

**THE KIDDS OF GOOCHLAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA,
1728-1850**

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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 Goochland County, Virginia from the time of its founding in 1728 through 1850.

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.

GOOCHLAND COUNTY and its records

Goochland County was the first county created after the original eight shires of the Virginia Colony, drawn from the western part of the original shire of Henrico in May 1728. At its creation, Goochland was bounded by Henrico County on the east, Prince George County on the south, and Hanover County on the north—and stretched westward to the Blue Ridge Mountains along both sides of the James River, encompassing the present day counties of Albemarle, Amherst, Appomattox, Buckingham, Chesterfield, Cumberland, Fluvanna, Nelson, and Powhatan.

The map below illustrates the initial size and area of Goochland County upon its formation:

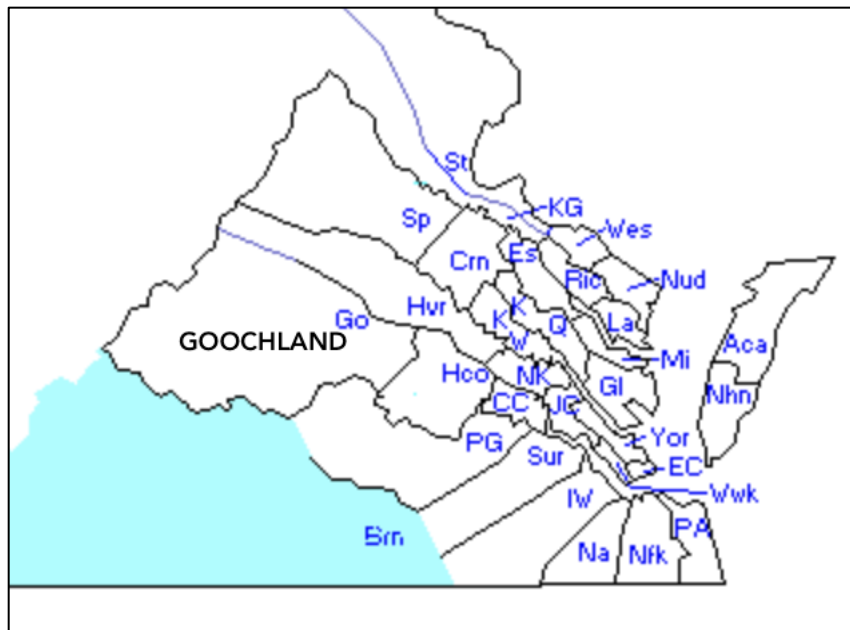


FIGURE 1: Early Goochland County upon its creation in 1728, and the other counties of the Virginia colony at this time. **Note that it included the land that would later become Albemarle, Amherst, Appomattox, Buckingham, Chesterfield, Cumberland, Fluvanna, Nelson, and Powhatan Counties.**

In 1744 Albemarle was formed from the western part of Goochland and in 1749 Cumberland was formed from the area south of the James River. This set the boundaries of Goochland, although the line between Goochland and Fluvanna was not finally settled until 1785.

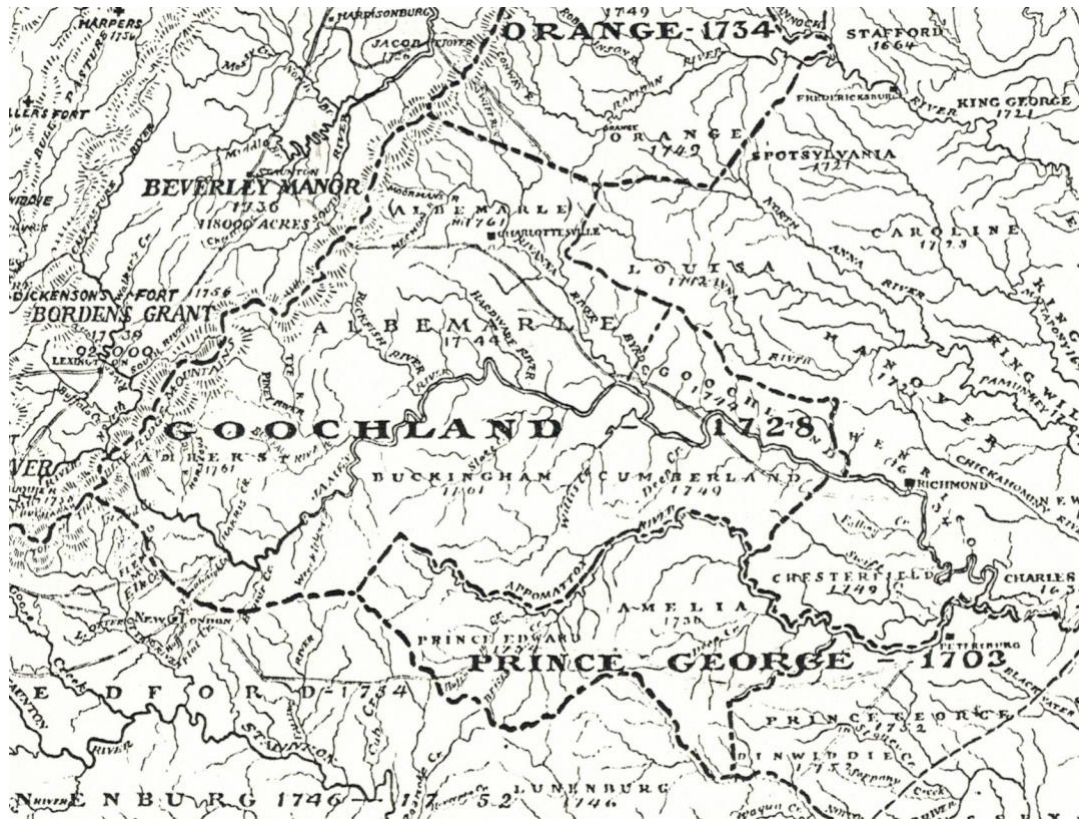


FIGURE 2: GOOCHLAND COUNTY'S boundaries (dark dashed lines) in 1728, and the counties formed from it – Albemarle, 1744 (then Buckingham from Albemarle in 1761, Amherst from Albemarle in 1761 and Fluvanna from Albemarle in 1777); and Cumberland, created from Goochland in 1748.

The web site <https://www.mapofus.org/virginia/> more completely illustrates the changing size and boundaries of Virginia counties over time. It is a bit tricky to use; once the main page opens, **scroll down several screens** to INTERACTIVE MAP OF VIRGINIA COUNTY FORMATION HISTORY.

