro,” appears on the Buckingham County PPTL for this year only, on a list of Free Negroes in District 2.

²³⁵ *Buckingham County Virginia Natives Who Died Elsewhere 1853-1896*, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1994, p 64, gleaned from the Campbell County, VA Register of Deaths, 1853-1896, FHL #2056976.

²³⁶ Virginia, U.S., Death Records, 1912-2014, on Ancestry.com. See:
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:8BQ5-3TZM>

1828 – A Cumberland County, VA marriage bond for **Pleasant Kidd** and Judy Ellison was issued 24 March 1828, Leonard Basher, surety. David Ellison swears that Judy Ellison is over 21 years.²³⁷

1830 – On the federal census in Cumberland County, VA, p. 197, line 15:
Pleasant Kidd 1 free white female 10-14; 1 free colored male under 10, one 10-23 and 1 24-35; 1 free colored female 10-23; and one male slave 55-99

1831-1832 – **Pleasant Kidd, FN** (Free Negro) is found these two years on the Cumberland County PPTLs, taxed only on one horse in both years. He drops from the PPTLs in 1833, and does not reappear through 1844, the last year of these records we’ve checked.

1832 – In Cumberland County Court, 24th October 1832, Pleasant Kidd and his family “appeared in court and were registered according to law” as free Negroes:²³⁸

Judy Kidd Black complexion 20 years of age and born free [b ca 1812]

Pleasant Kidd Yellow complexion 32 years of age born free [b ca 1800]

William Davis Kidd Yellow complexion 3 years of age born free [b ca 1829]

James Thomas Kidd Yellow complexion 2 years of age born free [b ca 1830]

Note: In this same register (p 311), a group of free negro Ellisons are registered: Chloe, Jane, Priscilla [no ages given for the women], and Jesse, age 35. They may be relatives of Judy Ellison.

ROBERT KIDD, son of William Kidd and his wife Ann of New Canton, Buckingham County
Robert⁵ (William⁴, James³, William², Thomas¹) Kidd
Born abt 1788,²³⁹ likely in Buckingham County
Found in multiple records with his brother Shadrack Kidd
Died after 1854

1810-1854 – **Robert Kidd** appears for the first time on the Buckingham County PPTLs in 1810. He subsequently appears annually on these tax lists through 1854, in the household of his mother Ann, in his own household, or listed with his brother Shadrack, (See Table below).

YEAR	NAME	W Tithes	B >16	B >12	Horses	Image #; COMMENTS
1810	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	FHL #30688, image 14
1811	no Robert or Ann					64
1812	Ann & son R.	1	1	0	1	82
1813	Ann & son [Robert]	1	1	0	2	116

²³⁷ *Marriage Records, 1749-1840, Cumberland County, Virginia*, compiled by Katherine B. Elliott, Southern Historical Press, Easley, SC, 1983, p. 78.

²³⁸ Cumberland County Order Book, 1829-1832, pp 456-7. This family is listed in the Order Book index under F for “Free negroes registered.”

²³⁹ Estimated from his first appearance on the Buckingham County PPTLs as a household head in 1810, at which time he would have been at least 21 years of age. This matches well with his age on the 1850 federal census, at which time he was 62 years of age.

The Kidds of Buckingham County, 1761-1863

1814	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	170
1815	Robt. Kidd	1	0	0	0	238
1816	Ann Kidd & sons [Robert and Shadrack]	2	1	0	2	FHL #29902, image 536
1817	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	FHL #30688, image 286
1818	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	304
1819	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	340
1820	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	1	382
1821	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	1	444
1822	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	1	464
1823	Robert Kidd	1	1	1	1	519
1824	Robert Kidd	1	1	0	1	551
1825	Robt. Kidd	1	1	0	0	584
1826	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	615
1827	Robert Kidd	1	1	0	1	FHL #29292, image 26
1828	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	56
1829	Robt. Kidd	2	0	0	1	89
1830	Robt. Kidd	1	0	0	0	124
1831	no Robert					168
1832	no Robert					203
1833	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	248
1834	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	275
1835	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	306
1836	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	336
1837	S. [Shadrack] & Robert Kidd	2	0	0	1	372
1838	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	418
1839	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	478
1840	Robert Kid	1	0	0	0	511
1841	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	542
1842	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	FHL #30690, image 29
1843	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	88
1844	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	145
1845	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	192
1846	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	1	244
1847	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	269
1848	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	324

1849	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	377
1850	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	431
1851	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	0	497
1852	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	1	573
1853	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	1	FHL #3691, image 35
1854	Robert Kidd	1	0	0	1	225
1855	drops from PPTLs					

1814-1847 – In 1814, the **Estate of William Kidd**, charged for 100 acres on Phelps Creek near New Canton, appears on the LTLs. This land apparently was in the possession of William and Ann’s sons **Shadrack and Robert Kidd**. Two parcels from the estate were sold by Sheriff’s sales in 1833 and 1834 (see below), which often indicates financial insolvency. The remaining parcel of the estate was sold in 1844 by the “legatees” [presumed to be Shadrack and Robert], and is no longer listed under the Estate of William Kidd after 1846.

1814 – Private **Robert Kidd** served in the War of 1812 in Capt. William Jones’ Infantry, detached from 24th and 102nd regiments, Buckingham and Powhatan Counties [attached to 4th V.M., McDowell, Koontz and Chilton] at Camp Slaughter Field from 26 Feb 1814 to 25 Mar 1814, present 25 Mar 1814.²⁴⁰ Robert continued his service in Capt. William Jones’ Infantry [attached to 5th V.M., Lt. Col. Edward Jones] at Norfolk from 26 Mar 1814 to 9 Jun 1814, present 9 Jun 1814, 200 miles from home with 10 days allowed for returning home.²⁴¹

1820 – On the federal census for Buckingham County, **Robert Kidd** is likely the second adult male in the Shadrack Kidd HH: 2 WM 26-44. Slaves: 3 M under 14, 3 F under 14, 2 F 14-25. Number of persons engaged in agriculture: 1.²⁴²

1823 – On a Buckingham County list of insolvent militia fines of the 24th regiment returned by John Bondurant, Deputy for Zadock Lackland, Sheriff: **Robert Kidd, 2.50**, Shadrack Kidd, 9.00, and Joseph Kidd, 9.00.²⁴³

1830 – On the federal census for Buckingham County, **Robert Kidd** again is likely one of the adult males in the Shadrack Kidd HH: 2 WM 30-39, 1 WM 40-49, 1 WF 10-14, and 1 WF 50-59.²⁴⁴

1834 – On 6 Nov 1834, at a Courts Martial conducted at the Spreading Oak [a field used for militia exercises] in Buckingham County, **Robert Kidd** appears on a list of delinquent soldiers from the Company of Capt. Elijah G. Hanes, First Battalion, 24th Regiment, Virginia militia.²⁴⁵

²⁴⁰ Robert Kidd CMSR War of 1812, card numbers 38666786, 6895, original at NAB, viewed 12/30/2009, WRK, copies on file.

²⁴¹ Robert Kidd CMSR War of 1812, card numbers 38699051, 9164, original at NAB, viewed 12/30/2009, WRK, copies on file.

²⁴² Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1820 U S Census New Canton, Buckingham, Virginia; Page: 125; NARA Roll: M33_132; Image: 102.

²⁴³ “Buckingham County, VA Miscellaneous Records 1805-1873,” held by Henry E. Huntington Library, San Marino CA, microfilmed by LDS, reviewed by SKK 10.2012, Family History Library, Salt Lake City.

²⁴⁴ 1830 US Census Buckingham County, Virginia; Page: 278; NARA Series: M19; Roll Number: 193; Family History Film: 0029672.

²⁴⁵ “Buckingham County Courts Martial,” by William Shepard, *The William and Mary College Historical Magazine*, Vol 12,

- 1834 – In 1834, according to the Buckingham County LTLs, **Shadrack and Robert Kidd** sold 70 acres of the Moses Kidd estate to F.B. [Francis] Dean. It is not known how they took possession of this land, which had been awarded to the Toney family through the 1803 lawsuit *Kidd v Kidd*.
- 1833-1834 – In 1833, through a Sheriff's sale, 50 acres of their father William Kidd's land was sold to Daniel [?] Gough. In 1834, again through a Sheriff's sale, 29 acres of this land was sold to Glover Gough. [Gough also appears as Goss/Goff.] Sheriff's sales often indicate financial insolvency, such as defaulting on a trust deed [mortgage or loan] or unpaid taxes.
- 1835-1847 – The estate's remaining 21 acres is taxed to the unnamed "legatees" [presumably Shadrack and Robert]; this land was sold to Robert N. Hocker in 1844.
- 1840 – On the federal census for Buckingham County, **Robert Kidd** again is likely the second adult male in the Shadrack Kidd HH: 2 white males, 1 40-49 and 1 50-59. One was employed in agriculture, one employed in manufacture and trade, and both were listed as white persons over 20 who cannot read and write.²⁴⁶
- 1850 – **Robert Kidd** appears alone on the 1850 federal census in Buckingham County in his own HH [HH 482], aged 62, occupation given as farmer, with no real estate value.²⁴⁷ The occupations of his neighbors are given as tradesmen, merchants, or professionals, suggesting he may be living in town [perhaps New Canton].
- 1854 – **Robert Kidd** appears for the final time on the Buckingham County PPTLs in 1854; he drops from these annual tax lists in 1855, and does not reappear. By then, he would be 66 and likely exempt from taxes.

We have no further record of him. He apparently did not have a wife or children.

ROBERT P. KIDD, in Buckingham County in 1828

- 1828 – On the Buckingham County PPTLs for the year 1828 only, a second **Robert Kidd** appears under the listing "Robert P." with two white tithes 21+.

No further records for him have been found, and we do not know his identity.

SAMUEL KIDD, parents unknown

Born no later than 1752

Not found on the Buckingham County land tax lists after 1812

Possible sons Moses and J—[full name not given]

- 1773, 1774 – **Samuel Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County tithables list in 1773 in John Bernard's district. Also on this list in John Bernard's district are Moses, Benjamin, James and William Kidd. Samuel Kidd appears again in 1774.^{248, 249}

No 3, July 1832, p 195, Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture.

²⁴⁶ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1840 Census Northern District, Buckingham County, Virginia; Roll: 550; Page: 358; Image: 731; Family History Library Film: 0029683.

²⁴⁷ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1850 Census, District 1, Buckingham County, Virginia; Roll M432_937, Page 382A, Image 421.

²⁴⁸ *Virginia Tithables from Burned Record Counties*, by Robert F. and Isabel B. Woodson, published privately, Richmond VA, 1970, p 65.

²⁴⁹ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally

1785 – On 29 Oct 1785, **Samuel Kidd**, James Kidd, Moses Kidd, and William Kidd were among 500 residents of Buckingham County who signed a legislative petition to the Virginia House of Delegates, protesting a levy to pay ministers and arguing for the separation of church and state.²⁵⁰

1797 – **Samuel Kidd** has an implied deed, selling 50 acres to John Webb, according to county tax lists.²⁵¹

1782, 1787-1812 – **Samuel Kidd** is taxed for 50 acres of land. He drops from the LTLs in 1813.

Year	Acres	Notations on Land Tax Lists
1782	50	
1787-1812	50	In 1794, taxed on a herd of goats
1813		Samuel no longer listed; see 1813, below

1782-1796 – **Samuel Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs:

In 1783, a second Samuel Kidd appears on the list, with one tithe.

In 1785, Samuel has two total tithes, but only one white tithe 21+.

In 1790-1794, Moses Kidd is a member of Samuel's HH; in 1794, a J Kidd also is listed.

These are presumed to be sons of Samuel Kidd.

TAXPAYER	Year	Others in HH	WT 21+	All Tithes	Horses/Cattle
Samuel	1782		1		1 H, 4 C
Samuel	1783		1		1 H, 1 C
Samuel [note: this is a 2 nd Samuel]	1783		1		
Samuel	1784		1		1 H
Samuel	1785		1	2 tithes	4 H
Samuel	1786		1		
Samuel	1787		1		2 H
Samuel	1788		1		1 H
Samuel	1789		1		1 H
Samuel	1790	Moses Kid	2		2 H
Samuel	1791	Moses Kidd	2		3 H
Sam'l	1792	MK [Moses]	2		3 H
Samuel	1793	Moses			
Samuel	1794	M & J [Moses], J=?	3		1 H
Samuel	1795		2		1 H
Sam'l	1796		3		1 H

published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 19.

²⁵⁰ *Protest against the bill obliging the inhabitants of the Commonwealth to pay the teachers of the Christian religion*, Library of Virginia, Legislative Petitions of Buckingham County, Reel 30, Box 314, folder 14, see also <http://files.usgarchives.net/va/buckingham/misc/1785petn.txt>, Samuel Kidd signature p 7.

²⁵¹ *Buckingham County Virginia Land Tax Summaries and Implied Deeds, Vol 1: 1782-1814*, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1993, pp 177-9.

Samuel Kidd drops from the PPTLs in 1797, perhaps because he was exempt from tax due to infirmity or age. His name remains on the LTLs through 1812, and he appears on the 1810 census.

1810 – **Samuel Kidd** appears on the 1810 Buckingham County census with the following HH: 3 WM under 10, 2 WM 10-15, 1 WM 16-25, 1 WM 45 and over, 4 WF 16-25, 1 WF 45 and up.²⁵²

1812-1813 – **Samuel Kidd** likely sold his 50 acre parcel of land, on which he was taxed from 1782-1812, to John Ayres, because the 1813 Buckingham LTL (the first to list both the location of taxed parcels of land, and also land alterations in the previous 12 months) shows John Ayres taxed of a new parcel of 50 acres "**Bo^t of Kidd**" (given name not listed), valued 6/8. While the record doesn't show Samuel's given name, he is the only Kidd whose land holdings decreased by 50 acres in 1812. The 1814 LTL lists the location of this land as "Slate River, 12 miles NE."²⁵³

Note: It is possible, but not proven, that some of this family migrated to Pittsylvania County, VA. A Samuel Kidd, a Moses Kidd, and other Kidds are found in Pittsylvania starting in the late 1700s to early 1800s. See our Pittsylvania County document for more information.

SAMUEL KIDD, in Buckingham County in 1783

1783 – a second **Samuel Kidd** appears on the PPTLs one year only, with one white tithe and no horses or cattle.

No further record for him has been found, and we do not know his identity.

SARAH KIDD BOATWRIGHT, daughter of James Kidd of Slate River, Buckingham County **Married James Boatwright** **Possibly deceased before 1803**

1803 – **Sarah Boatwright, wife of James Boatwright**, was named as a sibling of Moses Kidd and plaintiff with his other siblings in the Chancery suit over Moses Kidd's estate in *Kidd v Kidd*. Sarah and James's son Benjamin Boatwright was a named plaintiff in the suit, which may indicate his parents were deceased by the time of suit.

On 7 Jan 1803, John Williams, Moses Kidd's neighbor, gives a deposition in *Kidd v Kidd* that states Moses Kidd said to him that Moses wanted his estate "to go to the families of John Kidd and **James Boatright** [husband of Sarah Kidd, Moses's sister] who were nearer to him than any other."²⁵⁴ [See [Appendix Three](#).]

SHADRACK KIDD, son of William Kidd and his wife Ann of New Canton, Buckingham County, VA **Shadrack5 (William4, James3, William2, Thomas1) Kidd**

²⁵² Accessed on Ancestry.com: 1810 Buckingham County, Virginia; Roll: 66; Page: 810; Image: 0181426; Family History Library Film: 00806. Viewable on Ancestry.com, image 38 of 69 images.

²⁵³ FHL #0029902, reviewed by RK at the Bellevue, WA FHC, 29 August 2014. I didn't scan this image.

²⁵⁴ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al v.* Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al.* 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

Born by 1782²⁵⁵

Married Susan Stogel/Stodgell in 1830 in Fluvanna County

Died by August 1841, likely in Fluvanna County

No known children

1798 – **Shadrack Kidd** appears with his brother William Kidd on the 1798 Buckingham County PPTL in the household of William Kidd, their father.

1799 – **Shadrack Kidd** appears again in the household of his father William Kidd.

1800 – The Account Book of William Adams and his estate, 1799-1801, lists “Balances Due to Estate of William Adams,” ca 1800, including **Shadrick Kidd** for a balance of 19 shillings, listed among other Buckingham County individuals. The Account Book notes records from Buckingham, Cumberland, and Fluvanna over multiple court terms.²⁵⁶

1806-1844 – **Shadrack/Shadrick Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs as a household head for the first time in 1806. He’s not listed on the PPTLs in 1807, but is likely in his widowed mother’s HH, the sole white male in that household.

In 1810, **Shadrack Kidd** is listed on the next line after Anne Kidd. This is his mother Anne/Ann Kidd, now widowed.

See the Table below for all of Shadrack’s Buckingham County PPTL entries for this period.

YEAR	NAME	W Tithes	B >16	B >12	Horses	Image #; COMMENTS
1806	Shadrick	1	0	0	1	FHL # 30687, image 585
1807	no Shadrick					605
	Anne	1	2	2	3	605
1808	no taxes this yr					
1809	Anne	0	1	0	1	655
1809	Shadrack	1	0	0	1	655
1810	Anne	0	1	1	1	FHL #30688, image 14
	Shadrack	1	0	0	1	14
1811	no Shadrack or Anne					64
1812	no Shadrack					82
1813	Shadrick	1	0	0	1	116
1814	no Shadrack					170
1815	Shadrick	1	0	0	0	238
1816	Ann & sons	2	1	0	2	FHL #29902, image 536 ²⁵⁷

²⁵⁵ He first appears in his father William’s household head on the 1798 Buckingham County PPTL, at which time he had to be 16 years of age or older.