Use either the Previous or Next buttons above the schematic map to scroll over time, or choose a specific year from the Table of Counties, below the schematic map.

Modern-day Goochland County lies along the north side of the James River and is bounded to the east by Henrico County, to the west by Fluvanna, to the south by Cumberland and Powhatan, and to the north by Louisa and Hanover Counties.

Goochland has experienced little records loss, particularly compared to other Virginia counties. Land, deed and probate (contained in deed books) records date from 1728, and marriages from 1730. Order books are available from 1728, though early books are fragmented. There are early

tithables lists and other miscellaneous loose records, from 1728-forward, available at the Library of Virginia.

History of Church of England Parishes: St. James Parish was formed in 1720 from Henrico Parish. In 1744, the Parish was divided into three parts: St. Anne's in the newly formed Albemarle County; St. James Southam on the south side of the James River; and St. James Northam on the north side of the James River. The Vestry Book for St. James Northam Parish, dated to 1744, survives and is held at the Library of Virginia.

In 1757, Tillotson Parish, covering lands south of the James River, was formed along with Amherst Parish from the division of Albemarle's St. Anne's Parish. In 1761, Albemarle County was divided, creating the new counties of Buckingham and Amherst.

This document is a summary of the identified public records from Goochland County related to individuals with the Kidd surname, sorted by their given names. Kidds who appear in Goochland prior to 1744 but not thereafter, are likely to be found in Albemarle or one of the other counties founded from Goochland: Cumberland (formed in 1748); Buckingham (1758); Amherst (1761); Fluvanna (1777); Powhatan (1777); and Nelson (1808). For this reason, we've included records from these counties which likely belong to Goochland County Kidds in this compilation.

Records of Kidd individuals in Goochland are found as early as 1736, when migration west and south from Middlesex County began. They become less frequent in the late 1700s, and are infrequent after 1800.

When two or more individuals shared a given name, we have attempted to differentiate them 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.

SOME TIPS ON USING THIS DOCUMENT

Sources used in the creation of this document are listed in the [APPENDIX](#), found on page 43 and following.

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ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS WORK:

MSX = Middlesex County
= Land Tax List(s)

PPTL(s) = Personal property tax list(s)
SKK = Sandra K. Kidd, one of the authors

LTL(s)

Names in **RED FONT** have been added to the Family Tree that we are constructing on Ancestry.com, that includes all the DOCUMENTED descendants of Thomas1 Kidd of Middlesex County, Virginia.

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.

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; William, James and John 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 GOOCHLAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA!

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

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AARON KIDD, the son of William² Kidd and his wife Margaret (maiden name not known) of Middlesex County VA
Aaron³ (William², Thomas¹) Kidd
Born 8 December 1713, Middlesex County VA; married Susannah (maiden name not known)
Died before March 1776 in Albemarle County VA

1713 – Aaron Kidd was born in Middlesex County VA, where his birth and baptism were recorded in Christ Church Parish: "**Aaron**, son of Wm. and Margt. **Kidd**, born ye 8th of December 1713, baptized ye 24 January 1713/14." ¹

Aaron Kidd left Middlesex County sometime in the years following his parents' 1727 deaths, traveling in the same timeframe and direction as several of his siblings: Robert, John, James, Duel, Moses, and Margaret, who married John Southern.

Records for Aaron Kidd have been found in Caroline, Goochland, Albemarle, and Fluvanna Counties; we have included them all in this compilation.

1747 – By 1747, Aaron Kidd is found in Caroline County records: At a Caroline County court held 15 Aug 1747: A petition of William Hunter, gentleman, against **Aaron Kidd** is dismissed.² His brothers Moses, Duel, and James also appear in Caroline County records.

1749 – **Aaron Kidd** is on the Goochland County tithables list of John Martin with 1 tithable, next to John Kidd (Aaron's brother), also with 1 tithable. Also on this 1749 list is Henry Parish, the father-in-law of John Kidd.³

1750 – **Aaron Kidd** again appears on the Goochland County tithables list of John Martin. John Kidd does not appear in this year. No other records for Aaron Kidd have been found in Goochland County.

1763 -- Aaron Kidd next is found in Albemarle County when he patents land 30 Aug 1763: **Aaron Kidd** land patent for 10 shillings, for a tract in Albemarle County, 80 acres on the north side of the Rivanna River on the Roundabout Creek, bounded by Thomas Applebury's and Henry Martin's lines near the creek and running with Applebury's line to the north, then crossing the creek to William Melton's line, to Miles Cary's line, then rejoining Martin's line.⁴

¹ *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 88.

² Caroline County Virginia Order Book, 1746-1754, p. 41.

³ *Goochland County Tithes, 1735-1747 and 1748-1749*, by A. Jean Larvey, published by author, Springfield MO, 1979, p. 10.

⁴ 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.

[Note: This land lies in present-day Fluvanna County, which was formed in 1777 from Albemarle County.]

- 1775 – The will⁵ of **Aaron Kidd** was written 28 Aug 1775 and proven at Albemarle County March court 1776, detailing bequests of “my worldly estate”:
To “my loving wife Susannah Kidd,” a life estate unless she marries, and if she does, her dowry according to law. “My desire is that all her children live with her, all that do not choose to go from her, to keep the estate together.”
To “my son William Kidd, all my land the other side of the North River [also known as the Rivanna River], where I formerly lived, to him and his heirs forever” [Note: This is Sandra Kidd’s ancestor, who migrated to Tazewell County in southwest Virginia after his father’s death.]
“This tract of land whereon I live to be equally divided between two sons Benjamin and Samuel Kidd to them and their heirs forever. After my wife’s decease, only Samuel Kidd to have the house and improvements.”
To “my daughter Milly Baltimore one cow” [note: Milly/Mildred married Christopher Baltimore.]
“All the rest of my personal estate to be equally divided between my three daughters Mary and Sarah and Annah Kidd” [note: Mary/Polly married a Davis, Sarah/Sally married Charles Clements, and Ann married Thomas Elliott.]
“After my wife Susannah Kidd’s decease,” desire is that neighbor Richard Omohundro and son Benjamin Kidd stand as executors. Witnesses: Stephen Seay, Joseph Bolling, Richard Omohundro. **Aaron Kidd** signed by mark. Proven at Albemarle March Court 1776 by oath of witnesses and ordered to be recorded, John Nicholas, clerk.

- 1777 – Fluvanna County was formed from Albemarle County on 5 May 1777.
Fluvanna County. Bargain and Sale dated 13 Oct 1777: John Kidd and William Kidd of Fluvanna and **Aaron Kidd** of Albemarle to Elias Wills of Fluvanna. £For 30 current money of Virginia, 80 acres patented 30 Aug 1763, lying in Fluvanna beginning at William Martin line and Thomas Appleberry line near Roundabout Creek, running from Appleberry’s line crossing the said creek to Elias Wills’ line to Wilson Miles Cary’s line to Benjamin Martin’s corner. “With all the houses, orchards, plantation and C. thereto belonging.”⁶
Sealed and delivered in the presences of Thomas Appleberry, William Barnett, Benjamin Martin. Signed John Kidd [seal], William Kidd [seal], **Aaron Kidd** [seal]

Fluvanna County, dated 7 May 1778: “Proved to be the act and deed of William Kidd, John Kidd, and **Aaron Kidd**, and by the oath of Thomas Appleberry, Wm Martin, and Benj Martin witnesses these to and admitted to record. Teste: John Cobbs CC”

Note: This is the tract of land patented by Aaron Kidd in 1763 in Albemarle County and is the same tract of land that he bequeathed to his son William Kidd in his 1775 will. However, Aaron Kidd was deceased by 1776, before this deed was filed in 1777, so why this deed bears his name is a mystery. Aaron’s son William Kidd was of legal age, with children of his own, by 1777. The witnesses were neighbors of Aaron Kidd and would have known

⁵ Albemarle County, VA Will Book 2 (1752-1785), pp. 337-338, retrieved from Familysearch.org, FHL #30211, image 179 of 433. Scanned images of this will are available from the authors.

⁶ Fluvanna County, VA DB 1, p. 87: John Kidd and William Kidd to Elias Wills.

he was deceased by 1777. Moreover, in Fluvanna County Deed Book 1, Grantors Index, Aaron Kidd's name does not appear; the index lists John Kidd and William Kidd, Grantors, to Elias Wills, Grantee.

This John Kidd is very likely Aaron's brother John, but why his name is on this deed is also a mystery. One possibility, not proven, is that William Kidd had already left the area and John Kidd was serving as his proxy; William Kidd patented 200 acres in southwest Virginia on a branch of the Bluestone River in 1777.⁷ He died intestate in Tazewell County, VA by 1801. Aaron's sons Benjamin, who died intestate in 1820, and Samuel, who died intestate in 1821, remained in Fluvanna County. The names of all six of Aaron and Susannah Kidd's children, and many of their grandchildren, are given in the Chancery court suit filed in October 1821 in Fluvanna County over Samuel Kidd's estate, titled Charles Clements and wife Sally [late Sally Kidd] *et al* v. Polley Kidd *et al*. Samuel left no direct heirs, and so his property was divided among his living sisters, nieces, nephews, and even some great-nieces and great-nephews.⁸

Note: Susannah Kidd died before 1821, when her son Samuel's estate was probated. Her maiden name is not known, nor is the date or place of Aaron and Susannah's marriage, or the birth dates/places of any of their children.

DICEA KIDD, the daughter of James Kidd and Morning Parish/Farish

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 in St. James Northam Parish.⁹

EDMOND/EDMUND/EDWARD KIDD, the son of John3a Kidd and Rebecca Godbee of Middlesex County. Named in the will of his maternal grandmother Frances Godbee Cheadle written in Goochland County in 1736.

Edmond4 (John 3a, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd.

Born in 1731 in Middlesex County; married 1) Mary [maiden name not known], and by 1771, 2) Ruth [possibly Thurston].

Note: Edmund Kidd is listed as Edmund at the time of his 1731 birth and baptism, as recorded in the Christ Church Parish Middlesex Register. The will of his maternal grandmother Frances Godbee Cheadle, written in Goochland County in 1736, gives his name as Edaward (sic). Because her will states that Edaward is Frances' grandson, and also names her daughter Rebecca and son-in-law John Kidd, it is clear that Edmund Kidd and Edaward Kidd are the same person. Edmund Kidd lived out his life in Middlesex County, and no other record found in Middlesex County names him as Edward or Edaward.

1731 – **Edmund**, son of John and Rebecca **Kidd**, was born 14 July 1731 and baptized 15 August 1731 in Middlesex County VA.¹⁰

1736 – An **Edaward Kidd** is named in the will of his maternal grandmother Frances Godbee Cheadle in 1736 as her grandson:

⁷ *Early Adventurers on the Western Waters*, vol. 2, by Kegley

⁸ https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=065-1823-002

⁹ *The Douglas Register*, p. 167, citing p. 49 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

¹⁰ *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 132.

Will of Frances Cheadle, Goochland County, VA, Will Book 3, Part I, p. 268
Dated 25 September 1736, Proved 19 February 1739/40 ^{11, 12}

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN, I Frances Cheadle of Goochland County and *parrish* of Saint James being in good and in full and perfect sense and memory *doe* ordain this to be my last Will and Testament and for what Worldly goods it has *plest* God to Bess me with all I give as followeth

First I give and bequeath my Sole into the hands of the great Creator that gave it and my Body to the Earth to Receive a decent Christian *Burell*.

First I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Godby one *shillon* [*shilling*]

Item. I give unto my *Granson* John Tuggell One Hundred and fifty *oakres* [acres] of land which I bought of Silvester Profitt unto him and his heirs for ever and one *fether* bed and furniture

Item. I give and bequeath to my *Dartur* Mary Baskitt one Negro fellow named Jack and to her Son in Middlesex [*County*] Henry Tugell a Negro boy named Middlesex and his wife I give unt[o] my *granson* James Tuggell one negro boy named yourop [*Europe*].

I give unt[o] my *Dartur Rebarcker* one negro woman named Jenne. [Note: Rebecca Godbee Kidd, wife of John Kidd, who was the son of Thomas Kidd Jr. The marriage of Rebecca and John was recorded 6 Mar 1720/21 in the Middlesex Christ Church Parish Register (CCPR).]

I give unto my Grand *Darthur* Frances Kidd one negro *garell* [girl] named Marge. [Note: Frances, born 1726, daughter of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

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Item. I give unto my *GranDarthur* Jude Kidd, one feather bed and one *puter* dish an[d] Six *puter* plates. [Note: Judith, born 1722, daughter of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

Item. I give unto my Grand Son John Kidd ten pound[s] Cash and one *puter* dish and Six *puter* plates. [Note: John, born 1734, son of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

And the res [*rest or residue?*] of my estate to be divided to be divide[d] among my grand Children

[Note: Rebecca and John Kidd had two younger children, James (born 1738, CCPR) and Sarah (born 1740, CCPR), who were born after Frances Cheadle's will was written in 1736.