²⁵⁶ “Account Book of William Adams and His Estate, 1799-1801,” from “Records of Southern Ante-bellum Plantations from the Revolution through the Civil War, Series L, Selections from the Earl Gregg Swem Library, College of William and Mary [VA], Part 4, Austin-Twyman Papers, 1765-1865.” Family Search film 008955654, image 166.

²⁵⁷ The 1816 PPTLs for Buckingham County were microfilmed at the same time as the Buckingham Land Tax Lists, on the same microfilm reel (FHL #29902) rather than on the Buckingham County PPTLs reel (FHL #30688).

1817	no Shadrack					FHL # 30688, image 286
1818	Shadrick	1	0	0	0	304
1819	Shadrick	1	0	0	0	340
1820	Shadrick	1	2	0	0	382
1821	Shadrick	1	0	0	0	444
1822	Shadrick	1	0	0	0	464
1823	Shadrick	1	0	0	0	519
1824	Shadrick	1	0	0	0	551
1825	Shadrick	1	0	0	0	584
1826	Shadrick	1	1	0	1	615
1827	Shadrack	1	0	0	1	FHL #29292, image 26
1828	Shadrick	1	0	0	0	56
1829	Robert Kidd with 2 tithes [prob Shadrack]	2	0	0	0	89
1830	Shadrick	1	0	0	0	124
1831	Shadrick	1	0	0	0	168
1832	Shadrack	1	0	0	0	203
1833	Shadrack	1	0	0	0	248
1834	Shadrack	1	0	0	0	275
1835	Shadrack	1	0	0	0	306
1836	Shederick	1	0	0	0	336
1837	S. & Robert [Shadrack]	2	0	0	1	372
1838	Shedrick	1	0	0	0	418
1839	Shadrick	1	0	0	1	478
1840	Shadrack	1	0	0	0	511
1841	Shadrack	1	0	0	0	542
1842	Shadrack	1	0	0	0	FHL #30690, image 29
1843	Shadrack	1	0	0	0	88
1844	Shadrack	1	0	0	0	145
1845	no Shadrack					

Shadrack Kidd drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs after 1844.

1810 – **Shadrack Kidd** appears on the 1810 Buckingham County census, following Henry Kidd and Absolum Kidd.

Shadrack Kidd HH: 1 WM 16-25, 4 WF under 10, 2 WF 45 and over, 2 slaves²⁵⁸

From other records, including the Buckingham County PPTLs and LTLs, we can conclude that this is Shadrack, living with his widowed mother Ann, and probably other female relatives.

1814 – In 1814, the Buckingham County PPTLs list the “William Kidd estate” with two slave tithes 16+. These slaves were likely the two unnamed slaves in Shadrack’s 1810 household.

1814-1847 – In 1814, the **Estate of William Kidd**, charged for 100 acres on Phelps Creek near New Canton, appears on the LTLs. This land apparently was in the possession of William and Ann’s sons **Shadrack and Robert Kidd**. Two parcels from the estate were sold by Sheriff’s Sale in 1833 and 1834 (see below), which often indicates financial insolvency. The remaining parcel of the estate was sold in 1846 by the “legatees” [presumed to be Shadrack and Robert].

1814-1815 – **Shadrack Kidd** is listed as a soldier in the War of 1812, from Cumberland County’s 17th Regiment, 4th Brigade, 1st Division Militia serving in the defense of Richmond and Norfolk.²⁵⁹ Private Shadrack Kidd served in Capt. Joseph McLaurine’s Infantry [attached to 4th V.M.²⁶⁰ Huston and Wooding’s] from 4 Aug 1814 to 31 Jan 1815 at Norfolk, present 20 Aug 1814, 2 Nov 1814 and 31 Jan 1815, all at Norfolk. Pay includes 10 days to travel home, 200 miles to Buckingham. [His name was also spelled Shadrack and Shadrake.]²⁶¹

1820 – **Shadrack Kidd** appears on the 1820 Buckingham County census, with the following HH: 2 WM 26-44. Slaves: 3 M under 14, 3 F under 14, 2 F 14-25. Number of persons engaged in agriculture: 1.²⁶² His brother Robert Kidd is likely the second adult male in Shadrack’s HH.

1823 – On a Buckingham County list of insolvent militia fines of the 24th regiment returned by John Bondurant, Deputy for Zadock Lackland, Sheriff: Robert Kidd, 2.50, **Shadrack Kidd**, 9.00, and Joseph Kidd, 9.00.²⁶³

1830 – **Shadrack Kidd** appears on the 1830 Buckingham County census, with the following HH: 2 WM 30-39, 1 WM 40-49, 1 WF 10-14, and 1 WF 50-59.²⁶⁴ One of the adult males in his HH is likely Robert, his brother.

On 29 Dec 1830, a marriage bond was issued in Fluvanna County VA for **Shadrack Kidd** and Susan Stogel [Stodgell]. [Note: Since Shadrack appears on the Buckingham tax lists

²⁵⁸ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1810 census, Buckingham County, Virginia; Roll: 66; Page: 829; Image: 0181426; Family History Library Film: 00825.

²⁵⁹ Contributed by William R. Kidd, citing “A Guide to Virginia Militia Units in the War of 1812,” by Stuart Lee Butler, page 73, WRK has copies.

²⁶⁰ Contributed by William R. Kidd, citing the CMSR stating the following at the bottom of each page of the record: “This company was designated at various times as Capt. Joseph McLaurine’s, Capt. David Long’s and Capt. Henry Tabb’s Company.

²⁶¹ Contributed by William R. Kidd, citing Shadrack Kidd CMSR War of 1812, card numbers 38675815, 5910, 6009, 6132, 6278, 6443, original at NAB, viewed 12/30/2009, WRK has copies.

²⁶² Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1820 U S Census New Canton, Buckingham, Virginia; Page: 125; NARA Roll: M33_132; Image: 102.

²⁶³ “Buckingham County, VA Miscellaneous Records 1805-1873,” held by Henry E. Huntington Library, San Marino CA, microfilmed by LDS, reviewed by SKK 10.2012, Family History Library, Salt Lake City.

²⁶⁴ 1830 US Census Buckingham County, Virginia; Page: 278; NARA Series: M19; Roll Number: 193; Family History Film: 0029672.

starting in 1806, signifying he was 16+ by 1806, this marriage record 24 years later in a different county may be a second marriage for Shadrack. We have found no evidence of more than one Shadrack Kidd.]

1834 – In 1834, according to the Buckingham County LTLs, **Shadrack and Robert Kidd** sold 70 acres of the Moses Kidd estate to F.B. [Francis] Dean. It is not known how they took possession of this land, which had been awarded to the Toney family through the 1803 lawsuit *Kidd v Kidd*.

1833-1834 – In 1833, through a Sheriff's sale, 50 acres of their father William Kidd's estate tract was sold to Daniel [?] Gough. In 1834, again through a Sheriff's sale, 29 acres of this land was sold to Glover Gough. [Gough also appears as Goss/Goff.] Sheriff's sales often indicate financial insolvency, such as defaulting on a trust deed [mortgage or loan] or unpaid taxes.

1835-1847 – The estate's remaining 21 acres is taxed to the unnamed "legatees"; this land was sold to Robert N. Hocker in 1844 and is no longer taxed as the William Kidd estate after 1846.

1839 – **Shadrack Kidd and Susan his wife** are named in Louisa County, VA Court Orders in a case among the heirs related to the division of the estate of James Stodgell, deceased:

James Michie, Sheriff of Louisa and Committee of the estate of James Stodgell decd, Plaintiffs, against Dorothy Stodgell, Shelton Stodgell, Charles Stodgell, William Stodgell, John Jordan & Joanna his wife, John Stodgell, Elizabeth Clark formerly Elizabeth Stodgell, Jesse Bugg & Martha his wife, James Fidler & Joanna his wife, **Shadrack Kidd & Susan his wife**, David, William, George & Winston Stodgell, children of Ambrose Stodgell decd, Ambrose Clarke, son of Mary Stodgell decd, and Martin Cameron and Sally his wife, David Glass, James Glass, children of Heny [Henrietta?] Clark who was a daughter of the said Mary Stodgell decd, Defendants

On motion of the Defendant Dorothy Stodgell leave is granted her to file her answer & she filed the same and on motion of the Plaintiff this cause is set forth herein & ordered to be placed on the Court docket.

The disposition of this case is not known.²⁶⁵

1840 – **Shadrack Kidd** appears on the 1840 Buckingham County census, with 2 white males, 1 40-49 and 1 50-59. The second white male is most likely Robert, his brother. One was employed in agriculture, one employed in manufacture and trade, and both were listed as white persons over 20 who cannot read and write.²⁶⁶

1840-1853 – **Shadrack Kidd** first appears on the Fluvanna County LTLs in 1840, when he's taxed on 61¾ acres adjoining Booth Woodson and lying 4 miles south of the courthouse. Later (1849-1853) this land is described as adjoining Joseph H. Warren or Wren, and the acreage is 64¾ acres, 6 miles South of the CH. This listing continues annually through 1853, after which this tract drops from the LTLs.

1840 – On 1 Oct 1840, a deed of trust was filed in Goochland County, with land in Buckingham County used as security for the trust deed. The parties of the trust deed were, of the first part, Francis B. [F.B.] Deane Jr. and Arianna his wife, John A. Cunningham and Eliza his

²⁶⁵ Louisa County Order Book 1831-1847, p 155.

²⁶⁶ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1840 Census Northern District, Buckingham County, Virginia; Roll: 550; Page: 358; Image: 731; Family History Library Film: 0029683.

wife, and Edward Cunningham; of the second part, William H. MacFarland and Holden Rhodes; and of the third part, certain creditors of Deane and Cunningham.

The land referenced in the deed of trust is described as follows:

“All that certain tract of land and plantation lying and being on James River in the County of Buckingham called Bear Garden, containing about 825 Acres being the same more or less, bounded on the north by the James River, on the East by the lands of William Woodson, on the South by the lands of Johnson’s Estate and **Shadrach Kidd**, and on the West by the lands of the Buckingham Iron Company, together with six Lots in the Town of New Canton devised to the said Francis B. Dean by John Woodson decd....” The land in question, along with Deane’s slaves, livestock, and other goods, was subject to a prior deed of trust by Francis B. Deane to Robert Gwathmey to secure a debt to Rogers and Co.²⁶⁷

This Deed of Trust informs us that Shadrack Kidd owned land in the Bear Garden area of Buckingham County in 1840.

1841 – **Shedorick Kidd** appears on a poll list in Buckingham County held at Allens [precinct], undated but found among other papers dated 1841, so believed to be ca 1841.²⁶⁸

Fluvanna County August Court, 1841. **Shadrack Kidd**, having died intestate more than three months ago, and no person having applied for [illegible] administration on the estate of the said deceased, on the motion of Joshua Kidd, the Court orders that the Sheriff of the county take the said estate into his hands and administer it according to law, and that Thomas C. Noel, John Noel Jr., John Noel Sr., Dudley Richardson and John Bledsoe or any three of them appraise the personal estate of the said decedent and return the same to court.²⁶⁹ [Note: The relationship of Joshua Kidd to Shadrack Kidd is not known.]

1844 – At the end of the 1844 PPTLs, there is a list of deeds recorded during that year, with the entry: “**Shadrack Kidd** to Jos R. Ferguson, trustee for R.K. Hocker.” This corresponds closely to the 1846 notation on the Buckingham County LTLs under Estate of William Kidd of Phelps Creek [also known as Bear Garden Creek] near New Canton, when the estate’s remaining 21 acres is conveyed to Robert N. Hocker.²⁷⁰

SHERWOOD KIDD, son of John Kidd of Tillotson Parish in Buckingham County

Sherwood5 (John4, James3, William2, Thomas1) Kidd

Born abt 1776 ²⁷¹

Served in the War of 1812

Apparently never married

Died in Fluvanna County in August 1819 following an assault

1797-1803 – **Sherwood Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs as a household head for the first time in 1797, listed by name with the added notation “son of Jno.”

²⁶⁷ Goochland County Deed Book 32, 1839-1842, pp 336-337.

²⁶⁸ *Buckingham County Virginia Extant Poll Lists 1788, 1840, 1841, & 1848*, compiled and transcribed by Jeanne Stinson, Iberian Publishing Company, Athens GA, 1994, p. 68.

²⁶⁹ Fluvanna County. Order Book, 1840-1847, p. 105, retrieved from FHL #31482, image 79, via familysearch.org.

²⁷⁰ "Buckingham County 1843/1844 Will/Deed Ledgers," transcribed by Roger G. Ward, *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, volume 33, page 275, 1995.

²⁷¹ This estimated year of birth is based upon his first appearance on the Buckingham County PPTLs in 1797.

Below is a Table of the Buckingham County PPTL listings for Sherwood Kidd:

YEAR	NAME	W Tithes	B >16	B >12	Horses	Image #; COMMENTS
1797	Sherwood, son of Jno.	1	0	0	1	FHL #30687, image 338
1798	Sherwood	1	0	0	0	355
1799	Sherwood	1	0	0	0	380
1800	Sherwood	1	0	0	0	400
1801	Sherwood	1	0	0	0	425
1802	Sherwood	1	0	0	1	453
1803	Sherwood	1	0	0	1	483
1804	not listed					515
1805	not listed					555
1806	not listed					585
1807	Sherwood	1	0	0	0	605
1808	no tax statewide					
1809	not listed					655
1810	Sherwood	1	0	0	0	FHL #30688, image 14
1811	Sherwood	1	0	0	0	64
1812	not listed					82
1813	not listed					115
1814	Sherwood	1	0	0	0	170
1815	not listed					238
1816	not listed					FHL #30688, image 238 or FHL #29902, image 536
1817	Sherwood	1	0	0	0	FHL #30688, image 286
1818	drops from PPTLs					

1800 – **Sherwood Kidd** appears on a list of Buckingham County militia dated 11 Mar 1800, along with Absalom, Archer, William, Edmund, and Lewis Kidd.²⁷² Sent from the Buckingham Court, the document was addressed to The Honorable James Madison, Richmond. The one-page document contains recommendations for the Buckingham County militia officers and a list of militia members.

1800 – 14 Jul 1800: **Sherwood Kidd** placed a notice in the Aug 8, 1800, issue of the *Virginia Argus* newspaper, published in Richmond, for the return of a runaway slave Ben:

²⁷² Governor's Office Militia Commission Papers, 1800, Buckingham County, Virginia: "Buckingham, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QHV-V3DW-H3HC?view=fullText> : Feb 19, 2025), image 29 of 29; . 008713716.

“20 Dollars Reward. RAN away from the subscriber, about the 1st of June last a very black negro man, named Ben: He is about 5 feet ten or eleven inches high, between 25 and 30 years old, large ankles, which to a person unacquainted with him would appear to be swelled; he has several scars about his neck and jaws, and a knot the size of a man's thumb, not unlike a horn. He was formerly the property of Armstead Russell of New-Kent County, and has a wife belonging to col. William Mayo near Richmond, about which place it is probable he is now lurking, having been seen there on Saturday last; had on & took with him a variety of wearing apparel, and is remarkable for always appearing well dressed. The above reward will be given to any person that will take up said fellow and commit him to the jail in Richmond. **Sherwood Kidd**. Buckingham, July 14, 1800.”²⁷³

1803 – By 23 April 1803, Joseph Kidd is named as lead plaintiff in the Chancery suit *Kidd v Kidd* with his brother **Sherwood Kidd**, which suggests their father John Kidd, original lead plaintiff, has died.²⁷⁴

1804-1806 – Sherwood Kidd drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs in 1804; even though he is named in Fluvanna County court records as traveling from Buckingham County in 1805 and 1806 (see below), and in an 1805 deed as of Fluvanna County, his name does not appear on the Buckingham County or Fluvanna County PPTLs in these years.

1805 – Fluvanna County May Court 1805. On the motion of **Sherwood Kidd**, a witness for Hawkins Kirby against James Rea, It is ordered that the said Hawkins pay him \$2.18 for two days attendance at this Court and coming twelve miles from Buckingham County and returning, and for ferriages across James River, as the Law directs.²⁷⁵

Fluvanna County August Court, 1805. On the motion of **Sherwood Kidd**, a witness for Hawkins Kirby against James Rea, It is ordered that the said Hawkins pay him \$1.65 for one days attendance at this Court and coming twelve miles from Buckingham County and returning, and for ferriages across James River, as the Law directs.²⁷⁶

28 October 1805. **Sharod/Sherwood**²⁷⁷ **Kidd** of Fluvanna County entered into a Deed of Trust with John Moore, in order to secure the payment of \$400 due 17 February 1807, with interest thereon from 17 February 1805 due to Richard Perkins Junr; he used the house he was occupying and two acres of adjoining land, with the privilege of using such timber, stone, etc. necessary to support the said place, Goodspring, from the lands of John Perkins. **Sherwood Kidd** signed with an X. Witnesses included Lewis Mayo and Barnard Thomas. The deed was proved in court and recorded on 28 October 1805.²⁷⁸

²⁷³ The Geography of Slavery in Virginia website, University of Virginia, at http://www2.vcdh.virginia.edu/saxon/servlet/SaxonServlet?source=/xml_docs/slavery/ads/vg1800.xml&style=/xml_docs/slavery/ads/display_ad.xml&cad=v1800080019

²⁷⁴ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al v.* Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al.* 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

²⁷⁵ FHL #31478, Item 1, Fluvanna County Order Book, January 1804 – July 1807, p. 231.

²⁷⁶ *Ibid.*, p. 280.

²⁷⁷ His given name is spelled Sharod in the text of the deed, and in the deed index, but Sherwood later in the text, and designating his signature, which he marked with an X.