¹¹ Transcription of Will of Frances Cheadle, Goochland County, VA Will Book 3, Part 1, p. 268 by Craig Kilby, from a copy at the Goochland County Circuit Clerk's Office in Goochland VA, April 2007. It is indexed under the spelling of "Chadell" which may give the reader a clue as to how the name was pronounced at that time. Misspellings are shown in italics. Missing or additional text are in brackets.

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No other record has been found for an Edward Kidd in this era, and we believe that the transcription of this will was likely in error, and that this was indeed John and Rebecca Kidd's son, Edmund Kidd.

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And lastly I give and ordain Daniel Baskett and John Kidd to be my Executors of this my last Will and Testament whatsoever. [Note: Baskett and Kidd were sons-in-law of Frances Cheadle]

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 25 day of September in the year of our Lord 1736.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presents of us her Frances + Chadell {Seal}

/s/ James Hoppar, Elizabeth Hoppar (E her mark) mark

/s/ Comfort Sparklock

At a Court held for Goochland County February 19th 1739/40. This Will was Proved by the Oaths of James Hoppar and Elizabeth Hoppar Witnesses thereto to be the Act and Deed of Frances Chadell dec'd which was Ordered to be Recorded.

Most records for this Edmund Kidd are found in Middlesex County, Virginia. See his section in our *Kidds of Middlesex County, Virginia* compilation.

FRANCES KIDD, the daughter of John^{3a} Kidd and Rebecca Godbee of Middlesex County. Born in 1726 in Middlesex County, VA and named in the will of her maternal grandmother Frances Godbee Cheadle written in Goochland County in 1736.

1727 – John and Rebecca's daughter **Frances Kidd** (evidently named after her deceased sister Frances who was born and died in 1726), was baptized 20 August 1727 in Middlesex County.¹³

1736 – **Frances Kidd** is named in the will of her maternal grandmother Frances Godbee Cheadle in 1736 as her granddaughter:

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James3 (William2, Thomas1) Kidd

Born 27 March 1716 in Middlesex County, VA

Married (1) Eliza (maiden name not known)¹⁶ and (2) Morning Parish¹⁷

Likely died in Buckingham County, VA before 1790

See [Appendix Two](#) for our Genealogical Proof Statement regarding this James Kidd as a) the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings, and b) the son of William2 Kidd and his wife Margaret.

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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.¹⁸

1741 – From 1741-1751, James Kidd is found in Caroline County records along with his first wife, Eliza (maiden name unknown): At a Caroline County court held 12 Jun 1741: Walter Chiles, gentleman, and wife Mary acknowledge deed of feeoffment with livery of seizen [term for sale of land] endorsed to **James Kidd**.¹⁹

1749 – At Caroline County Court held 8 Sept 1749: Deed of Robert Prol indented to **James Kidd**. Witnesses: Thos White, James White, John Vaughn.²⁰

1750 – At Caroline County Court held in July 1750: **James Kidd and wife Eliza** acknowledge deed indented to John Cheadle.²¹

At Caroline County Court held 13 July 1750: **James Kidd and wife Eliza** acknowledge deed indented to David Terrell.²²

1751 – At Caroline County Court held 13 Dec 1751: **James Kidd** bringing a petition against John Black, judgment for the plaintiff Kidd.²³

1755 – **James Kid** and Mourning Parish/Farish “both in this parish” were married 19 Oct 1755, in Goochland County, Virginia by the Rev. William Douglas.²⁴ [Note: The dates in the Douglas Register can represent the date by which an event (marriage or birth) had occurred. 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.]

¹⁶ named as the wife of James Kidd in the two Caroline county deeds in 1750 and 1751.

¹⁷ *The Douglas Register*, pp. 30, 80, 109 citing p. 2 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com. His surname is mis-indexed as KILL on Ancestry’s index.

¹⁸ Christ Church Parish Register.

¹⁹ Caroline County VA Order Book 1740-1746, p. 47.

²⁰ Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 45.

²¹ Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 84.

²² Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 84.

²³ Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 54.

²⁴ *The Douglas Register*, pp. 30, 80, 109 citing p. 2 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com. His surname is mis-indexed as KILL on Ancestry’s index.

- 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 in St. James Northam Parish.²⁵
- 1759 – On 11 Jan 1759, Mary Kidd, daughter of **James Kidd** [the published book says Caid, an apparent transcription error] and Morning Parish, was born. She was baptized 18 Feb 1759 by the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.²⁶
- 1760 – On 10 Sept 1760, a **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.²⁷ This land was in the part of Albemarle that became Buckingham County soon thereafter, in 1761.
- 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 in St. James Northam Parish.²⁸
- 1773 – **James Kidd** is listed on the Buckingham County PPTL with one tithable.²⁹ He is not listed in 1774.³⁰ [Note: Except for 1773-1774, no Buckingham County PPTLs exist prior to 1782.]
- 1783, 1787 – **James Kidd** is not listed on the Buckingham County PPTL in 1782, but appears in 1783 and 1787, when he is listed as “duty free by the court” and “exempt from tax.” This exemption is likely due to his age of over 60. He is not listed in 1782, 1784-1786, nor after 1787.
- 1782, 1787-1789 – **James Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County LTLs with 170 acres in 1782 (the first of Buckingham County LTLs), which increases to 209 acres for the years 1787-1789. He disappears from the LTLs in 1790.

Year	Acres	Notations on Land Tax Lists
1782	170	
1783-1786		No LTLs available for these years
1787-1789	209	
1790		James no longer listed; no land alteration noted. ³¹

- 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

²⁵ *The Douglas Register*, p. 167, citing p. 49 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

²⁶ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 54 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

²⁷ 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.

²⁸ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 59 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

²⁹ *Virginia Tithables from Burned Record Counties*, by Robert F. and Isabel B. Woodson, published privately, Richmond VA, 1970, p 65

³⁰ *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co., originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore MD, 1994, p 19

³¹ RK browsed the entire 1790 LTL for parcels of 209 acres, in hopes of learning where James Kidd's land went, but found no parcels of that size. Moreover, none of the entries of this period contained any indication of where an individual's land came from (e.g., "from J. K.", etc.), as did later LTLs.

Delegates, protesting a levy to pay ministers and arguing for the separation of church and state.³²

We believe that this James Kidd died in Buckingham County in 1789 or 1790. For our research hypothesis about his children, see [Appendix Two](#) of this compilation.

JAMES B. KIDD, born by 1774, likely the son of John Kidd

Born abt 1775, place unknown

Married Elizabeth Baltimore, daughter of Christopher Baltimore and Mildred Kidd, in 1793 in Cumberland County VA

1789 – No Kidd is found on the Personal Property Tax Lists for Goochland County from 1782 (the first year for which these records are available) through 1788. In 1789, a **John Kidd** appears on the PPTLs in the Upper District, with 1 WT and 1 horse. His identity and origin are unknown.

1790 – On the Goochland County PPTLs, the household of John Kidd is enumerated with 1 WT and 1 WM 16-21. The younger man is likely **James B. Kidd** (see below)..

1791 – On the 1791 Goochland County PPTL, **John Kidd** has 2 WTs >16, and 1 horse. Written below John's name is **James B. Kidd**. We postulate that this James B. Kidd is John's eldest son, who had become of age by 1790.

1792 – Both John Kidd and James B. Kidd drop from the Goochland County PPTLs in 1792 and do not reappear.

And no John Kidd or James B. Kidd appear on the Cumberland County PPTLs from 1782 through 1844.

We are mystified about the whereabouts of the family of James B. Kidd and his wife, Elizabeth, given the Chancery Court records mentioning them 1805-1816 (below).

1793 – A marriage bond for **James B. Kidd** and Elizabeth Baltimore was issued in Cumberland County, VA on 22 April 1793. The surety was Christopher Baltimore.³³

[Note: Elizabeth Baltimore was the daughter of Christopher Baltimore and Mildred/Milly Kidd, who was the daughter of Aaron and Susannah Kidd of Albemarle County.]

1805 – Christopher Baltimore, the father of Elizabeth Baltimore (above), died intestate in Cumberland County sometime prior to 28 October 1805; on that date, Frederick Jones of Cumberland County was appointed Administrator of the estate of Christopher Baltimore, deceased.³⁴

The following day, the Court appointed Leonard Daniel, Reuben Auston (sic), Drury Woodson, & John Holt, or any three of them as commissioners to lay off & ascertain the dower of Mildred Baltimore in the lands of Christopher Baltimore deceased and to settle the

³² *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> , James Kidd signature p 3

³³ *Marriage Records, 1749-1840, Cumberland County, Virginia*, compiled by Katherine B. Elliott, Southern Historical Press, Easley, SC, 1983, p. 78. The original marriage bond and coversheet are found in *Cumberland County Marriage Bonds, 1789-1811*, retrieved from Library of Virginia microfilm reel 40, via interlibrary loan, Sept. 2023. This record has no index, but the bonds are in rough chronological order, making it easy to find on the microfilm.

³⁴ Cumberland County, VA Court Order Book 3, page 250, retrieved from FHL #30765, image 420 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

accounts of the administrator of the decedent's estate and to make a report thereof to the Court.³⁵

On 29 November 1805, the Sheriff of Cumberland County was ordered by the Court to summon the heirs of Christopher Baltimore, deceased to the Court. The case was initiated by Frederick Jones, administrator of said Baltimore's estate, who was seeking to settle this estate, which consisted of "...some personal estate and a small tract of land..." and that the heirs were "...entitled to the land aforesaid & the Widow to her dower therein." Among the named heirs in this suit were Christopher's widow, Milley (sic) Baltimore, and "**James Kidd and Elizabeth his wife**, who was Elizabeth Baltimore," among others.³⁶

1806 – On 27 February 1806, the Cumberland County Court heard the case of Baltimore's Administrator vs. Baltimore's representatives (in this case, heirs)} In Chancery. On hearing the bill and answer, the Court ruled that the land named in the Bill was not worth a sum equal to \$100 to each representative of the deceased. They ordered and decreed that the commissioners heretofore appointed to settle the accounts of the plaintiff's administration do sell the said lands of Christopher Baltimore, deceased at public sale "...reserving the widow's dower in said land, and that they settle the accounts of the said administration according to the prayer of the bill." The said administrator (Frederick Jones) was appointed to take care of the interest of the two infant defendants (the two minor children of Christopher and Mildred (Kidd) Baltimore ...in order to a final decree.³⁷

1808 – Mildred (Kidd) Baltimore, the widow of Christopher Baltimore, died in Cumberland County, VA sometime before 25 July 1808, the date that her will was proved in Cumberland County, VA Court.

Her brief will, which she signed on 22 October 1807, named daughter Fanny, **grand-daughter Mildred KIDD**,³⁸ sons John, James, Benjamin P and William Baltimore, and grandson George Baltimore. She appointed son Benj. P. Baltimore her executor. She signed this will with an X. One of the witnesses was Frederick Jones, who had served as the administrator of the estate of her husband, Christopher Baltimore.³⁹

1813 – On 27 Sept 1813, the will of Frederick Jones, deceased was exhibited in Cumberland County, proved on the oaths of the witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded. His widow, Lucy, named in the will as his executrix, was approved in that role.⁴⁰

³⁵ Cumberland County, VA Court Order Book 3, page 256, retrieved from FHL #30765, image 4203 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

³⁶ Cumberland County, VA Chancery Court Case 1807-009, viewable online at: https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=049-1807-009

³⁷ Cumberland County, VA Court Order Book 1803-1807, page 301, retrieved from FHL #30765, image 446 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

³⁸ This was Mildred Kidd, the daughter of Mildred's deceased daughter, Elizabeth (Baltimore) Kidd, who married **James B. Kidd**.

³⁹ Cumberland County, VA Will Book Will Book 3, page 407, retrieved from FHL #30739, image 214 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

⁴⁰ Cumberland County, VA Order Book 1811-1815, page 326, retrieved from FHL #30766, image 479, via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).
His Cumberland County, VA Will, signed 14 June 1806 and proved 27 September 1813, may be found in Cumberland County Will Book 4 (1810-1814), page 265, retrieved from FHL #30739, image 372 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

1816 – James Kidd and Elizabeth (Baltimore) Kidd were among the plaintiffs in a Cumberland County, VA Chancery Court Case in 1816.⁴¹ This case record consists primarily of an order from the Court to the County Sheriff, commanding him to summon Lucy Jones, executrix of Frederick Jones, deceased to appear in November Court to answer a bill in Chancery exhibited against her by James B. Baltimore, Wm. Baltimore, Fanny Baltimore, Ann Baltimore, **Elizabeth Baltimore**, sons and daughters of Christopher Baltimore dec'd; **Nathan H. Kidd, Mildred Kidd, Polly Kidd, Elizabeth Kidd, James Kidd, Christopher Kidd, (and) Austin Kidd, sons and daughters of James Kidd who intermarried with Elizabeth Baltimore**, daughter of Christopher Baltimore, dec'd. This case was dismissed, for reasons that are not clear.