²⁷⁸ FHL #31468, item 1: Fluvanna County DB 4:513-514 (image 286 on this reel. Scanned image available in the Fluvanna Deeds subfolder on Dropbox.

Fluvanna County October Court 1805. A Deed of Trust between **Sherwood Kidd** of the one part and John Moore of the other part purporting to be for the benefit of Richard Perkins junior was acknowledged by Sherwood Kidd and ordered to be recorded.²⁷⁹

Fluvanna County November Court 1805. On the motion of **Sherwood Kidd**, a witness for Hawkins Kirby against James Rea, It is ordered that the said Hawkins pay him \$1.06 for two days attendance at this Court, as the Law directs.²⁸⁰

1806 – Fluvanna County March Court, 1806. On the motion of **Sherwood Kidd**, a witness for Hawkins Kirby against James Rea, It is ordered that the said Hawkins pay him \$1.73 for one day's attendance at this Court and coming thirteen miles from Buckingham County and returning, and for ferriages across James River, as the Law directs.²⁸¹

Fluvanna County May Court, 1806. On the motion of **Sherwood Kidd**, a witness for Hawkins Kirby against James Rea, It is ordered that the said Hawkins pay him \$2.26 for two days attendance at this Court and coming thirteen miles from Buckingham County and returning, and for ferriages across James River, as the Law directs.²⁸²

Fluvanna County May Court 1806. On the motion of **Sherwood Kidd**, a witness for Hawkins Kirby against James Rea, It is ordered that the said Hawkins pay him fifty-three cents for one day's attendance at this Court, as the Law directs.²⁸³

Fluvanna County August Court 1806. On the motion of **Sherwood Kidd**, a witness for Hawkins Kirby against James Rea, It is ordered that the said Hawkins pay him \$1.73 for one day's attendance at this Court and coming fifteen miles from Buckingham County and returning, as the Law directs.²⁸⁴

Fluvanna County November Court 1806. On the motion of **Sherwood Kidd**, a witness for Hawkins Kirby against James Rea, It is ordered that the said Hawkins pay him \$2.10 for two days attendance at this Court and coming thirteen miles from Buckingham County and returning, as the Law directs.²⁸⁵

Fluvanna County November Court 1806. On the motion of **Sherwood Kidd**, a witness for Hawkins Kirby against James Rea, It is ordered that the said Hawkins pay him fifty-three cents for one day's attendance at this Court, as the Law directs.²⁸⁶

1807 – Fluvanna County March Court 1807. On the motion of **Sherwood Kidd**, a witness for Hawkins Kirby against James Rea, It is ordered that the said Hawkins pay him \$3.27 for

²⁷⁹ FHL #31478, Item 1, Fluvanna County Order Book, January 1804 – July 1807, p. 301, listed as " Kidd to Moore for Perkins, Deed of Trust" in Index.

²⁸⁰ FHL #31478, Item 1, Fluvanna County Order Book, January 1804 – July 1807, p. 331.

²⁸¹ Ibid., p. 386.

²⁸² Ibid., p. 431.

²⁸³ Ibid., p. 441.

²⁸⁴ Ibid., p. 483.

²⁸⁵ Ibid., p. 525.

²⁸⁶ Ibid., p. 527.

three days attendance at this Court and coming Nineteen miles from Buckingham County and returning, and for ferriages across James River, as the Law directs.²⁸⁷

1807-1811 – **Sherwood Kidd** is found on the Buckingham County PPTL in 1807. No statewide tax was collected in 1808. He is not found in 1809, but appears in 1810 and 1811, then is not listed in 1812 or 1813.

1810 – He is not found on the 1810 census for Buckingham or Fluvanna Cos.

1813 – **Sherwood Kidd** enlisted in the War of 1812 in the 35th U.S. Infantry on 13 July 1813 in New Glasgow, Amherst County, VA and worked on a R.R. crew.²⁸⁸ Unfortunately his entry in this record is incomplete, lacking his physical description, his place of birth and other information about the length of his service.

On 9 Sept 1813, **Sherwood Kidd** is tried and acquitted on charges of disobedience of orders, as recorded in the 1813 Orderly Book of William Bolling, cavalry commandant in Brig. Robert B. Taylor's brigade, assigned to the defense of Norfolk and Hampton Roads. The Orderly Book covers the period 10 Aug-18 Oct 1813. From 9 Sept 1813 General Orders: "Trial of **Sherwood Kidd**, a private in Capt. Taliaferro's company on the charge of disobedience of orders. Found not guilty."²⁸⁹

1814 – Private **Sherwood Kidd** served in Capt. William Jones' Infantry detached from the 24th and 102nd regiments, Buckingham and Powhatan Counties [attached to 4th V.M., McDowell, Koontz and Chilton] from 26 Feb 1814 to 25 Mar 1814, present 25 Mar 1814 at Camp Slaughter Field.²⁹⁰ Sherwood served in Capt. William Jones' company [attached to 5th V.M., Lt. Col. Edward Jones] from 26 Mar 1814 to 9 Jun 1814, listed as present at Norfolk 9 Jun 1814, 200 miles from home, 10 days allowed for returning home.²⁹¹

1815 – Private **Sherwood Kidd** served as a substitute for James Moss in Captain Walter L. Fontaine's Company of Voluntary Artillery from the 24th Regiment now in service at Camp Carter, attached to the 8th V.M. from 26 Jan 1815 to 19 Feb 1815, present 19 Feb 1815 and 90 miles from home.²⁹² [Note: James Moss served in the same unit from 19 Aug 1814 to 25 Jan 1815 when he furnished Sherwood Kidd as his substitute.²⁹³]

1819 – **Sherwood Kidd** was assaulted and severely beaten in Fluvanna County, VA on 13 August 1819 by Thomas B. Hill, and died soon thereafter. On 23 August 1819, Hill was charged in Fluvanna County Court of murder. Hill pleaded not guilty, and the Court agreed that he was not guilty of felonious murder, but that he should be tried for misdemeanor assault and

²⁸⁷ Ibid., p. 582.

²⁸⁸ *U.S. Army, Register of Enlistments, 1798-1914* on Ancestry.com

²⁸⁹ *William Bolling Orderly Book, 1813*, Accession #11138, Special Collections Dept., University of Virginia Library, Charlottesville, Va. <http://ead.lib.virginia.edu/vivaxtf/view?docId=uva-sc/viu01370.xml>

²⁹⁰ Sherwood Kidd CMSR War of 1812, Jones' 4th V.M, original at NAB, viewed 12/30/2009, WRK, copies on file.

²⁹¹ Sherwood Kidd CMSR War of 1812, card numbers 38699050, 9163, original at NAB, viewed 12/30/2009, WRK, copies on file.

²⁹² Sherwood Kidd CMSR War of 1812, card numbers 38765730, 5631, original at NAB, viewed 12/30/2009, WRK, copies on file.

²⁹³ James Moss CMSR War of 1812, card numbers 38765249, 5348, 5443, 5540, 5639, 5738, originals at NAB, viewed 1/8/2010, WRK, copies on file.

battery at a subsequent session. The defendant was apparently released on bail, and **Henry Kidd** was one of Hill's securities for his appearance in Court.²⁹⁴

SUSANNA(H) KIDD(s)

1785 – A **Susannah Kidd** appears on the PPTLs for one year, with no tithes.

1812 – A **Susanna Kidd** appears on the PPTLs for one year, with no tithes.

SUSANNA KIDD QUARLES, daughter of James Kidd of Slate River, Buckingham County

Likely born by 1760

Married an unknown Quarles

Died sometime after 1810, probably in Buckingham County.

1803 – **Susanna Quarles** was named as a sibling of Moses Kidd and plaintiff with his other siblings in the Chancery suit over Moses Kidd's estate in *Kidd v Kidd*.²⁹⁵ No husband is named for Susanna, so she may have been widowed by 1803. [See [Appendix Three](#).]

1810 – She is on the federal census in Buckingham County, VA:

Susannah Quarls – 1M 26-44; 2F 16-25, 2 26-44 & 1 45 and older. No slaves. Next door is a William Quarls, age 26-44, with his family.

She is not found after 1810 in Buckingham County records.

WALLACE KIDD, U.S. Army soldier

Born abt 1791 in Buckingham County²⁹⁶

Married Mary Butler in Fluvanna County in 1821

Lived in Campbell County and likely died there between 1832-1841

1809-1810 – In each of these years, **Wallace Kidd** appears on the Campbell County, VA PPTLs, charged each year with only his own tithes. He drops from these lists in 1811, and does not reappear through 1814.

1813-1815 – **Wallace Kidd** is listed as a member of the U.S. Army as a Private in the 20th Infantry, age 22, occupation hatter, born in Buckingham County, enlisted 13 Aug 1813, discharged at Camp Defiance [near Norfolk] 13 Feb 1815. Physical description: 5' 9 1/2" tall, blue eyes, light hair and light complexion. Discharged 13 February 1815, "term expired."^{297 298}

Note: This is the only Buckingham County record we've found for Wallace Kidd.

²⁹⁴ Fluvanna County Court Order Book 8 (1815-1819), pages 616-617, retrieved from FHL #31479, image 720 via familysearch.org.

²⁹⁵ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

²⁹⁶ His 1813 enlistment record in the U.S. Army lists his age as 22, and his place of birth as Buckingham.

²⁹⁷ "Virginia Soldiers in the United States Army, 1800-1815," by Stuart Lee Butler, p. 104, located at Library of Virginia, reviewed 7-17-2009, WRK.

²⁹⁸ Records of Men Enlisted in the U.S. Army Prior to the Peace Establishment, May 17, 1815, accessed online at Ancestry.com.

- 1821 – On 15 September 1821, **Wallace Kidd** and Mary Butler were married in Fluvanna County, VA, by John Goodman, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church.²⁹⁹
- 1829 – After an absence of nearly twenty years, a **Wallace Kidd** again appears on the Campbell County PPTLs, taxed only for his own tithe, and no horse or other property.³⁰⁰
- 1830 – The 1830 federal census has a **Wallis Kidd** enumerated in Campbell County, p. 342, line 12 **Wallis Kidd**: 1M<5 & 1 30-39; 1F 20-29.
- 1831 – **Wallace Kidd** appears for one final time on the 1831 Campbell County PPTL, taxed only for his own tithe.³⁰¹ He does not appear on these tax records again through 1850, the last year that we have checked.

Note: We haven't found any other records for Wallace Kidd in Campbell County or elsewhere. His widow Mary Butler Kidd remarried in Rockbridge County, VA in 1842, and has her two children by Wallace Kidd in her household in 1850. We believe that Wallace Kidd died in Campbell County prior to the 1840 federal census; that his widow Mary Butler Kidd married Thomas Stone in Rockbridge County in 1842; that her two children by Wallace Kidd were the John P. Kidd and Elizabeth Kidd found in Thomas Stone's household in 1850 in Rockbridge County; and that Elizabeth J. McTheney's 1889 marriage record is the linchpin tying this family group to Wallace Kidd of Buckingham, Fluvanna and Campbell Counties.

For the details of this analysis, see the section on Wallace's widow, Mary Butler Kidd, in our Campbell County document.

WILLIAM KIDD(s)

In Buckingham County, a burned records county, the personal property tax lists (PPTLs) and land tax lists (LTLs) provide the best available information to identify individuals and family groups up to the mid-1800s. The annual tax lists, over a period from 1782 to 1822, help us identify four separate men named William Kidd living in Buckingham County:

1. **William Kidd Sr.**, with likely sons John, Moses, and Lewis Kidd
2. **William Kidd, son of James Kidd of Slate River**, also identified as William "of New Canton," with wife Ann and sons William Jr., Shadrack, and Robert Kidd
3. **William Kidd, son of John Kidd of Tillotson Parish, Slate River**
4. **William Kidd Jr., son of William Kidd of New Canton and his wife Ann**

In addition, **William Kidd, who married Nancy O. Bugg** in 1802 in Fluvanna County VA, is named in Fluvanna County records in 1803, 1804, and 1807 as being "of Buckingham County." We have not identified him as appearing in any records found in Buckingham County, and we do not know his relationship to other Buckingham County Kidd families.

The following Table shows the annual Buckingham County PPTLs for all men named William Kidd from 1782 to 1822. Starting in 1823, no William Kidd is found on the PPTLs through 1863, the last

²⁹⁹ *Virginia Historic Marriage Register, Fluvanna County, VA Marriages, 1781-1849*, by John Vogt and T. William Kethley Jr., Iberian Press, Athens GA 1984, P. 32. Scanned image of the actual record available upon request.

³⁰⁰ FHL #2024502, Campbell County, VA PPTLs, 1815-1829, image 742 of 759.

³⁰¹ FHL #2024503, Campbell County, VA PPTLs, 1830-1832, image 124 of 207.

year we've checked. [Note: PPTLs after 1863 on microfilm may be accessed through the Library of Virginia, but are not digitized or available online.]

TABLE: BUCKINGHAM COUNTY PPTLS FOR ALL WILLIAM KIDD(S), 1782-1822

Legend: § William Kidd Sr.
 † William Kidd, of New Canton, son of James Kidd of Slate River
 * William Kidd, son of John Kidd of Tillotson Parish, Slate River
 ‡ William Jr., son of William Kidd of New Canton

YEAR	TAXPAYER	ALSO in HH	W Tithes	Tithable Slaves	Horses	Image #; COMMENTS
1782	William Kidd §	none	1	0	1	FHL #30687, image 11; 4 cattle
	William Kidd †	none	1	0	2	image 11, 12 cattle
1783	William Kidd §	John Kidd, and 1 under 21	1	0	2	image 42; 4 C
	William †	none	1	0	3	i 42; 10 C
1784	William Kidd §	none	2	0	3	i 72; 3H, 4C
	no other William	x	x	x	x	i 72
1785	William Kidd §	none	1	0	2	i 89; 8C
	William Kidd †	none	2	0	3	i 89; 4C
1786	William Kidd [prob Sr.] §	none	1	0	2	i 107; 8C
1787	William †	William Kidd Jr., over 21 1 unnamed white male 16-21	1	0	3	i 123; 14 C
	William §	John Kidd	2	0	2	i 123; 4 C
1788	William Kidd Jr. †	Henry Kidd	2	0	3	i 141
	William Kidd §	none	1	0	1	1 141
1789	William §	Moses Kidd	2		3	i 159
1789	Wm 'son of James' †	none	1		3	i 160
1790	Wm 'son of James' †	none	1	0	3	i 185
	William §	Moses Kid	2	0	2	i 185
1791	William †	none	1	0	2	i 196
	"William Senr." §	Moses Kidd	2	0	3	i 196
1792	"Wm Senr" §	"LK" [likely Lewis]	2	0	2	i 217
	"Wm, son of Jas" †	none	1	0	2	i 217
1793	William †	none	1	0	3	i 238
	William §	"L[ewis] Kidd"	2	0	3	i 238

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1794	William §	LK [Lewis]	2	0	2	i 263
	William Junr †	none	1	0	4	i 263
1795	William Senr §	none	1	0	2	i284
	William †	[not named]	2	0	3	i 284
1796	William Senr §	none	1	0	2	i 314
	John Kidd Sr. *	"Sam, Abs & Wm" *	4	1	3	i 314
	William †	Wm Jr. ‡	2	0	4	i 314
1797	John Kidd, Senr	"Wm Kidd" *	2	1	4	i 338
	William Senr §	none	1	1	1	i 338
	William son of Jas †	Wm Kidd Jr. ‡	2	0	2	i 338
1798	William Sr. §	none	1	0	1	i 355
	John Kidd, Sr.	"W Kidd" *	2	2	3	i 355
	William †	"W ‡ & Shad'k"	3	0	2	i 355
1799	William (S Jno) *	none	1	0	0	i 380
	William Jr. §	none	1	0	2	i 380
	William †	Shad'k	2	0	2	i 380
1800	Wm near N Canton †	none	1	1	2	i 400
	Wm son of Jno *	none	1	0	1	i 400
	William Sr. §	none	1	0	2	i 400
1801	Wm near N Canton †	none	1	0	1	i 424
	William Sr. §	none	1	0	3	i 424
	William *	none	1	0	0	i 425
1802	Wm Sr. §	none	1	0	3	i 453
	William *	none	1	0	1	i 453
	Wm near N Canton †	none	1	1	1	i 453
1803	William Sr. §	[not named]	2	0	2	i 483
	William *	none	1	0	1	i 483
	Wm (N.C.) †	none	1	0	2	i 483
1804	William *	none	1	0	0	i 515
	Wm Sr. §	none	2	0	2	i 515
	William Jr. †	none	1	2	1	i 515
1805	William *	none	1	0	2	FHL #29290, i 487
1806	William *	none	1	0	1	FHL #30687, i 585
1807	William *	none	1	0	1	i 605
1808	no tax statewide					
1809	Wm son of Jno *	none	1	0	0	i 655
1810	William *	none	1	0	1	FHL #30688, i 14
1811	William *	none	1	0	0	i 64

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1812	William *	none	1	0	0	i 82
1813	William (SJ) [son of John] *	none	1	0	3	i 115-116
1814	William Kidd Estate †	none	0	2	2	i 170
	William *	none	1	0	2	i 170
1815	Wm (S Jno) *	none	1	2	1	i 238
1816	Wm *	none	1	2	1	FHL #29902, i 536 302
1817	William *	none	1	2	0	FHL #30688, i 286
1818	Wm *	none	1	1	0	i 304
	Wm (S of Ann) ‡	none	1	2	1	i 304
1819	Wm ‡	none	1	2	1	i 340
1820	William ‡	none	1	2	0	i 382
	William *	none	1	0	1	i 382
1821	Wm ‡	none	1	1	1	i 444
	Wm *	none	1	0	1	i 444
1822	Wm ‡	none	1	2	2	i 464
	Wm *	none	1	1	0	i 464
1823	No Williams listed 1823-1863					

In the sections that follow, we present the records we have identified for each William Kidd.