We have found no further records for this James B. Kidd or his wife in either Goochland or Cumberland County, VA.

JESSE KIDD, born by 1777, likely the son of John and Mary (maiden name unknown) Kidd, and brother of James B. Kidd of Goochland County, VA

1793 – A Mary Kidd first appears on the Goochland County PPTLs in 1793, listed in the Lower District, with 1 WM 16+ and 1 horse. Written below Mary's name is **Jesse Kidd**. While this does not prove a relationship, she is likely his mother. She does not appear again on the PPTLs in Goochland County, and no Jesse Kidd is identified by name until 1801.

A John Kidd appeared on the Goochland County PPTLs from 1789-1791; in 1790 and 1791, he is taxed for a WM 16-21 in his household (in 1791, this WM is named as James B. Kidd). This John Kidd drops from the PPTLs in 1792. We suspect that Mary Kidd is his widow, that this John Kidd died by 1792, and that James B. Kidd and this Jesse Kidd are brothers.

1801-1810 – The 1800 Goochland PPTLs for the Upper District are too faint to read, and no Kidds appear in the Lower District. In the 1801 PPTL, a name that may be **Jesse Kidd** appears in the Lower District, no Kidds in the Upper District. In 1802, no Kidds appear.

The 1803 and 1804 Goochland PPTLs list **Jesse Kidd** in the Lower District, with 1 WT 16+ and 1 horse.

Jesse Kidd is listed in the Upper District for the years 1805-1810 (no tax was taken statewide in 1808). (It is possible that Jesse has one black tithe in 1805, but the list is very hard to read.)

1810 – **Jessee Kid** appears on the 1810 Goochland County census, with the following household: 1 WM under 10, 1 WM 10-15, 1 WM 26-44, 5 WF under 10, and 1 WF 26-44. No other Kidds appear on this census in Goochland County.

1811-1812 – No Kidds appear on the Goochland PPTLs in 1811-1812.

1813 – **Jesse Kidd** appears once more on the Goochland PPTLs in 1813.

1815-1844 – No Kidds appear 1815-1844. The next Kidd to appear is Madison Kidd in 1846.

⁴¹ Cumberland County, VA Chancery Court Case 1817-008, James B. Baltimore et al vs. Lucy Jones, Executrix of Frederick Jones, deceased, viewable online at:
https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=049-1817-008

We've found no further records for this Jesse Kidd. Specifically, he is not a good match for any of the four Jesse Kidds that left records in Kanawha County, VA.

We do not know what became of this Jesse Kidd.

JOHN KIDD(S) – there are several John Kidds found in Goochland County records that can be traced to their Middlesex County origins:

John3a Kidd, the son of Thomas Kidd and Alice Trigg, who married Rebecca Godbee

John3b Kidd, the son of William and Margaret Kidd, who married Ruth Parish/Farish

John4 Kidd, the son of John3a Kidd and Rebecca Godbee

**JOHN3a KIDD, the son of Thomas2 Kidd and his wife Alice Trigg
John3a (Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd. Born ca 1694⁴² in Middlesex County, VA
Married Rebecca Godbee, the daughter of Frances Godbee Cheadle of Goochland County, VA
Died intestate in Middlesex County, VA by December 1759**

Note: The Kidds also were associated in 1745 and 1750 with the Cheadle family in Caroline County: James Kidd and Eliza his wife acknowledged in court a deed from a John Cheadle in 1750 and a John Cheadle was named as the former road overseer in a road order involving the hands of Duel Kidd in 1745. This may be either John Cheadle, the son of Thomas Cheadle and Frances Godbee, or his uncle John Cheadle, brother of Thomas Cheadle.

1736 – **John Kidd** is named as executor in the Goochland County VA will of his mother-in-law Frances Godbee Cheadle. Frances married 1st Edward Godbee and 2nd Thomas Cheadle, who was deceased by the time she signed her will 25 September 1736. Frances Cheadle's will explicitly names her relationship to her heirs: her son John; her daughters Mary, who married 1st Henry Tuggle Jr. and 2nd Daniel Baskett, and Rebecca, who married **John Kidd**, and her grandchildren:

Will of Frances Cheadle, Goochland County, VA, Will Book 3, Part I, p. 268
Dated 25 September 1736, Proved 19 February 1739/40 ^{43, 44}

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN, I Frances Cheadle of Goochland County and *parrish* of Saint James being in good and in full and perfect sense and memory *doe* ordain this to be my

⁴² Birth year inferred by his serving as witness in 1716 of the will of Daniel Trigg, below.

⁴³ Transcription of Will of Frances Cheadle, Goochland County, VA Will Book 3, Part 1, p. 268 by Craig Kilby, from a copy at the Goochland County Circuit Clerk's Office in Goochland VA, April 2007. It is indexed under the spelling of "Chadell" which may give the reader a clue as to how the name was pronounced at that time. Misspellings are shown in italics. Missing or additional text are in brackets.

⁴⁴ The Christ Church Parish Register recorded the dates of birth for seven children of John and Rebecca (Godbee) Kidd: Judith (1722), Frances (1726), Jemima (1729), **Edmund** (1731), John (1734), James (1738) and Sarah (1740). Frances Cheadle's will names only 3 (4 if Edward was actually Edmund) of these children (Judith, Frances, Edward/Edmund, and John. NOTE however that the last two of John and Rebecca's children, James and Sarah, were born AFTER the signing of Frances Cheadle's will.

No other record has been found for an Edward Kidd in this era, and we believe that the transcription of this will was likely in error, and that this was indeed John and Rebecca Kidd's son, Edmund Kidd.

last Will and Testament and for what Worldly goods it has *plest* God to Bess me with all I give as followeth

First I give and bequeath my Sole into the hands of the great Creator that gave it and my Body to the Earth to Receive a decent Christian *Burell*.

First I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Godby one *shillon* [*shilling*]

Item. I give unto my *Granson* John Tuggell One Hundred and fifty *oakres* [acres] of land which I bought of Silvester Profitt unto him and his heirs for ever and one *fether* bed and furniture

Item. I give and bequeath to my *Dartur* Mary Baskitt one Negro fellow named Jack and to her Son in Middlesex [*County*] Henry Tugell a Negro boy named Middlesex and his wife I give unt[o] my *granson* James Tuggell one negro boy named yourop [*Europe*].

I give unt[o] my *Dartur Rebarcker* one negro woman named Jenne. [Note: Rebecca Godbee Kidd, wife of John Kidd, who was the son of Thomas Kidd Jr. The marriage of Rebecca and John was recorded 6 Mar 1720/21 in the Middlesex Christ Church Parish Register (CCPR).]

I give unto my Grand Darthur Frances Kidd one negro *garell* [girl] named Marge. [Note: Frances, born 1726, daughter of Rebecca and **John Kidd**, CCPR]

Item. I give unto my *granson Edaward* Kidd one negro boy Jark [*Jack?*] to be enjoyed by my *gransons* when they *rive* [arrive] to the age of one and twenty years. [Note: Named as Edaward by the writer, this is Edmund, born 1731, son of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

Item. I give unto my *GranDarthur* Jude Kidd, one feather bed and one *puter* dish an[d] Six *puter* plates. [Note: Judith, born 1722, daughter of Rebecca and **John Kidd**, CCPR]

Item. I give unto my Grand Son John Kidd ten pound[s] Cash and one *puter* dish and Six *puter* plates. [Note: John, born 1734, son of Rebecca and **John Kidd**, CCPR]

And the res [*rest or residue?*] of my estate to be divided to be divide[d] among my grand Children

[Note: Rebecca and **John Kidd** had two younger children, James (born 1738, CCPR) and Sarah (born 1740, CCPR), who were born after Frances Cheadle's will was written in 1736. They also had a daughter Jemima (born 1729/30, CCPR), who likely died before the writing of Frances Cheadle's will because she is not named in the will.]

And lastly I give and ordain Daniel Baskett and **John Kidd** to be my Executors of this my last Will and Testament whatsoever. [Note: Baskett and Kidd were sons-in-law of Frances Cheadle]

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 25 day of September in the year of our Lord 1736.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presents of us her Frances + Chadell {Seal}
/s/ James Hoppar, Elizabeth Hoppar (E her mark) mark
/s/ Comfort Sparklock

- 1739 – At a Court held for Goochland County February 19th 1739/40: This Will was Proved by the Oaths of James Hoppar and Elizabeth Hoppar, Witnesses thereto to be the Act and Deed of Frances Chadell dec'd which was Ordered to be Recorded.⁴⁵
- 1740 —Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of Frances Cheadle was presented 20 May 1740 by Daniel Baskett, executor, and consisted of household goods, livestock valued at £30 and slaves valued at £85: a Negro girl named Margery £15; a Negro boy named Urope [Europe] £10, a Negro boy named Middlesex £15, a Negro girl named Lucy £5, a Negro man named Jack £20, and a Negro woman named Jenne £25.⁴⁶
- 1740 – In May Court 1740, the suit of Cheadle vs. Godby &c: In the action of Detinue between John Cheadle, Plaintiff, and **John Kide** [Kidd] and Daniel Baskett, Defendants. An Imparlance is granted the Defendants.⁴⁷

Frances Cheadle's brother-in-law John Cheadle filed an action of detinue, charging unlawful possession of personal property against defendants John Godby, **John Kidd**, and Daniel Basket[t] for £150 current money, for detaining six slaves belonging to the plaintiff John Cheadle, named as Jack, Jenny, Margery, Middlesex, Europe, and Lucy. The court ruled for the plaintiff, on the determination that the slaves were real estate, not personal estate, citing the Virginia Acts of 1705 and 1727 declaring Negro, mulatto, and Indian slaves to be real property.

As real, not personal, property, the slaves belonged to John Cheadle, who was the eldest brother and heir-at-law to the deceased Thomas Cheadle, Frances's husband. Because Thomas Cheadle died without heirs of his body, his widow Frances was not entitled to his real property and so could not legally bequeath them in her will of 1736. **John Kidd** was found to have possession of the Negro man Jack, now valued at £18, and was ordered to return him to the plaintiff. The case also contained affidavits taken from William Hill and Frances Hill of Middlesex County, but their relationship to the parties in the case is not known.⁴⁸

- 1742 – Goochland March Court 1741/42. The Case of John Cheadle vs. **John Kidd** and Daniel Baskett continued. The Court ruled in the Plaintiff's favor, asserting that Baskett unlawfully detained 4 slaves, and Kidd detained one, a boy called Jack, valued at £18. The Defendants filed an appeal, to be heard at the next General Court.⁴⁹

Note: John Kidd's only Goochland County records are these involving his role as Frances Cheadle's executor of her Goochland County will. He was a resident of Middlesex County and records of his life are found there. See our *Kidds of Middlesex County, Virginia* compilation for this information.

⁴⁵ Goochland County, VA Deed Book 3, Part 1, p. 268, copied and transcribed with exact spellings from the text April 2007, by Craig Kilby at the Goochland County Circuit Court's office. SKK has photocopy of original in her files.

⁴⁶ Goochland County, VA Deed Book 3, Part 2, pp. 290-91, abstracted by Craig Kilby April 2007 from original at the Goochland County Circuit Court's office. SKK has photocopy of original in her files.

⁴⁷ *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 4, 1735-1741*, by Ann K. Blomquist, Heritage Books, 2010, page 515, citing OB page 485.

⁴⁸ Goochland County, VA Order Book 5, pp. 22-23, abstracted by Craig Kilby April 2007 from original at the Goochland County Circuit Court's office. SKK has photocopy in her files.

⁴⁹ *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 5, 1741-1745*, by Ann K. Blomquist, Heritage Books, 2007, pp. 20-22, citing OB 5:22-23.