WILLIAM KIDD, SR., parents unknown

[Noted by § in our PPTL tables]

Born ca 1737-1740³⁰³

Buckingham County landowner of 190 acres

Likely died by 1804

Likely the father of John, Moses, and Lewis Kidd

The older William Kidd (born between 1737-1740), who appears every year on the Buckingham County PPTLs from 1782 to 1804, is most often noted on the lists as William Kidd Sr. [Senr]. William Sr.'s household tithables are most likely his sons, named as John, Moses, and L, for Lewis. In 1797 only, he is listed as having one slave, which could be in error since it is the only year with this notation.

This older William Kidd appears on the Buckingham County LTLs, taxed on 190 acres, starting in 1787. William Kidd Sr. drops from the LTLs in 1804, which is consistent with his last appearance on the Buckingham County PPTLs. This suggests that he has died by 1804.

³⁰² During the microfilming of the Buckingham County PPTLs, The PPTL for 1816 was inadvertently included with the Buckingham County Land Tax Lists, rather than in its expected place with the PPTLs. Thus it's found on a different FHL film.

³⁰³ Based on the appearance of his presumed oldest son John in his HH on the 1783 PPTLs.

1773-1774 – Two colonial tithables lists for 1773 and 1774 survive for Buckingham County. A William Kidd is listed on the list of William Cannon in 1773 and 1774 as one of 12 tithables of George Hunt Allen. In 1774, a second **William Kidd** is listed.^{304, 305} It seems more likely that William Kidd Sr., the elder William Kidd, is the second William Kidd listed in 1774, but this is not proven.

1780 – On 14 February 1780, **William Kidd** was a witness in Buckingham County, along with Robert Easley, to the signing of a document transferring a bounty land warrant from Peter Roy to William Easley, who made oath that Peter Roy was a soldier in Col. William Peachy’s Virginia Regiment for eight months in 1759.

No 1057: [original spelling preserved]

Rolfe Eldridge Clerk Court

[verso] I Peter Roy doth indos [endorse] this sitivict [certificate] oveal to William Easley and his ares [heirs] forevear [*signed*] Petear Roy; Robeart Easley; **William Kidd**.³⁰⁶

1782-1804 – **William Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs from 1782 to 1804, in some years noted as William Senr [Sr.]. His sons also are named in his household in different years between 1787 to 1794.

TABLE: BUCKINGHAM COUNTY PPTLS FOR WILLIAM KIDD SR., 1782-1804

Legend: William Kidd Sr. §

YEAR	TAXPAYER	ALSO in HH	W Tithes	Tithable Slaves	Horses	Image #; COMMENTS
1782	William Kidd §	none	1	0	1	FHL #30687, image 11; 4 cattle
1783	William Kidd §	John Kidd, and 1 under 21	1	0	2	image 42; 4 C
1784	William Kidd §	[not named]	2	0	3	i 72; 3H, 4C
	[no other William]					i 72
1785	William Kidd §	none	1	0	2	i 89; 8C
1786	William Kidd [prob Sr] §	none	1	0	2	i 107; 8C
1787	William §	John Kidd	2	0	2	i 123; 4 C
1788	William Kidd §	none	1	0	1	1 141
1789	William §	Moses Kidd	2	0	3	i 159
1790	William §	Moses Kid	2	0	2	i 185
1791	"William Senr." §	Moses Kidd	2	0	3	i 196

³⁰⁴ *Virginia Tithables from Burned Record Counties*, by Robert F. and Isabel B. Woodson, published privately, Richmond VA, 1970, p 2

³⁰⁵ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 7

³⁰⁶ “French and Indian War Land Bounty Certificates,” abstracted by Barbara Vines Little, *Virginia Genealogical Society Quarterly*, May 1999, Vol 37, No 2, p 117.

1792	"Wm Senr" §	"LK" [likely Lewis]	2	0	2	i 217
1793	William §	"L[ewis] Kidd"	2	0	3	i 238
1794	William §	LK [Lewis]	2	0	2	i 263
1795	William Senr §	none	1	0	2	i284
1796	William Senr §	none	1	0	2	i 314
1797	William Senr §	none	1	1	1	i 338
1798	William Sr. §	none	1	0	1	i 355
1799	William Sr. §	none	1	0	2	i 380
1800	William Sr. §	none	1	0	2	i 400
1801	William Sr. §	none	1	0	3	i 424
1802	Wm Sr. §	none	1	0	3	i 453
1803	William Sr. §	[not named]	2	0	2	i 483
1804	Wm Sr. §	[not named]	2	0	2	i 515
1805	William Sr. drops from	PPTLs				

1786 – James Shoemaker sells 190 acres to **William Kidd Sr.**, according to county tax lists.³⁰⁷

1787-1803 – **William Kidd**, also listed as **William Kidd Sr.**, appears on the Buckingham County LTLs from 1787-1803. He drops from the list in 1804:

BUCKINGHAM COUNTY LTLs FOR WILLIAM KIDD, 1782-1803

Year	Acres	Notations on LTLs
1787-1793	190	Listed as William
1794-1803	190	listed as William Sr.
1804		William Sr. not listed

Note: A William Kidd sells 50 acres to John Ayres in 1803, according to county tax lists.³⁰⁸ It is not known whether this is William Kidd Sr. or William Kidd, son of James, because neither of their taxable acreage changes in 1803.

We've found no further records for William Kidd, Sr. We believe that he died by 1804 in Buckingham County.

William Kidd, Sr. was likely the father of John, Moses, and Lewis Kidd, all of whom moved away from Buckingham County before or by the time of their father's death.

- In 1783, John Kidd is first named as a tithable in his father William's household.
- In 1784 and 1785, William has two white tithes in his household; the second unnamed tithe can be inferred as son John.
- Starting in 1787, John begins to appear in his own household, named either as John Jr. or John, son of William.

³⁰⁷ *Buckingham County Virginia Land Tax Summaries and Implied Deeds, Vol 1: 1782-1814*, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1993, pp 177-9

³⁰⁸ *Buckingham County Virginia Land Tax Summaries and Implied Deeds, Vol 1: 1782-1814*, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1993, pp 177-9

- In 1798, this John Kidd drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs. This is consistent with the date that John Kidd of Buckingham County purchased land in neighboring Amherst County, VA and migrated there, where he remained throughout his life.
- **In 1789-1791, Moses Kidd is named as a tithable in his father William's household.**
- In 1792, a white tithe "MK" appears in the household of John Junr. This is William's son John, with his brother Moses Kidd ("MK").
- In 1793, Moses, identified as "Moses, son of Wm," appears in his own household.
- Moses Kidd drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs after 1793. We believe this Moses Kidd migrated to Chatham County, NC, where he married Cary Powers in 1795/1796 and where he remained until his death in present-day Moore County, NC.
- **In 1792-1794, "LK" or "L Kidd" is named as a tithable in his father William's household. This is Lewis Kidd, the third son of William Kidd, Sr.**
- In 1795-1798, Lewis appears in his own household.
- In 1799, he is listed as "L. Kid" in the household of John Couch Jr.; Couch is a wealthy landowner, so Lewis likely was working for him.
- In 1800-1803, Lewis appears in his own household.
- Lewis Kidd drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs after 1803. We believe this Lewis Kidd migrated to Blount County, TN, where he remained until his death.

WILLIAM KIDD, of New Canton, son of James Kidd of Slate River, Buckingham County
[Noted by † in our PPTL tables]
William⁴ (James³, William², Thomas¹) Kidd
Born by 1750³⁰⁹
Wife Ann/Anne
Sons William Jr., Shadrack, Robert, and possibly Henry
Died between 1805-1807

The second William Kidd [born by 1750], who appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs from 1782 to 1804 [except for 1784 and 1786], is noted as William of New Canton [NC] or William, son of James. This William Kidd is the son of James Kidd of Slate River and lived in close proximity to his wealthier brothers Moses and John along Phelps Creek, also known as Bear Garden Creek. William Kidd of New Canton's household tithables are identifiable either as slaves or as his sons, named as William Jr. and Shadrack. William also has a younger son named Robert, who is never named in his father's household, but who appears with his mother Ann, William Sr.'s widow, in later years.

1773-1774 – Two colonial tithables lists for 1773 and 1774 survive for Buckingham County. A **William Kidd** is listed in 1773 and 1774 as one of 12 tithables of George Hunt Allen. In 1774, a second William Kidd is listed.^{310, 311} It seems most likely that William Kidd, son of

³⁰⁹ His sons begin to appear in his HH as tithables starting in 1795, making the eldest born by 1774. This suggests their father was born ca 1750.

³¹⁰ *Virginia Tithables from Burned Record Counties*, by Robert F. and Isabel B. Woodson, published privately, Richmond VA, 1970, p 2

³¹¹ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally

James, who would have been in his early 20s in 1773, is the tithable working for George Hunt Allen, but this is not proven.

Undated – A **William Kidd** appears on a Buckingham County, VA militia list.³¹²

1782-1804 – **William Kidd** appears on the first Buckingham County PPTL and is listed every year through 1804, except in 1784 and 1786.

**TABLE: BUCKINGHAM COUNTY PPTLs FOR WILLIAM KIDD OF NEW CANTON
1782-1804**

Legend: William Kidd, of New Canton, son of James Kidd of Slate River †

YEAR	TAXPAYER	ALSO in HH	W Tithes	Tithable Slaves	Horses	Image #; COMMENTS
1782	William Kidd †	none	1	0	2	image 11, 12 cattle
1783	William †	none	1	0	3	i 42; 10 C
1784	[William of New Canton not found]					
1785	William Kidd †	[not named]	2	0	3	i 89; 4C
1786	[William of New Canton not found]					
1787	William †	William Kidd Jr., and 1 26-21 [Henry]	1	0	3	i 123; 14 C
1788	William Kidd Jr. †	Henry Kidd	2	0	3	i 141
1789	Wm 'son of James' †	none	1	0	3	i 160
1790	Wm 'son of James' †	none	1	0	3	i 185
1791	William †	none	1	0	2	i 196
1792	"Wm, son of Jas" †	none	1	0	2	i 217
1793	William †	none	1	0	3	i 238
1794	William Junr †	none	1	0	4	i 263
1795	William †	[not named]	2	0	3	i 284
1796	William †	Wm Jr. ‡	2	0	4	i 314
1797	William son of Jas †	Wm Kidd Jr. ‡	2	0	2	i 338
1798	William †	"W ‡ & Shad'k"	3	0	2	i 355

published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 7

³¹² Cited in *Revolutionary Patriots of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Carl Coleman Rosen, Willow Bend Books, Westminster MD, 2002, p 114. Rosen cites *History of Buckingham County*, p 106, and John Gwathmey's *Historical Register of Virginians in the Revolution*, p 445

1799	William †	Shad'k	2	0	2	i 380
1800	Wm near N Canton †	none	1	1	2	i 400
1801	Wm near N Canton †	none	1	0	1	i 424
1802	Wm near N Canton †	none	1	1	1	i 453
1803	Wm (N.C.) †	none	1	0	2	i 483
1804	William Jr. †	none	1	2	1	i 515
1814	William Kidd Estate †	none	0	2	2	i 170
1815	William Kidd Estate	drops from	PPTLs			

1782 – **William Kidd** first appears on the Buckingham County LTLs, noted as “son of James” and taxed on 100 acres. Starting in 1814, his estate is taxed on the land, with the last 21 acres of his land not sold until 1846.

BUCKINGHAM COUNTY LTLs FOR WILLIAM KIDD AND ESTATE, 1782-1847

Year	Acres	Notations on LTLs
1782	100	William, son of James
1787-1793	100	William, son of James [no lists survive for 1783-1786]
1794-1812	100	William [son of James no longer noted]
1813	100	“non resident”
1814-1822	100	William Kidd Estate, residence near New Canton 25 mi E of CH
1823-1832	100	William Kidd Estate, Phelps Cr 25 mi E of CH
1833	50	50 acres conveyed to Daniel (?) Gough by Sheriff's sale
1834	29	29 acres conveyed to Glover Gough by Sheriff's sale
1835-1847	21	William Kidd Estate “Legatees,” Phelps Cr 25 m E of CH
1846	21	21 acres conveyed to Robert N. Hocker
1848		William Kidd Estate drops from the lists in 1848

Note: A William Kidd sells 50 acres to John Ayres in 1803, according to county tax lists.³¹³ It is not known whether this is William Kidd Sr. or William Kidd, son of James, because neither of their taxable acreage changes in 1803.

1785 – 27 Oct, **William Kidd**, James Kidd, Moses Kidd, and Samuel Kidd were among 500 residents of Buckingham County who signed a legislative petition to the Virginia House of Delegates, protesting a levy to pay ministers and arguing for the separation of church and state.³¹⁴

³¹³ Buckingham County Virginia Land Tax Summaries and Implied Deeds, Vol 1: 1782-1814, by Roger G. Ward, Iberian Publishing Co, Athens GA, 1993, pp 177-9

³¹⁴ *Protest against the bill obliging the inhabitants of the Commonwealth to pay the teachers of the Christian religion*, Library of Virginia, Legislative Petitions of Buckingham County, Reel 30, Box 314, folder 14, see also

1787-1788 – Two Kidd males of tithable age – one noted as William Jr. [b ca 1766], and one named as Henry [b ca 1768] – are found in **William Kidd’s** household in 1787 and 1788. In 1787, William Kidd’s household has a white tithable named as William Jr. and a second white male under the tithable age of 21, who likely was Henry. In 1788, William Kidd’s household has a white tithable named as Henry, likely the younger unnamed male in 1787.

1790, 1792, 1797 – In each of these years, **William Kidd** is noted on the Buckingham County PPTLs as William (son of James). This same designation is found in the Buckingham LTLs in 1782 and 1787-1793.

14	Winnard Roberts	M. Loughorne	2	4	1
15	Nessy Edward		1		1
16	Kid Samuel	Moses Kid	2		2
17	Kid William (son of James)		1		3
18	Kid Moses	H Kid	2	2	3

Figure: A portion of the 1790 Buckingham County PPTL, showing one example of this William Kidd’s designation as “son of James” on these county tax lists.

1790 – On 2 September 1790, the Prince Edward District Court, which included Buckingham County, issued a summons to (among others) Jesse Kidd of Buckingham County, ordering him to appear on behalf of the Commonwealth to give evidence against Robert Blanks in his trial for murder.³¹⁵

At the same session, Robert Blanks posted bail along with his securities, who included **William Kidd** of Buckingham County. Blanks promised to appear on the first day of the next session of the Court to answer the charge of murder, of which he stands accused. The Court ordered that Blanks be discharged from his imprisonment.³¹⁶

1791 – On 1 April 1791, the Prince Edward District Court returned an indictment against Robert Blanks, a laborer “late of the Parish of Tillotson and County of Buckingham,” for murder. Blanks was remanded into the custody of the Prince Edward County Sheriff, and his witnesses, including Jesse Kidd, were discharged. Blanks subsequently pleaded not guilty at trial and was acquitted and released.³¹⁷

<http://files.usgwarchives.net/va/buckingham/misc/1785petn.txt> , William Kidd signature p 1

³¹⁵ District Court Order Book One, Prince Edward County, Virginia, 1789-1792, page 107, from "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J3QV-K>), image 63;

³¹⁶ District Court Order Book One, Prince Edward County, Virginia, 1789-1792, page 109, from "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J3QF-6?lang=en&i=63>), image 64

³¹⁷ District Court Order Book One, Prince Edward County, Virginia, 1789-1792, pages 159-160, , from "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J3QQ-Y>), image 89

At the September 1791 term of the Prince Edward District Court, which included Buckingham County, the complaint of **William Kidd, plaintiff**, against Moses Kidd, defendant, both of Buckingham County, was heard and recorded. **William Kidd** stated that Moses Kidd owed him a debt of £33.11.0, which Moses acknowledged on 11 Jan 1790, and that the terms were that Moses pay £16.13.6 on demand, and if he did not, would owe the penal sum of £33.7. **William Kidd** further stated that “the said Moses has refused to pay this debt or the damages due to William of £10.0.0.” A conditional order for issued in September term 1791 and confirmed in October term 1791.³¹⁸

At the same September 1791 term, a similar complaint against Moses Kidd, defendant, for debt, was heard from Henry Kidd, plaintiff, both of Buckingham County.³¹⁹

1792 – At the April 1792 term of the Prince Edward District Court, which included Buckingham County: **William Kidd, Plaintiff**, vs. Moses Kidd, Defendant} In Debt

The Defendant being arrested again, solemnly called and not appearing, on the motion of the Plaintiff by his attorney, it is considered by the Court that the Plaintiff recover against the Defendant, and Peter Guerrant the Deputy Sheriff of Buckingham County for want of Bail £33.7.0 current money of Virginia, the debt in the declaration mentioned, together with his costs in this behalf extended. The said Defendant in Mercy pleads, etc...

But this Judgement is to be discharged by the payment of £16.13.5 with interest thereon at 5% per annum from 11 January 1791 till payment, and his cost

As evidence in this case, the original bond, signed in Buckingham County, was recorded; this bond was signed by Moses Kidd and witnessed by Jas. Cooper and Henry Kidd.³²⁰

At the same April 1792 term, in the case of Henry Kidd, Plaintiff, v Moses Kidd, Defendant, in Debt, the Court found for the plaintiff Henry Kidd and ruled that the defendant Moses Kidd pay £43.19.6 “with interest thereon at 5% per annum from 7 February 1791 till payment, and his [Henry’s] costs.”³²¹

1794 – On 19 Aug 1794, a Buckingham County survey for William Hansford is recorded for land on both sides of Phelps Creek, adjoining John H. Cock dec’d, Robert Blanks, John Fearn dec’d, and **William Kidd**.³²²

On 15 Nov 1794, John Kid and **William Kidd** were among residents of Tillotson Parish in Buckingham County who signed a legislative petition to the Virginia House of Delegates,

³¹⁸ Prince Edward County, Virginia District Court Order Book, 1792-1795, pages 51-52, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33W-F>), images 464-465

³¹⁹ Prince Edward County, Virginia District Court Order Book, 1792-1795, page 51, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33W-F>), image 464

³²⁰ Prince Edward County, Virginia District Court Order Book, 1792-1795, page 54, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33W-F>), image 466

³²¹ Prince Edward County, Virginia District Court Order Book, 1792-1795, page 52, "Prince Edward, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS4F-J33W-F>), image 465

³²² *Buckingham County, VA Surveyors Plat Book, 1762-1858*, by Eric G. Grundset, Clearfield Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 2011.

asking that the Glebe lands, the church being vacant and in poor repair with no minister, be sold and the proceeds used for paying taxes or county use.³²³

1795-1799 – In 1795, **William Kidd** has two white tithes in his household, with the second white tithe not named, but presumably his son William Jr. In 1796 and 1797, William Jr. is named as the second white tithe in William's household. In 1798, William's household has 3 white tithes, with the two additional white tithes named as "W and Shad'k." This is William Jr. and his brother Shadrack. In 1799, Shadrack is named as the second white tithe in William's household.

1800 – In 1800 and again in 1802, **William Kidd** is taxed for one slave; in 1804, for two slaves.

1803 – **William Kidd** is named as a sibling of Moses Kidd and plaintiff with his other siblings in the Chancery suit over Moses Kidd's estate in *Kidd v Kidd*.³²⁴ [See [Appendix Three](#).]

1804 – The Chancery suit deposition of Elizabeth Southern taken 5 May 1804 at the house of Benjamin Pollard [a tavern keeper in Buckingham County] states that she heard Moses Kidd say "in his lifetime"..."that if he was to give his estate to some of his kin, to **William Kidd** or Ben [two of his brothers], that they would not know how to possess it." This suggests they were not as prosperous as Moses and his brother John. [Note: At least part of William's land was subject to Sheriff's sales in 1833 and 1834 (see below), which possibly indicated insolvency.]

1805 – This **William Kidd** drops from the PPTLs after 1804, until his estate appears in 1814. This is consistent with the LTLs for his property and suggests that William died ca 1804.

1807 – **Ann Kidd, who can be identified as William's widow**, appears on the PPTLs with one white tithe, not named, but very likely one of her sons. There was no tax statewide in 1808.

1809-1810 – Anne Kidd appears on the PPTLs with no white tithes; Shadrack appears in his own household this year. In 1810, Anne again appears with no white tithes; Shadrack and Robert, with one white tithe each, appear in their own households.

1812-1813 – Ann and son R—[Robert] appear with one white tithe; in 1813, Ann and son [not named] again appear with one white tithe.

1814 – The **Estate of William Kidd**, with no white tithes, appears on the PPTLs for one year only.

Note: From 1814 to 1818, Ann, William Jr., Shadrack, and Robert variously appear on the Buckingham County PPTLs. Ann drops from the PPTLs after 1819, William Jr. after 1822. Shadrack and Robert continue to appear until 1844, when Shadrack sells the remainder of their father William's land and drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs. Robert remains on the PPTLs for another decade until 1854, when he is no longer listed.

Starting in the years 1795 and 1796, two younger William Kidds begin to appear on the Buckingham County PPTLs. These two men, who are first cousins very close in age, are sometimes noted on the PPTLs by the names of their fathers to separate their identities:

³²³ *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, p 30

³²⁴ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al v.* Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al.* 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

- **William, “son of John,”** who is the son of John Kidd and grandson of James Kidd, both of Slate River. William first appears in father John’s household in 1796 and is found consistently in Buckingham County until 1822, usually with the notation “son of Jno [John].”
- **William, “son of William,”** who is the son of William Kidd of New Canton and grandson of James Kidd of Slate River. This William first appears in 1795-1798, and then disappears until 1818-1822. It is not known where he was living during this 20-year period, but he later returned to Buckingham County.

WILLIAM KIDD, son of John Kidd of Tillotson Parish in Buckingham County
William⁵ (John⁴, James³, William², Thomas¹) Kidd
Born by 1774, likely in Buckingham County
Buckingham County landowner with 60 acres on the Slate River
Not found on the Buckingham County tax lists after 1822

1796-1822 – This **William, son of John**, first appears on the Buckingham County PPTLs, in his father’s household. He continues to appear annually through 1822, as depicted in the Table below:

TABLE: BUCKINGHAM COUNTY PPTLs FOR WILLIAM KIDD, SON OF JOHN, 1796-1822

Legend: William Kidd *, son of John Kidd of Tillotson Parish, Slate River

YEAR	TAXPAYER	ALSO in HH	W Tithes	Tithable Slaves	Horses	Image #; COMMENTS
1796	John Kidd Sr.	"Sam, Abs & Wm" *	4	1	3	i 314
1797	John Kidd, Senr	"Wm Kidd" *	2	1	4	i 338
1798	John Kidd, Sr.	"W Kidd" *	2	2	3	i 355
1799	William (S Jno) *	none	1	0	0	i 380
1800	Wm son of Jno *	none	1	0	1	i 400
1801	William *	none	1	0	0	i 425
1802	William *	none	1	0	1	i 453
1803	William *	none	1	0	1	i 483
1804	William *	none	1	0	0	i 515
1805	William *	none	1	0	2	FHL #29290, i 487
1806	William *	none	1	0	1	FHL #30687, 585
1807	William *	none	1	0	1	i 605
1808	no tax statewide					
1809	Wm son of Jno *	none	1	0	0	i 655
1810	William *	none	1	0	1	FHL #30688, i 14
1811	William *	none	1	0	0	i 64

1812	William *	none	1	0	0	i 82
1813	William (S) [son of John] *	none	1	0	3	i 115-116
1814	William *	none	1	0	2	i 170
1815	Wm (S Jno) *	none	1	2	1	i 238
1816	Wm *	none	1	2	1	FHL #20092, i 536
1817	William *	none	1	2	0	FHL #30688, i 286
1818	Wm *	none	1	1	0	i 304
1819	[William, son of John, not found]					
1820	William *	none	1	0	1	i 382
1821	Wm *	none	1	0	1	i 444
1822	Wm *	none	1	1	0	i 464
1823	No William listed	1823-1863				

1795 – **William Kidd** is likely one of the four white male tithes [none identified by name] in John Kidd’s household on the 1795 Buckingham County PPTLs. This suggests he was born by 1774.

1796-1798 – In each of these years, this **William Kidd** is listed by name as one of the additional white male tithes in the household of John Kidd Senr.

1799-1804 – This William appears as a household head for the first time on the 1799 Buckingham County PPTLs, listed as “**William Kidd, son of Jno.**” He again is identified as son of Jno in 1800, then is listed as **William Kidd** with no identifier and one tithe in 1801-1804.

1800 – **William Kidd** appears on a list of Buckingham County militia dated 11 Mar 1800, along with Absalom, Archer, Sherwood, Lewis, and Edmund Kidd.³²⁵ Sent from the Buckingham Court, the document was addressed to The Honorable James Madison, Richmond. The one-page document contains recommendations for the Buckingham County militia officers and a list of militia members.

1804-1822 – **William Kidd, son of John**, also appears on the Buckingham County LTLs with 60 acres on the Slate River, 20 miles NE of the courthouse. In 1804, this land is listed as “of John Kidd.” This suggests the land came to William through his father John Kidd, possibly upon John’s death.

BUCKINGHAM COUNTY LTLs FOR WILLIAM KIDD, SON OF JOHN, 1804-1822

Year	Acres	Notations on Land Tax Lists
1804-1810	60	“of John Kidd”

³²⁵ Governor’s Office Militia Commission Papers, 1800, Buckingham County, Virginia: "Buckingham, Virginia, United States records," images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QHV-V3DW-H3HC?view=fullText> : Feb 19, 2025), image 29 of 29; . 008713716

1811-1812	60	“son of John Kidd”
1813-1820	60	son John, on Slate River, his residence 20 mi NE of CH
1821-1822	60	[son of John notation not added]
1823		William not listed

1805-1822 – Starting in 1805 through 1817, only one William Kidd is found on the Buckingham County PPTLs. In 1809 and 1815, he is identified as **“William, son of Jno.”**

From 1818 through 1822, two William Kidds appear nearly every year; the William Kidd with no identifier is most likely **William, son of John**, based on the number of slave tithes. In 1818, “William, son of Ann” is listed separately.

1810 – A **William Kidd** appears on the 1810 Buckingham County federal census, with 2 WM <10 & 1 WM 26-44; 2 WF under 10, 1 WF 16-25, & 1 WF 45 and up. He is listed with 13 slaves, a higher number than listed on the PPTLs.³²⁶ Due to the presence of slaves, this appears to be William, son of John. [Note: The census enumerates the total number of slaves, regardless of taxable age.]

1820 – A **William Kidd** appears on the 1820 Buckingham County federal census, in New Canton: 1 WM under 10, 1 WM 10-15, 1 WM 45 and over, 4 WF under 10, 1 WF 10-15, 1 WF 26-44. Slaves: 1 F under 14, 2 F 14-25. Number of persons engaged in agriculture: 1.³²⁷ Again, due to the presence of slaves, this appears to be William, son of John.

1823 – **William Kidd**, son of John Kidd, drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs and LTLs after 1822. We do not know whether he died or left the county, nor the identity of his wife or children.

WILLIAM KIDD, JR., son of William Kidd and his wife Ann/Anne (maiden name unknown)

William⁵ (William⁴, James³, William², Thomas¹) Kidd

Born ca 1766

Not found on the Buckingham County tax lists after 1822

1787-1788 – Two Kidd males of tithable age – one noted as **William Jr.** [b ca 1766], and one named as Henry [b ca 1768] – are found in William Kidd’s household in 1787 and 1788. In 1787, William Kidd’s household has a white tithe named as **William Jr.** and a second white male under the tithable age of 21, who likely was Henry. In 1788, **William Kidd Jr.’s** household has a white tithe named as Henry, who was likely the younger unnamed male in their father’s household in 1787.

1795-1798 – **William, “son of William,”** Kidd of New Canton and grandson of James Kidd of Slate River, reappears on the Buckingham County PPTLs in 1795, as the second, unnamed

³²⁶ RK read the entire 69 pages of the 1810 census for Buckingham County in June 2014 and found no other William Kidd. Samuel Kidd is listed 5 pages later (image 42); and Shadrack, Henry and Absalom Kidd appear on image 57/69, all listed together. 1810 census, Buckingham County, Virginia; Roll: 66; Page: 829; Image: 0181426; Family History Library Film: 00825

³²⁷ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1820 U.S. Census New Canton, Buckingham, Virginia; Page: 151; NARA Roll: M33_132; Image: 128

tithe for that year; in 1796, 1797, and 1798, he appears by name in his father's household. He then disappears from these PPTLs and other Buckingham records until 1818. It is not known where he was living during this 20-year period. He reappears on the Buckingham County PPTLs in the years 1818-1822.

The Table below depicts his entries on the Buckingham PPTLs:

TABLE: BUCKINGHAM COUNTY PPTLs FOR WILLIAM KIDD, SON OF WILLIAM, 1796-1798, 1818-1822

Legend: **William Jr. ‡, son of William Kidd of New Canton**

YEAR	TAXPAYER	ALSO in HH	W Tithes	Tithable Slaves	Horses	Image #; COMMENTS
1787	William †	William Kidd Jr. ‡ and 1 26-21 [Henry]	1	0	3	i 123; 14 C
1788	William Kidd Jr. ‡	Henry Kidd	2	0	3	i 141
1797	William son of Jas †	Wm Kidd Jr. ‡	2	0	2	i 338
1798	William †	"W ‡ & Shad"k"	3	0	2	i 355
1799- 1817	No William listed					
1818	Wm (S of Ann) ‡	none	1	2	1	i 304
1819	Wm ‡	none	1	2	1	i 340
1820	William ‡	none	1	2	0	i 382
1821	Wm ‡	none	1	1	1	i 444
1822	Wm ‡	none	1	2	2	i 464
1823	No William listed		1823- 1863			

1795 – **William Kidd** is likely the unnamed second white tithe on the 1795 Buckingham County PPTLs in the household of William Kidd, son of James. This suggests he was born by 1774.

1796-1798 – In these years, **William Kidd** is listed by name on the PPTLs in the household of William Kidd, son of James.

1799-1817 – This William Kidd is not found by name on the Buckingham County PPTLs. His residence during this nearly 20-year period is not known; he has not been conclusively identified as any of the men named William Kidd living in surrounding counties during this time.

1818-1822 – In 1818, **“William, son of Ann”** appears on the PPTLs for the first time, and continues to be listed through 1822.

- 1820 – A second **William Kidd** appears on the 1820 Buckingham County federal census in New Canton, as a single white male 26-44, engaged in commerce. Listed on the same sheet with this William Kidd are a number of other single white male households, which suggests that he may have lived in town where he was engaged in some type of business.³²⁸
- 1823 – **William Kidd, son of William**, drops from the Buckingham County PPTLs after 1822. We do not know whether he died or left the county. If he is the same William Kidd who is on the 1820 Buckingham County census, he may have had no wife or family.

In addition to the four William Kidds above, there was a fifth William Kidd who left no records in Buckingham County, but who (according to Fluvanna County records) evidently lived in Buckingham County intermittently in the years 1803, 1804 & 1807.

WILLIAM KIDD, the husband of Nancy O. Bugg. Parents unknown

Born by 1781,³²⁹ likely in Virginia

Married Nancy O. Bugg, daughter of William C. Bugg and his wife Mary Sadler, on 11 November 1802 in Fluvanna County VA³³⁰

Owned property in Fluvanna County, lived in Buckingham and Campbell Cos VA

Date and place of death unknown, likely died in Campbell Co sometime after 1833

We do not know his relationship to the other Buckingham County Kidd families.

See his section in our Fluvanna County compilation for more information.

- 1803 – On 27 June 1803, Wm. C. Bugg of Fluvanna County sold to **William Kidd of Buckingham County** a female slave Judy for \$300 current money of Virginia. Witnesses to this deed were Jno. Napier and Woodson Bugg.³³¹
- On the same date, William C. Bugg of Fluvanna County sold to **William Kidd of Buckingham County** a second female slave Lucy for \$100. J. Timberlake Jr. and Jno. Napier witnessed this deed.³³²

[Note: William C. Bugg was the father of William Kidd's wife Nancy O. Bugg.]

- 1804 – On 13 March 1804, William C. Bugg of Fluvanna County, in order to secure debts, entered into a deed of trust with **William Kidd of Buckingham County**, using some household furniture and a mare horse as collateral. Both men signed this deed of trust, in the presence of John Hunt Jr., Charles Parry and Ambrose Stodgell.

Fluvanna County May Court 1804. On the motion of **William Kidd**, a witness for Walter Irvine against Eli Noell Junior, It is ordered that the said Walter Irvine pay him \$4.45 for two days attendance at this Court and twice coming nineteen miles from Buckingham County and returning and for Ferriages across the James River, as the Law directs.³³³

³²⁸ Accessed on Ancestry.com. 1820 U.S. Census New Canton, Buckingham, Virginia; Page: 151; NARA Roll: M33_132; Image: 135

³²⁹ He'd have been at least twenty-one years old in November 1802, when he married Nancy O. Bugg.

³³⁰ Fluvanna County, VA Marriages, 1783-1809, page 22, retrieved from FHL #850090, image 29 via familysearch.org. This is a typed transcription of the original marriage register pages.

The original Fluvanna County Marriage register image of this marriage may be seen on FHL #31689, image 202, line 21, via familysearch.org. This record explicitly names her parents.

³³¹ Fluvanna County, VA Deed Book 4, page 200, retrieved from FHL #31468, image 112 via familysearch.org.

³³² Ibid, page 201, image 112

³³³ FHL #31478, Item 1, Fluvanna County Order Book, January 1804 – July 1807, p. 59.

Fluvanna County May Court 1804. On the motion of **William Kidd**, a witness for Walter Irvine against Eli Noell Junior, It is ordered that the said Walter Irvine pay him fifty-three cents for one days attendance at this Court, as the Law directs.³³⁴ This was evidently for testimony on a subsequent day of the same term, therefore not involving travel expenses.

Fluvanna County August Court 1804. On the motion of **William Kidd**, a witness for Walter John Anderson against James Moss, It is ordered that the said John Anderson pay him \$3.27 for three days attendance at this Court and coming nineteen miles from Buckingham County and returning and for Ferriages across the James River, as the Law directs.³³⁵

Fluvanna County November Court 1804. On the motion of **William Kidd**, a witness for Walter Irvine against Eli Noell Junior, It is ordered that the said Walter Irvine pay him \$2.74 for two days' attendance at this Court and twice coming nineteen miles from Buckingham County and returning and for Ferriages across the James River, as the Law directs.³³⁶

1807 – On 26 January 1807. **William Kidd** and Nancy his wife of Buckingham County sold to Ambrose Stodgell, for \$120, a parcel of land in Fluvanna County on both sides of Great Brems Creek, containing 51¾ acres, adjoining the lands of Woodfin, the widow Creasy and the widow Bugg. Both William and Nancy signed this deed. Witnesses included Finch Scruggs, Hawkins Kirby, and Salley Stodgell (who signed with an X). This deed was acknowledged in Fluvanna Court by William Kidd on 28 September 1807 and ordered to be recorded.³³⁷ This land may have belonged to the Bugg family of William's wife Nancy.

September Court 1807. An Indenture of Bargain and Sale between **William Kidd** of the one part and Nancy his wife of the one part and Ambrose Stodgell of the other part was acknowledged by the said **William Kidd** and ordered to be recorded.³³⁸

[Note: Ambrose Stodgell's daughter Susan P. Stodgell married Shadrack Kidd in Fluvanna County in 1830.]

³³⁴ FHL #31478, Item 1, Fluvanna County Order Book, January 1804 – July 1807, p. 65.

³³⁵ Ibid., p. 104.

³³⁶ Ibid., p. 141.

³³⁷ FHL #31468, item 2, Fluvanna Deed Book 5, pp. 37-38 (images 380-381). Scanned images available in the Fluvanna Deeds subfolder on Dropbox.

³³⁸ FHL #31478, Item 2, Fluvanna County Order Book, August 1807 – October 1811, p. 33, image 422.

APPENDIX ONE: SOURCES USED IN THE CREATION OF THIS DOCUMENT

The following sources of genealogical and historical information on Buckingham County have been identified, using the web sites for the LDS library, the Library of Virginia, and WorldCat. Those with black text have been reviewed and abstracted, and all Kidd entries in them have been added to this document; those in **bold font** have yet to be reviewed and mined for Kidd entries.

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APPENDIX TWO: CENTRAL VIRGINIA DESCENDANTS OF THOMAS1 KIDD OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY, VA

The Kidd who is believed to be our immigrant ancestor is **Thomas1 Kidd**, who was in the colony of Virginia by 1646. This Thomas Kidd settled in Middlesex County on the Dragon Run, near present-day Church View, Virginia. He and his wife **Jane** (maiden name unproven, despite claims to the contrary) had five children, only two of them sons who could carry on the surname of Kidd.

These sons were **Thomas Kidd, Jr.**, and **William Kidd**. By the terms of their father's will written and proven in 1680, Thomas Jr., as the oldest son, inherited the family's Middlesex County land, while William had the right to live on part of the land until Thomas Sr.'s death, when it reverted to Thomas Jr. and his descendants.

When William Kidd, William's wife Margaret, and Thomas Kidd, Jr., all died within months of each other in spring and summer 1727, their children, ranging in age from 6 to 35, became orphans. (Alice Trigg Kidd, Thomas Jr.'s wife, previously had died in 1720.) This set in motion the eventual westward migration of several of **William and Margaret Kidd's children**, who had been left landless in Middlesex County after their parents' deaths.

Their oldest and youngest sons—**William**, who married Elizabeth Thurston, and **Benjamin**, who married Judith Chowning—stayed in Middlesex County (with some of Benjamin's descendants later migrating to Amelia County, Virginia). Daughters **Agatha**, who may have married Edward Southern, and **Jane**, who married John Gregory, also stayed in the Middlesex County area. Sons **Joseph** and **Samuel** died as children; a daughter **Catherine** also may have died as a child.

Six sons of William and Margaret Kidd – Robert, Duel, Moses, John, Aaron, and James, and one daughter Margaret, who married John Southern – moved westward from Middlesex County and principally settled in central Virginia by the 1750s, in the present-day counties of Goochland, Albemarle, Amherst, Buckingham, Fluvanna, and Nelson Counties.

1. **Margaret Kidd**, born in 1702, married **John Southern** in 1720 in Middlesex County. This couple appears in central Virginia records in 1743, and Margaret's brothers may have followed them to the area. Margaret and John Southern settled on Bear Garden Creek in Albemarle County, in the part that later became Buckingham County. Margaret Kidd and John Southern were the parents of **sons William, James, and Samuel** (each of whom were deeded land by their father in 1755), **Joseph and Benjamin**, and **daughters Susanna, Margaret, and Averilla**.
2. **Robert Kidd**, born in 1703, appears in Goochland, Henrico, and Albemarle County records, then is not found in Albemarle County or elsewhere in Virginia records after 1747. He had land surveyed on the Hardware River, but apparently did not occupy the land. **No records naming a wife or children for Robert Kidd have been found. If he had children, they likely were born before 1746.**
3. **Moses Kidd**, born in 1707, married **Dorothy** (maiden name unknown). They had one known **daughter Martha**, born in 1739 in Middlesex County. Moses Kidd apparently disappears from Virginia records after 1753, when he and a son (unnamed, but likely at least 14 and so born by 1738) are cited as survey chain carriers for landowner William Beverly in Beverly Park Manor in King and Queen County. Whether Moses Kidd left King and Queen County is not known, nor do we know the name of his **son who was born no later than 1738**. While it is likely that

Moses had other children born in the mid-1700s, few clues have been found to determine their identities.

4. **John Kidd**, born in 1708, married **Ruth Parish**/Farish, the daughter of Henry Parish of Goochland County, by 1749. Given John's age at the time of this marriage, he may have been married previously, but no documentation of a first wife has been found. John Kidd owned land on the Rivanna River near the land of his brother Aaron. John Kidd died in 1785; his 1785 Albemarle County will names three sons - **William, John Norman, and James** - and no daughters. (If John Kidd had any daughters, their names are not known.) These three sons and their descendants left records in Albemarle, Amherst, and Nelson Counties.
5. **Duel Kidd**, born in 1711, died between Nov 1804 and Sept 1805, as recorded in Albemarle County's Overseers of the Poor records. Duel was a poor individual, at least near the end of his long life, who was supported by the parish and then by the county. There is no record of his ever owning land. His only known wife was the widow **Mary Sorrow**, whom he married in Middlesex County in 1736, with whom he had at least two children, **James born 1737 and Margaret born 1739**, both in Middlesex County. He had at least one additional known son **Duel**, who appears in his household named as "son Duel" on the Albemarle County personal property tax lists in 1792-1793. (Note: Due to his age, this son Duel Kidd likely would have had an unknown mother, possibly a younger second wife to Duel.) It is possible that the elder Duel Kidd may have been the father or grandfather of three adult Kidd men who lived in the same area of Albemarle County: Charles, who died in 1856 (wife unknown), Joseph, who married Ann (Nancy) Johnson in 1795, and Pleasant, who married Sarah Farrell in 1802. Further study of the Kidd men who lived in proximity to Duel Kidd in southern Albemarle County may yield more clues about his descendants.
6. **Aaron Kidd**, born in 1714, married **Susannah** (maiden name not known). Aaron Kidd patented land on Roundabout Creek of the Rivanna River, an area that became part of Fluvanna County in 1777. Aaron Kidd died in 1776; his Albemarle County will, written in 1775 and proven in 1776, names **three sons William, Benjamin, and Samuel, and four daughters Mildred/Milly (married James Baltimore), Mary (married John Davis), Sarah/Sally (married Charles Clements), and Ann (married Thomas Elliott)**. A subsequent chancery suit in Fluvanna County over the estate of Aaron's son Samuel Kidd confirms the names of Aaron and Susannah's children and many of their grandchildren. Aaron and Susannah's sons Benjamin and Samuel lived in the area of Fluvanna County formed from Albemarle County; their son William moved to southwest Virginia after his father's death, settling in Tazewell County.
7. **James Kidd**, born in 1716, married 1st **Eliza** (maiden name not known), who appears as his wife in a deed recorded in Caroline County in 1750, and who likely was the mother of his older children. James married 2nd **Mourning Parish**/Farish, the daughter of Henry Parish of Goochland County, by 1755 (and sister to Ruth Parish, who married John Kidd); she was the mother of his younger children. James Kidd patented land on the north side of and adjoining the Slate River, in what is now Buckingham County. From a chancery suit contesting the will of Moses Kidd, who died childless in 1798, that was recorded in Prince Edward County, Virginia, we have reconstructed the probable family of James Kidd, who likely died ca 1789/1790: **sons Moses, John, William, and Benjamin, and daughters Sarah (married James Boatwright), Dicey (married Richard Falwell), Susanna (married an unknown Quarles), Judith (married James Quarles), Martha (married Reuben Southern), and Nancy (married a Smith, possibly Platt Smith)**.

Records for the children of William and Margaret Kidd who settled in the central Virginia region can be found in Middlesex, Essex, Caroline, King and Queen, Henrico, Goochland, Albemarle, Amherst, Buckingham, Fluvanna, and Nelson Counties, Virginia.

Research in the central Virginia region in the mid to late 1700s and early 1800s primarily is built on legal records – land, court, and tax records. While eastern Virginia church parishes kept more vital records—birth, marriage, and death – very few such records are found as families moved westward into Virginia. Court records for early Albemarle County are sparse, due to records destruction during the Revolutionary War. In addition, Caroline, King and Queen, and Buckingham Counties are burned record counties, with Buckingham having virtually no records in existence prior to 1869. As an example, only two of the children of William and Margaret Kidd – John Kidd and Aaron Kidd – left wills, and only a handful of their grandchildren who were born outside of Middlesex County have birth or baptismal records.

For these reasons, constructing the families of the children of William Kidd and his wife Margaret who settled in central Virginia remains a work in progress, as we analyze the available records and use the evidence to determine possible family groups, while continuing to search for additional records that may be un-indexed, in courthouse loose papers, or in special collections. The Kidd Y-DNA project, hosted at Family Tree DNA, provides support for our research by identifying genetic relationships among Kidd male descendants who carry Y-DNA, or paternal-line DNA. For more information about the Kidd Y-DNA project, see www.familytreedna.com/groups/Kidd/about or contact **Sandra Kidd**, project co-administrator, at skkidd@bellsouth.net

In addition to our website at www.kiddroots.org , we also maintain an online family tree of the Middlesex County VA Kidds and their descendants. See www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/37652986

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APPENDIX THREE: *KIDD V KIDD* – THE CHANCERY COURT SUIT OVER THE ESTATE OF MOSES KIDD, 1803-1808³⁴⁰

Much of what we know about the life of Moses Kidd comes from this Chancery suit *Kidd v Kidd*, filed in January 1803. After Moses Kidd's death at his Buckingham County home in 1798, his siblings, represented by his brother John Kidd as lead plaintiff, brought a suit in Chancery court against his widow Elizabeth Kidd, contesting legal ownership of his property. In this suit titled *Kidd v Kidd (John Kidd et al v Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd et al)*, the plaintiffs contended that his 1781 will was not Moses' rightful will. Without a valid will, the plaintiffs knew that the property of the childless Moses Kidd would revert to his Kidd relatives, with only a dower portion for his widow Elizabeth. The record of this suit survives only because it was filed in Prince Edward District Court for final disposition and thus ended up filed with Prince Edward County Chancery suits.

Because Buckingham County is a severely burned records county, the fact that this suit survives is remarkable, and is due only to its being sent to a higher court--the Prince Edward District Court of the Superior Court of Richmond--for final disposition. [All Buckingham County court records prior to 1869 were destroyed by fire.] This suit also names the siblings of Moses Kidd, which helped to recreate a large Buckingham County family which we believe to be the family of James Kidd, son of William and Margaret Kidd and grandson of Thomas and Jane Kidd of Middlesex Co VA.

Sandra Kidd "discovered" this wonderfully revealing record in 2011, and abstracted it fully, resulting in the Notes below:

Moses Kidd died on a Sunday before 9 Jul 1798 (when his will was filed in Court) at home near New Canton, Buckingham Co, VA. [land tax records list the land as on Glover Road]

Moses Kidd enlisted in Revolutionary War militia before 17 Jul 1781, at siege of York[town] in fall 1781, per witness testimony

Witnesses testified that, at time will was written, Moses Kidd had land given to him by his father [not named], and after 1781 until his death in 1798, he amassed considerably more land and slaves (land tax records support this: 200 acres originally, increased to 367 acres)

Moses Kidd married **Elizabeth Toney** before 1781, no children, her siblings were John, William, and Charles Toney

Witnesses testified to his children by **Sally Falwell**, either enslaved or a free woman of color: Elisha, Mary, Elizabeth, Dinah, Judith, Sarah, Nancy, John (all born before 1798)

The plaintiffs, representing the family of the deceased Moses Kidd, filed the Chancery suit in 1803 to contest the 1781 will of Moses Kidd, written before he left for militia service in the Revolutionary War, which bequeathed all his estate to his wife Elizabeth. The plaintiffs summoned numerous witnesses to testify that Moses had written the original will in 1781 only to satisfy Elizabeth and had

³⁴⁰ Superior Court of Richmond District (VA), Prince Edward District Court (VA), 1803-1807. Final disposition Sept 1808. See Library of Virginia, Prince Edward County Chancery Causes. File 1808-018: https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

said on more than one occasion in the nearly 20 years since, that he wished to renounce the will and write a new will.

At stake was the significant land (367 acres) and slaves (10 or more) of Moses Kidd. His family knew that if they succeeded in having Moses's 1781 will invalidated, then his widow Elizabeth would receive at most a widow's portion of one-third of the estate, and they would inherit the remainder as his closest relatives since he had no other legal heirs.

To complicate matters, Sally (Sarah) Falwell, said by witnesses to have eight children fathered by Moses Kidd, immediately appealed to the court and produced a second will in 1798, after Moses's death, which left his estate to her children. Represented by her attorney David McCormack, Sarah Falwell's appeal was perhaps somewhat predictably denied by the Court. Her ability to file an appeal before the Court in 18th century Virginia suggests that she was a free woman of color, although she may have been enslaved by Moses Kidd at some point in her life.

The testimony in the case from the many witnesses, which must be considered in light of the perspective of each witness (whether in support of the plaintiffs or the defendants), still provides much vivid detail about life in this small corner of Buckingham County.

Testimony showed that Moses Kidd's relationship with Sarah Falwell was well-known to his neighbors, as was his sometimes dealings with his wife's family, his drinking habits, and his opinion of his own family's ability to manage his estate. He was said to believe that the families of his brother John Kidd and sister Sarah Boatright and her husband James could manage his property better than could his brothers William or Benjamin. He also was said to have declared that he did not want the Toney family to have any of his estate.

Siblings of Moses Kidd (parties to suit named as his brothers and sisters and nephew):

John Kidd, Buckingham Co landowner on Slate River, likely died 1803/1804

Sons: Joseph, Sherwood (both listed in suit)

Other known sons: James, Edmund, Archibald/Archer, Absalom, William, and John (per personal property tax records)

William Kidd, of New Canton, died 1804, smaller landowner near New Canton

Wife: Ann(e) Sons: William Jr., Shadrack, and Robert

Benjamin Kidd (named as party to suit but not on land or personal property tax list for Buckingham except for personal property, 1786) – likely the Benjamin Kidd who moved to Pittsylvania Co VA and then to Surry Co NC. Children [all or most not born in Buckingham Co]: Robert, James, Jesse, Allen, Lucy, and Sarah

Sarah Kidd m James Boatright [Boatwright], son Benjamin was party to suit (may indicate James and/or Sarah were deceased by time of suit in 1803)

Dacey Kidd, m Richard Falwell

Susanna Kidd, m unknown Quarles, widowed by time of suit in 1803

Judith, m James Quarles

Patsy (Martha), m Reuben Southern

Nancy (Anne/Anna), m unknown [possibly Platt] Smith, no husband named in suit and not identified as a widow

Slaves named in Moses's Kidd will, written as of July 1781, filed 9 Sept 1798 (copy of will in Superior Court suit): Nane, Daniel, Frank, Tobe

Slaves named in Elizabeth Kidd will, written 1800 (copy of will in Superior Court suit): Tob, Nancy, Daniel, Porter, Frank, Dave, Anthony, Tom, Abraham, Sarah, Poll

Others named in case:

Jesse Kidd, witness, lived with Moses Kidd in 1788 or 1789, relationship not given [likely Jesse Kidd of Fluvanna Co, who m Nancy Chandler]

David Falwell

James Falwell, said he lived with Moses 3 years, asked "are you a brother of Sarah Falwell?", answered "I believe that I am"

Most witnesses were neighbors, some were deposed twice, and the executor William Wilkinson also later served as a JP on the case.

Witnesses were:

William Wilkinson, executor and co-defendant, and Turner Wilkinson

John Williams and wife Elizabeth

James Cooper

Thomas McCormack and David McCormack

William Jones, tavernkeeper, New Canton

Elizabeth Jones

Samuel Southern and Elizabeth Southern [likely wife to Samuel]

Isham Scruggs and Edward Scruggs [likely overseer of Moses]

William Hansford

Nancy Quarles, Martin Quarles, and William Quarles [likely overseer of Moses]

Col. William Cannon

William P. Bernard

James B. Sadler

William Anderson

William Hall

Johnson Strong

Edward Barber

Henry Flood and John Flood

Buckingham JPs: Daniel Bagby, Boaz Ford, L Bolling, Daniel Guerrant, Peter Guerrant, George Miller, Bolling Branch

Cumberland JPs: James Deane, John Daniel

Testimony taken at New Canton taverns of John Anderson and Benjamin Pollard

Abstracted by Sandra Kidd from Chancery files, Library of Virginia, 2011, reviewed online 2025

APPENDIX FOUR: Was James Kidd of Slate River the Father of Moses Kidd of Buckingham County, Virginia and His Siblings? And Who Was This James Kidd?

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Buckingham County was created in 1761 from Albemarle County. In 1869, a courthouse fire in Buckingham County destroyed nearly all records, making Buckingham among the worst of Virginia's "burned record counties." Only one plat book and wills or documents found in the court records of other locales survived. The loss is even more severe since Buckingham County was formed from Albemarle County in 1761, and the Albemarle courthouse was burned by the British in 1781, destroying many early Albemarle records. Very few pre-1861 county records are available. However, researchers have the Buckingham County Virginia personal property tax lists (PPTLs) and land tax lists (LTLs), because the law required that copies of these annual lists be sent to Richmond every year.

With few surviving records to work with, researchers must extract as much as possible from those records that remain, in an attempt to weave them into a plausible, coherent story that fits with the known facts and that can withstand scrutiny.

This paper represents our efforts to answer the two questions posed in the title (above); in it, we lay out our case for two related hypotheses:

- that the James Kidd who received a patent for 290 acres of land in 1760 in that part of Albemarle County that became Buckingham County in 1761 was the father of Moses Kidd of Buckingham and his siblings; and
- that this James Kidd was most likely the James Kidd born on 27 March 1716 in Middlesex County, Virginia to William² Kidd and his wife Margaret.

Of necessity, our reasoning relies on multiple disparate pieces of evidence, some of which may at first seem unrelated. For this reason, we thought it might be useful to provide readers with a synopsis of the main points we address in this paper, in the order that they appear in this document.

1. The 1808 Chancery suit over the estate of Moses Kidd, which survives because it was filed in Superior Court of the District held in Prince Edward County, provides the names of his 3 brothers (John, William and Benjamin) and 5 sisters.
2. Buckingham County PPTL and LTL entries for Moses' brother, William Kidd, name the father of William as James Kidd. Therefore, a James Kidd must have been the father of Moses and his other siblings as well.
3. Two of Moses' brothers (John and William) were also landowners in Buckingham County, near Moses' land.
4. Moses Kidd received his first Buckingham County land from his father (who was not named in the court record).
5. a James Kidd received a patent for 290 acres on the north side of the Slate River in Albemarle County in 1760. This land was in the part of Albemarle County that formed Buckingham County in 1761.
6. Five sons and one daughter of William² Kidd and his wife Margaret also migrated to Albemarle County in the same time frame as this James Kidd.
7. James³ Kidd, the son of William² (Thomas¹) Kidd and his wife, Margaret is the best (if not the only) fit for the known facts about the James Kidd of early Buckingham County.

See the full exposition below for the evidence we've reviewed and analyzed, to reach the conclusion that James³ Kidd, son of William² Kidd, was the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings.

FACTS RELATED TO OUR HYPOTHESIS

In early July 1798, Moses Kidd of Tillotson Parish, Buckingham County, VA, died at his home near New Canton in northeastern Buckingham County. At his death, he owned 367 acres of land on Phelps Creek (also known as Bear Garden Creek) near the community of New Canton.

The years following his death found Moses' siblings – three brothers and six sisters – in court bringing a chancery suit over the rightful ownership of his land, against his widow Elizabeth Toney Kidd and her Toney relatives. Because the case was heard in the Superior Court of the District, which was located in Prince Edward County, VA, before being settled in favor of the defendants the Toney, the papers detailing the suit have survived in the Prince Edward County chancery files. Since Buckingham is a severely burned record county, this is a remarkable piece of fortune for researchers of the Buckingham County Kidds.

At issue in the suit was the will of Moses Kidd, written in 1781 as he was leaving for militia service in the Revolutionary War. This will was presented by his executors (wife Elizabeth, her brother John Toney, and William Wilkinson) on 9 July 1798, the Monday following his death. Moses and Elizabeth were childless, so the inheritance of his large estate, consisting of 367 acres of property and slaves, was clearly a matter of great importance.

The siblings of Moses Kidd, represented initially by his brother John Kidd as the lead plaintiff, contended that the 1781 will was not Moses' rightful will. Without a valid will, the plaintiffs knew that the property of the childless Moses Kidd would revert to his Kidd relatives, with only a dower portion for his widow Elizabeth.

To further complicate matters, some of the numerous witnesses testified in the suit that Moses had written a second will leaving his estate to Sarah (Sally) Falwell, a woman of color with whom he reputedly had at least eight children (named in testimony as Elisha, Mary, Elizabeth, Dinah, Judith, Sarah, Nancy, and John). Although the attorney for Sally Falwell presented the will in her possession immediately following Moses' death, it was quickly tossed out by the court (this was, perhaps, inevitable, given that Sally, though likely free, was a woman of color with little legal standing in 18th century Virginia).

This constellation of events led the siblings of Moses Kidd to sue his widow over his estate in 1803 in the Superior Court of Richmond District, Prince Edward District Court.³⁴¹ **Thanks to this suit, we are able to learn the names of all his surviving siblings.** With this information, we can theorize about the identity of the father of this large Buckingham County, VA family of Kidds.

Brothers of Moses Kidd (named in this Chancery suit)

1. **John**, listed in early records as of Tillotson Parish³⁴², and a large landowner of 324 acres of property on the Slate River in Buckingham County, died by 1804. Known sons: James³⁴³,

³⁴¹ John Kidd et al v Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd et al, Superior Court of Richmond District (VA), Prince Edward District Court (VA), 1803-1807. Final disposition Sept. 1808. See Library of Virginia, Prince Edward County Chancery Causes. File 1808-018. Images of this record are available at this URL: http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/full_case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018#img

³⁴² Tillotson Parish was created in 1757 from St. Anne's Parish in Albemarle County, Virginia. Most if not all of the area comprising Tillotson Parish was in current-day Buckingham County. Buckingham was created in 1758 out of Albemarle and Appomattox counties. For more information, see https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Tillotson_Parish,_Virginia

³⁴³ Listed on the 1790 Buckingham County PPTL as "James, son of John."

Joseph³⁴⁴, Sherwood³⁴⁵, Absalom³⁴⁶, Archibald/Archer³⁴⁷, Edmond³⁴⁸, William³⁴⁹. Another possible son is John (Jr.). Testimony in the suit attested that John and Moses were both prosperous landowners, and that Moses had intended his brother John and family to have his property along with his sister Sarah's family. [pls see Buckingham BD.]

2. **William**, a smaller landowner of 100 acres in Buckingham County near New Canton on Phelps Creek, died by 1807.³⁵⁰ Wife Ann(e). Known sons: William, Jr., Shadrack, and Robert. Another possible son is Henry. Testimony in the suit attested that Moses believed that if his brothers William and Benjamin got his land, they would not know "how to possess it."³⁵¹ This suggests they were not as prosperous as Moses and John. In the years following William's death, at least part of his holdings were subject to a sheriff's sale, which possibly indicated insolvency.³⁵²
3. **Benjamin**, named as a party to the suit and as Moses' brother, so presumably alive in 1803. Benjamin appears once, in 1786, on the personal property tax lists for Buckingham County (with one white tithe) and is not found on the land tax lists.³⁵³

We believe this to be the Benjamin Kidd who is found in Pittsylvania County, VA and Surry County, NC³⁵⁴, and who in his Revolutionary War pension application attested that he was born in Buckingham County in 1752 [*sic*, Buckingham not formed until 1761.]

Known sons are Jesse and Allen Kidd.

Sisters of Moses Kidd

4. **Sarah**, m James Boatright; their son Benjamin Boatwright was named as the second plaintiff in the suit, which suggests that Sarah, and perhaps James, were both deceased by the time of the suit in 1803.
5. **Dacey**, m Richard Falwell

³⁴⁴ Named as a son of John in the Kidd v. Kidd suit

³⁴⁵ Named as a son of John in the Kidd v. Kidd suit; listed as "Archibald, son of John" in 1797 Buckingham County PPTL.

³⁴⁶ listed as "Absalom, son of John" in the 1797 Buckingham County PPTL.

³⁴⁷ listed as "Archibald, son of John" in the 1797 Buckingham County PPTL.

³⁴⁸ On the 1793 Buckingham PPTL tax for John's HH, the initials S, A, and E appear as his white tithables. There is no other given name of Kidd starting with E. Edmond appears in his own HH 1796-1799. We consider this evidence supporting the inclusion of Edmond as one of John's sons.

³⁴⁹ listed as "William, son of John" in the 1799 Buckingham County PPTL.

³⁵⁰ In 1807, his widow, Ann Kidd, first appears on the Buckingham PPTLs, with one WMT and two taxable slaves. She's found on most but not all of the annual PPTLs through 1819, after which she drops from the list. In some years, she pays a tithe for son Robert; in others, either Robert or "William, son of Ann" are listed adjacent to her on the PPTLs. This is evidence that William, son of James died before 1807, despite his continuing to appear on the LTLs through 1813.

³⁵¹ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

³⁵² See William4 Kidd's section of the Buckingham County BD for details.

³⁵³ We believe that he's the Benjamin Kidd who is found on the 1830 and 1840 federal censuses in Surry County, NC, and who applied for a Rev. War pension from there in 1845, in which he states that he was born in Buckingham County, VA in 1752. This Benjamin was dead by 1852, and probably by 1850, since he's not found on the 1850 Surry County, NC census that year.

³⁵⁴ See Benjamin Kidd's section of the Buckingham County BD for details and specific citations.

6. **Susanna**, m unknown Quarles, widowed by time of suit in 1803.³⁵⁵
7. **Judith**, m James Quarles³⁵⁶
8. **Patsy (Martha)**, m Reuben Southern. The Southern family intermarried with the Kidds; Margaret Kidd, daughter of William2 and Margaret Kidd, married John Southern and they were part of the Kidd family migration to central Virginia, where they owned land on Bear Garden Creek. Reuben is believed to be the son of John and Margaret Southern. This family moved to Stokes County, NC, where Reuben and Patsy Southern sold land in Stokes County in 1828 to Peter Hairston.³⁵⁷
9. **Nancy**, m unknown Smith, no husband named in suit and not identified as a widow. It is possible that this is the Anna Kidd who married Platt Smith in 1790 in Buckingham County.³⁵⁸

While rich in detail about the life of Moses Kidd, the 1803 suit, *Kidd v Kidd*, names neither father nor mother of Moses and his siblings--but it does provide important clues that help us to determine the possible identity of the father of these Kidds.

Among the testimony of the witnesses was a deposition made on 3 July 1804 by Moses' estate executor William Wilkinson that Moses received 200 acres from his father and later added significantly to his initial land holdings.³⁵⁹ See Figure below:

... did the property then willed come by his wife? Answer, No. - Question by the same, did Moses Kidd buy the land conveyed by that will, and did he not buy land after that will was made? Answer, The land owned by Moses Kidd when the will was made, was given him by his father, and Moses Kidd purchased the balance of the tract now in the possession of Mrs Kidd, since said will was made. -
 William Wilkinson
 Sworn to before us at - house of Benjamin Pollard in the Town of New Canton 3rd July 1804.

FIGURE: Statement of Moses Kidd's executor William Wilkinson, made on 3 July 1804, regarding the source of Moses Kidd's land in Buckingham County. Unfortunately for us, it does

³⁵⁵ She is likely the Susanna Quarles on the federal census in Buckingham County on the 1810 census: Susannah Quarls - 1M 26-44; 2F 16-25, 2 26-44 & 1 45 and older. No slaves. Next door is a William Quarls, age 26-44, with his family. I don't find her after 1810. Judging from her age on this census, Susanna was born by 1775, perhaps considerably earlier.

³⁵⁶ On federal census in Buckingham County, VA in 1810 - Judith Quarls 2M<10, 1 10-15; 2F<10, 2 10-15, 1 16-25, 2F 45 & older, no slaves. Thus Judith too would have been born prior to 1775, perhaps much earlier. Not found in Buckingham in 1820 or later.

³⁵⁷ Stokes County, NC Deed Book 9, p 257.

³⁵⁸ On 15 December 1790, Baptist minister Rev. Rene Chastain Jr. solemnized the marriage of **Anna Kidd** to Platt Smith, per Chastain's personal papers ("Diary of Rev. Rene Chastain Jr.," *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, p 48). This same minister performed the 1785 marriage of Dicey Kidd to William Goss; the 1786 marriages of Absolom Kidd to Lettice Owen and of Mary Kidd to John Walker; the 1789 marriage of James Kidd to Elizabeth Meglason; and the 1793 marriage of James Kidd to Elizabeth Baltimar (*Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, volume 30, pp. 247-251).

³⁵⁹ Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018, image 12 of 19 at URL below. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018

not name Moses' father. But it does confirm that Moses Kidd's father was a landowner in Buckingham County.

The Location and proximity of Kidd lands on the Slate River and Bear Garden Creek

Below is a facsimile of an 1807 map of Buckingham County:

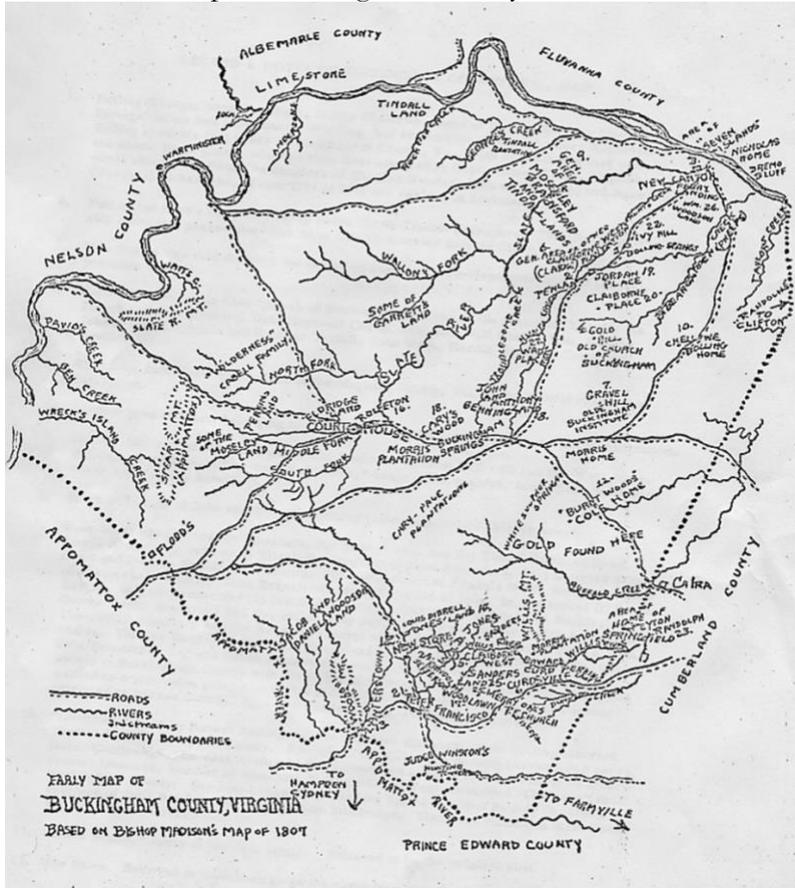


FIGURE: Early map of Buckingham County, showing its waterways, and its borders with neighboring counties. See next page for an enlargement of the NE portion of the county.

It is possible to determine through Buckingham County land tax records the approximate location of the lands of Moses Kidd, and the proximity of the land of his known Kidd siblings, as well as the land belonging to James3 Kidd. The parcels that are of interest here are in the north-eastern portion of Buckingham County. See Figure below:

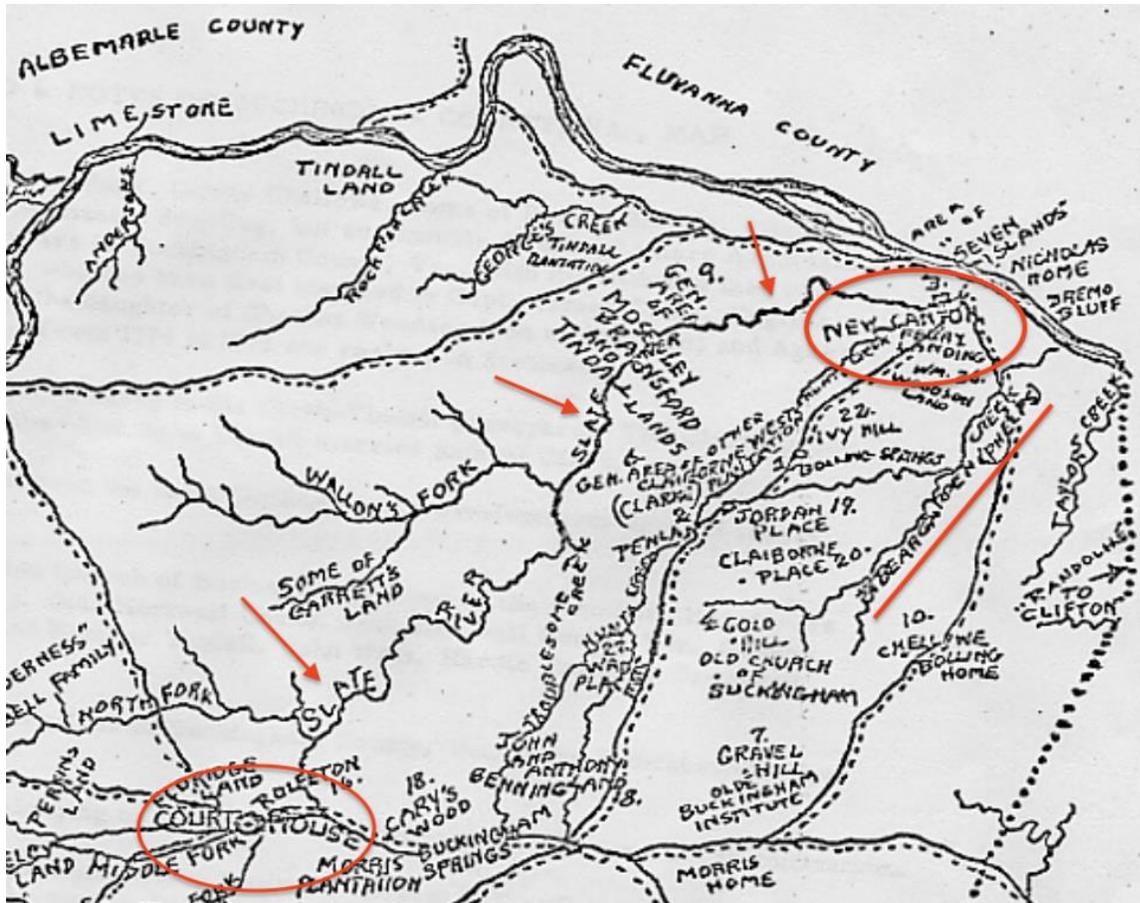


FIGURE: Cropped image of the previous Figure, showing the NE area of Buckingham County. The community of New Canton is in the upper right of this image, within the oval. The County Courthouse is marked by the oval in the lower left corner. Bear Garden (Phelps) Creek is underlined with the diagonal line below New Canton. And the Slate River is denoted by the red arrows. Using a USGS map, the distance between Buckingham Courthouse and New Canton is 19.7 miles “as the crow flies.” It would have been farther by the roads of the day.

In the land tax list descriptions, Moses’ land was consistently noted as lying on Glover Road and on Phelps Creek (also known as Bear Garden Creek), 23 miles east of the Courthouse, near New Canton. John’s land was noted as lying on the Slate River. William’s land was also on Phelps Creek, and near New Canton. Furthermore, William’s widow Ann was noted as living near the land of the deceased Moses Kidd, and later William and Ann’s sons Shadrack and Robert had possession of 70 acres of the Moses Kidd estate, which they sold in 1824 to F.B. Dean.³⁶⁰

William and John are very popular American names, and the Kidd family in 18th and 19th century Buckingham County was no exception. When men of the same name appeared on the tax lists, the tax collector often noted additional family information or geographic location, in order to identify

³⁶⁰ We have personally reviewed the extant Buckingham County Land Tax Books from their inception in 1782 through 1863, found on FHL microfilms #29901 (1782-1803), #29902 (1804-1807, 1809-1819, #29903 (1820-1831), #29904 (1832-1835), #29905 (1836-1844), #29906 (1845-1850), #29907 (1851-1858), and #29908 (1859-1863). Digital images of some of these entries are available upon request from the authors.

which man was being taxed. In this case, William of New Canton, a landowner with 100 acres, was noted consistently on the tax lists as “son of James.”³⁶¹

We know from this descriptor, then, that James Kidd is the father of William Kidd of Phelps Creek, also known as Bear Garden Creek, near New Canton. Since the *Kidd v Kidd* suit identifies William along with John and Benjamin as brothers of Moses Kidd, it stands to reason that this James Kidd is the patriarch of this Buckingham County VA family.

Given that Moses and Benjamin both served in the Revolutionary War—and that Benjamin stated in his RW pension application that his date of birth was 1752—a man old enough to be their father would most likely have been born by 1720. The Kidd men found in central Virginia who are old enough to fit this date parameter are all believed to be sons of William² and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County, VA, six of whom migrated out of Middlesex in the years following the 1727 deaths of both their parents. One of the six sons who left Middlesex County was James Kidd.

In 1760, James Kidd received a land patent in Albemarle County, for the sum of 30 shillings, for 290 acres on the north side of and joining the Slate River, adjoining the land of Edward Kersie.³⁶² This land was in the part of Albemarle that became Buckingham County soon thereafter, in 1761.

Also acquiring land in Albemarle County were James’s brothers, Robert, Aaron and John Kidd. The first Kidd land reference found in Albemarle County was in 1746, when a survey dated 13 Oct 1746 was made for Robert Kidd, for 200 acres on both sides of the Hardware River.³⁶³ However, Robert Kidd likely did not retain possession of this land, since a note on the plat reads “Kidd insolvent.”³⁶⁴

Aaron and John Kidd’s tracts were further north on the Rivanna River, at Roundabout Creek.

Aaron Kidd patented an 80-acre tract in 1763 on the Roundabout Creek.³⁶⁵ John Kidd was named in several deeds (1752,³⁶⁶ 1756,³⁶⁷ 1760,³⁶⁸ and 1761³⁶⁹) as a landowner or neighboring landowner in Albemarle County.³⁷⁰

Also in this area were John Southern and his wife Margaret Kidd, the daughter of William and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County. In 1749, John Southern purchased from William Webb a tract of 325 acres, lying on Bear Garden Creek, later known as Phelps Creek.³⁷¹

³⁶¹ Ibid. See this William’s section of this document for specifics.

³⁶² James Kidd, grantee, Virginia Land Office Patents database, online at Library of Virginia, Land Office Patents No. 34, 1756-1765, p. 710 (reel 33-34). See Albemarle County source documents for image scan.

³⁶³ *Land lying in the county of Albemarle : Albemarle County, Virginia surveyor's plat books, volumes 1, part land 2, and volume 2, 1744-1853, [and 1892]*, by Eric G. Grundset, Fairfax, Va. : E.G. Grundset, 1998, p. 9, citing Survey Book 1, p. 29, abstracted by C Kilby 2007]. Images of this page, and of Robert Kidd’s individual survey may be found in the Albemarle Source Documents folder on Dropbox.

³⁶⁴ Also cited in *The Deeds of Amherst County, Virginia, 1761-1807 and Albemarle County, Virginia, 1748-1763*, by The Rev. Bailey Fulton Davis, Southern Historical Press, 1979, pp. 2-3., citing Order Book 1744-1777, p. 290.

³⁶⁵ Aaron Kidd, grantee, Virginia Land Office Patents database, online at Library of Virginia, Land Office Patents No. 35, 1762-1764 (v.1 & 2 p.1-556), p. 434 (Reel 35). Scanned image in Albemarle County source documents folder.

³⁶⁶ *Land lying in the county of Albemarle : Albemarle County, Virginia surveyor's plat books, volumes 1, part land 2, and volume 2, 1744-1853, [and 1892]*, by Eric G. Grundset, Fairfax, Va. : E.G. Grundset, 1998, p. 49, citing Survey Book 1, [part 1?], p. 215, abstracted by C Kilby 2007].

³⁶⁷ Ibid., p. 82, citing Survey Book 1, part 2, p. 22. Images of this plats page and of John Kidd’s survey are available upon request.

³⁶⁸ Ibid., p. 87, citing Survey Book 1, p. 42, abstracted by C Kilby 2007]. Images of this plats page and of John Kidd’s survey are available upon request.

³⁶⁹ William Melton, grantee, Virginia Land Office Patents database, online at Library of Virginia, Land Office Patents No. 34, 1756-1765, p. 803 (Reel 33-34). Scanned image in Albemarle County source documents.

³⁷⁰ See their entries in the Albemarle BD for more information.

³⁷¹ *Deed and Will Abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia (1748-1752)*, compiled by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean VA, 1990, p. 51.

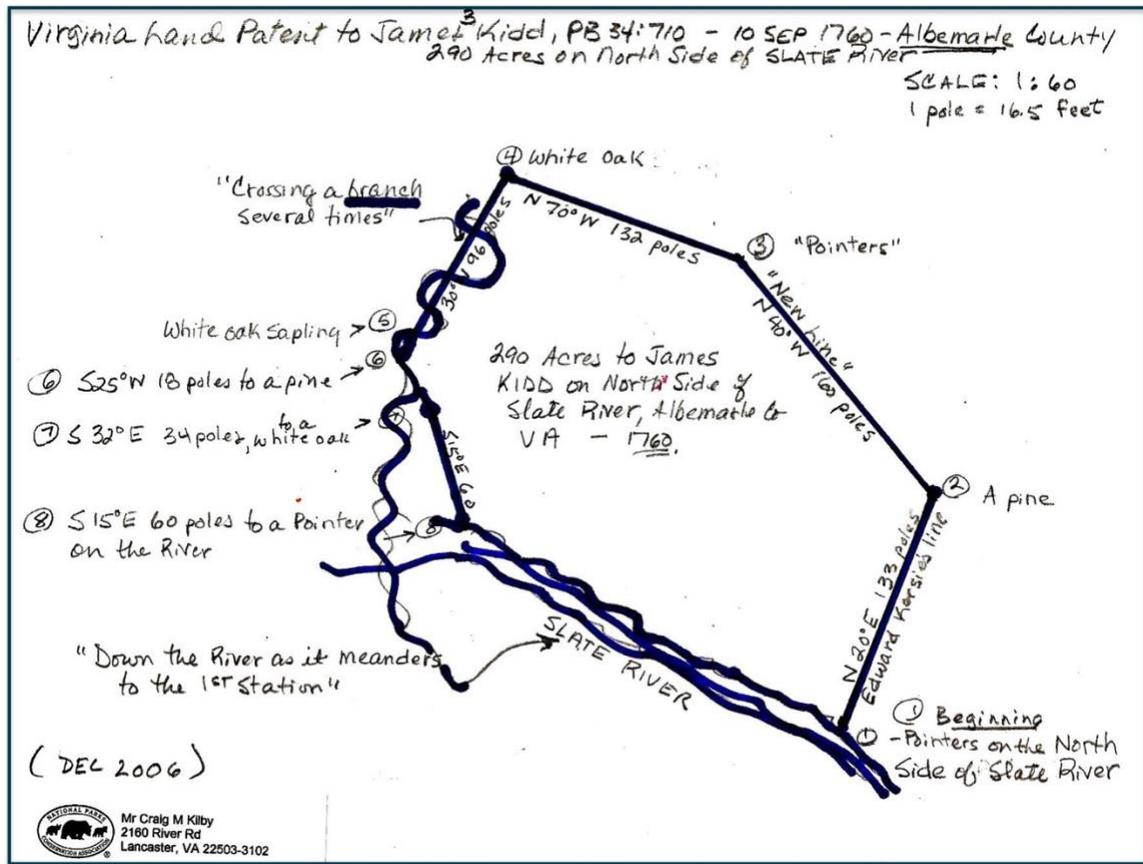


FIGURE: Land plat of James Kidd, 1760, Albemarle County, drawn by Craig Kilby, researcher, Lancaster County, VA

The Slate River runs across Buckingham County from southwest to northeast, where it flows into the James River near New Canton.

Moses Kidd's land was on Glovers Road and Phelps Creek (formerly known as Bear Garden Creek), 23 miles east of the Courthouse, according to the annual Land Tax List descriptions. This location is just south of New Canton, on the south side of the James River.

Moses' brother John Kidd died with 324 acres on the Slate River by 1803/1804. His land was listed for nearly a decade under the name of his son Joseph Kidd before dropping from the land tax lists in 1812.³⁷²

Moses' brother William Kidd: there were several men by this name in Buckingham County records, and three were land owners. One of them, listed in the LTLs and PPTLs as "William, son of James," owned 100 acres in 1782; its location was given as on Phelps Creek, near New Canton & 25 miles east of the courthouse. Starting in 1814, the 100 acres is listed as Estate of William Kidd. The estate continues through 1846, when the last of the acreage has been sold, apparently by Shadrack Kidd (William's son) in 1844. The land is subject to several sheriff's sales, which may indicate insolvency of the estate.

Also supporting this relationship is that in 1834, Shadrack and Robert Kidd sold 70 acres of the Moses Kidd estate to F.B. [Francis] Dean. [footnote LTLs and suit]

The other two William Kidds who were landowners weren't proximate to Moses. One, named in the Buckingham LTLs as "William Sr.," owned 190 acres from 1787-1803, after which he drops

³⁷² See his section in the Buckingham County BD for full details.

from the LTLs in 1804. A second William Kidd, listed as "William, son of John" in the LTLs, is likely the nephew of William Kidd of New Canton and first appears with land (60 acres) in Buckingham County in 1806. His land was described as "on the Slate River, 20 miles NE of the courthouse.

We find no land in Buckingham County in the name of Benjamin Kidd.

CONCLUSION ONE:

We believe that the above constellation of records make it highly probable that the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings was the James Kidd who in 1760 patented land on the Slate River, in proximity to these other Kidds.

Identifying James Kidd of early Buckingham County

Having made the case that the James Kidd who patented 290 acres of land on the Slate River is the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings, we turn to the next question: what is the identity of this James Kidd?

We believe that this James Kidd is likely James Kidd, son of William² and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County, VA.

Supporting evidence for this theory:

1. A man old enough to be the father of children born in the early 1750s would likely have been born by 1720 in this era.
James Kidd, son of William and Margaret, was baptized 28 Apr 1716 in Christ Church Parish in Middlesex County, VA.
2. Six of William² and Margaret Kidd's sons—Robert, John, James, Aaron, Duel, and Moses—and one daughter Margaret Kidd Southern, wife of John Southern, have been indentified in central Virginia records, confirming their migration from Middlesex County to central Virginia by the mid-1700s.
3. There is a connection between the Parish family of Goochland County and James Kidd and John Kidd. By 1755, according to the records kept by Rev. William Douglas, this James Kidd had married Morning Parish, daughter of Henry Parish.³⁷³ At least six years earlier, James' brother John Kidd had married Ruth Parish, daughter of Henry Parish and sister to Morning. The Parish connection is a useful clue to identifying this James Kidd and tying him to John Kidd, son of William² Kidd of Middlesex County.
4. Three of the daughters of James Kidd and Morning Parish are listed in Rev. William Douglas's register of marriages and births. Dicea Kidd, daughter of James Kidd [published as Kill] and Morning Parish, was born 6 Aug 1756 and baptized 5 Sept 1756.³⁷⁴ Mary Kidd, daughter of James Kidd [published as Caid] and Morning Parish, was born 11 Jan 1759 and baptized 18 Feb 1759.³⁷⁵ Sally Kidd, daughter of James Kidd and Morning Parish, was born 3 Feb 1761 and was baptized 29 Mar 1761.³⁷⁶

Two of these daughters – Dicea/Dicey and Sarah/Sally – also appear in the list of siblings of

³⁷³ *The Douglas Register*, pp. 30, 80, citing p. 2 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

³⁷⁴ *The Douglas Register*, p. 167, citing p. 49 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

³⁷⁵ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 54 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

³⁷⁶ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 59 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

Moses Kidd given in the suit *Kidd v Kidd* in Buckingham County, VA (1803). Dicey Kidd was listed as the wife of Richard Falwell, and Sarah as the wife of James Boatwright.

5. The absence of any other known James Kidd in central Virginia records during the mid—1700s. **Our reasonably exhaustive search has not found evidence of any other James Kidd, born by 1716, anywhere in Virginia. There is no other James Kidd to consider as an alternative suspect.**

All records found to date indicate that all the Kidds in eastern or central Virginia prior to 1760 are by definition the descendants of Thomas1 Kidd of Middlesex County. No records have been found to indicate the presence of another unrelated branch of Kidds.

Thomas1 Kidd had two sons, Thomas2 and William2 Kidd.

Thomas2 had five known sons, and none of them were named James Kidd.

Thomas2's first son, Thomas3, had two known sons. Neither was named James, and both were born after 1716.

Thomas2's second son, John3, did have a son named James, born in 1738. This James Kidd could not have been the father of Moses, who was likely born by 1743. He lived out his life in Middlesex County where he was a tavern owner in the town of Urbanna and left numerous records in Middlesex County.

Thomas2 Kidd's third son Daniel3 was born abt 1696 and had no known son James; the Essex County men suspected to be his sons were named Henry, Isaac, and William. Thomas2 Kidd's fourth son Henry, born in 1707, was not named in his father's 1727 will and likely died before 1727.

Thomas2 Kidd's fifth son, William was born in 1716, and could not have had a son born before 1730.

William2 Kidd DID have a son named James, born in 1716 in Middlesex County. This James is our top candidate for the father of Moses and his siblings.

What about the other sons of William2 Kidd? Might any of them have sired a son named James, born by 1720 or so, soon enough to have fathered Moses and his siblings. This seems improbable, to say the least. William3, the eldest son of William2, was born circa 1707; his two known sons (William4 and John4) were born in 1729 and 1733 respectively in Middlesex County.

Robert3, William2's second son, was born circa 1703, and would be very unlikely to have fathered a son by 1720. He had no known descendants and disappears from the central Virginia records by 1746.

All eight of William2's other sons were born after 1706, too late to have fathered a son by 1720. Of these sons, only Duel had a known son named James, who was born in 1737 in Middlesex County and so was too young to be the father of Moses Kidd.

By process of elimination, James3 Kidd, son of William2 Kidd, is by far the most likely to be the James Kidd of Slate River in Albemarle/Buckingham County in 1760.

6. Evidence against this theory is that James Kidd, if he were the father of Moses Kidd, was likely married at least a decade before 1755. In 1764, Moses Kidd appears on an early Buckingham County, VA tax list fragment that was found in the records of Prince Edward County. In order for Moses to be old enough in 1764 to be on a tax list, he would have been born by 1743. Did James have a first wife (which seems likely); or was this marriage date an estimated "no later than" marriage date, as were many others in the published version of Rev. William Douglas's register?

7. Other unreconciled evidence is that the Douglas Register includes the 1759 birth/baptism of a Mary as a child of James Kidd and Mourning Parish. There is no Mary or Polly among the siblings of Moses Kidd. It is possible, however, that Mary had died or moved away prior to the *Kidd v Kidd* suit.

Research into the Boatwright, Quarles, and Falwell families – and additional research into the landowners and neighbors of the Kidds who lived near New Canton in Buckingham County – may help to confirm or refute this theory.

CONCLUSION TWO

Based upon the above analysis, the James Kidd who patented 290 acres on the north side of the Slate River in 1760, was James³ Kidd, the son of William² Kidd and his wife Margaret, born in 1716 in Middlesex County.