JOHN^{3b} KIDD, the son of William² Kidd and his wife Margaret (maiden name not known)
of Middlesex County VA
John^{3b} (William², Thomas¹) Kidd
Born 1708 in Middlesex County, VA
Married Ruth Parish/Farish, daughter of Henry Parish of Goochland County
Lived in Albemarle County, VA, where his will was written in 1785

1708 – John Kidd, son of William and Margaret Kidd, was baptized in Middlesex County, Virginia on 27 February 1707/08.⁵⁰

1740 – On 16 June 1740, **John Kidd** was a witness along with James George to a Goochland County deed from George Southerland of Goochland County to Robert Chowning of Middlesex County, where Robert Chowning purchased for £13.10 a tract of 150 acres of land on the north side of the James River on a branch of Lickinghole Creek, bounded by William DePriest deceased, Arthur Hopkings, and said Southerland. This deed was recorded 17 June 1740.⁵¹

1742 – September 1742. **Kidd** vs. Gwin. Action of Trespass. **John Kidd** vs. Richard Gwin. Gwin found not guilty.⁵²

1743 – June 1743. **Kid** vs. Gwin. The action of trespass between **John Kid** agst Rich'd Gwin is dismiss being agreed.
Next entry: John Tuggle was a witness for **John Kidd** in his suit against Richard Gwin and ordered to be paid 50 lbs. of tobacco for 2 days attendance.⁵³

1744 – March 1743/44. Matthew Tucker to pay **John Kidd** 125 lbs. of tobacco as a witness for 5 days attendance in his suit against Richard [Hall? Small?], agent of Thomas Tindell.⁵⁴

May 1744. **John Kidd** vs. Thomas Phelps. On the Petition of John Kidd against Thos. Phelps, the Deft. pleads *nil debet* and the Petitioner takes issue thereon.⁵⁵

June 1744. **Kid** vs. Phelps. The petition of **John Kid** against Thomas Phelps is dismissed on trial.

Next entry: Baber vs. **Kid**. Ordered that **John Kidd** pay Margaret Baber, witness for **John Kid** against Thomas Phelps, 50 pounds tobacco for 2 days attendance.⁵⁶

In June 1744, the "male labouring tithables" of **John Kid** were ordered to assist in the opening and clearing of a new road from "the three Chopt road to the Church."⁵⁷ The entry below names numerous neighbors of **John Kidd**, including his father-in-law Henry Parish:

⁵⁰ Christ Church Parish Register, page 79.

⁵¹ *Goochland County Virginia Wills & Deeds* (three volumes, and titles vary slightly by volume), by Benjamin B. Weisiger III [LDS microfiche, reviewed by RK at Bellevue, WA FHC on June 6, 2013], volume 2: 1736-1742 (Wills & Deeds, book 3), p. 45, citing DB 3:313.

⁵² Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 122.

⁵³ Goochland County Order Book 5, p.255.

⁵⁴ Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 361.

⁵⁵ Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 397.

⁵⁶ Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 445.

⁵⁷ Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 425.

19 June 1744 O.S., p. 425, Road to be Cleard: Ordered that the Male labouring Titheables belonging to the under mentioned persons do assist in opening & clearing the Road for the first time from the three Chopt road to the Church of which John Hollow is Appointed Overseer Vizt. Thos. Cauthon Overseer for Michael Holland, Pouncy Anderson, James Graves Overseer for John Smith, Thos. Sanders, James Farguson, Philip Hoggatt, ffras. Kerby, Henry Wood, Henry Martin, Henry Atkins, William Dudgets, Michl. Holland Junr., John Sandland, Benjamin Henson, **John Kid**, William Gardner, Edmd. Hodges, Edward Houchins, John Houchins, James Alford, Capt. Holland, Henry Parish & John Witt.⁵⁸

Also in June Court, the petition of John **Kid** against Thos. Phelps is dismissed on Tryal. Kidd was ordered to pay Margaret Baber 50 pounds of Tobacco for two days attendance as a witness.⁵⁹

In 1744, **Jno. Kidd** appears on the tithables list for Goochland County., on the list of Arthur Hopkins, with one white male tithable. Also on this list are "Deuel Thruston" and "Francis Thruston."⁶⁰ The tithables lists are incomplete for 1730-1743; no Kidds are found on the earlier lists that have survived.

In a Goochland County deed dated 20 August 1744, Robert Chowning of Christ Church Parish of Middlesex County. sold to John Page of the parish of St. James and county of Goochland for £25 a tract of land in Goochland County. on the north side of the James River on a branch of the Lickinghole Creek, containing 150 acres and bounded by William Spurlock, William Swift deceased, Arthur Hopkins, John Johnson, George Southerland. The deed was signed by Robert Chowning, and witnessed by **John Kidd**, James George, and Robert Page. Recorded August 21, 1744.⁶¹

1745-1746 – No tithables lists for 1745 have survived. John Kidd doesn't appear on the Goochland County tithables list for 1746.

1747 – **John Kid** is named with 1 tithable on the list of Henry Martin.⁶² "Dewel Thuston and Francs. Thuston" also appear on this list.

1748 – The tithables list of Arthur Hopkins of Northam Parish, dated 10 Jun 1748, lists **John Kidd** with 1 tithable, next to Henry Parish with 1 tithable. Next to John Kidd is the household of Jonas Lawson, listing 5 tithables: himself, David Lawson, Harry Tuggle, Peter, and Jane.⁶³

1749 – **John Kidd** is listed with 1 tithable, next to Aaron Kidd with 1 tithable, on the tithables list of John Martin. Also on this 1749 list is Henry Parish.⁶⁴

⁵⁸ *Goochland County Road Orders, 1728-1744*, by Nathaniel Mason Pawlett, Charlottesville, VA, 1975, p. 425.

⁵⁹ *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 5, 1741-1745*, by Ann K. Blomquist, Heritage Books, 2007, p. 420, citing OB 5:442.

⁶⁰ Goochland County Tithables, 1730-1755, Library of Virginia Reel 81, image 25 (scan available from RK).

⁶¹ *Goochland County Virginia Deeds, 1741-1745*, T.L.C. Genealogy, Miami Beach, FL, 1990, p. 52, citing DB 4:398. This reference has a decent map of Goochland County, with all the waterways labeled. See Goochland Source Documents folder on Dropbox.

⁶² *Goochland County Tithes, 1735-1747 and 1748-1749*, by A. Jean Lurvey, published by author, Springfield MO, 1979, p. 14.

⁶³ *Ibid.*, p. 5.

⁶⁴ *Ibid.*, p. 10.

In Goochland County Orders for July 1749: "**John Kidd** is appointed constable in this county by the court."⁶⁵

In a deed dated 19 Sept 1749, Henry Parish, of Saint James Parish, Goochland County, "for and in consideration of the love good will and affection I have and do bear toward my loving **Son in Law John Kidd** of the same parish and county," deeded to **John Kidd** 50 acres on Lickinghole Creek, bounded by Henry Martin, John Sandland, and Henry Parrish, to Capt. Michael Holland decd, to Pouncey Anderson, "said land on which the said **Kidd** now lives." Said land was part of a greater tract which the said Henry Parrish purchased of Humphry Parish. Signed the mark of H: Henry Parish (seal). Witnesses John Martin, Tho Harmer, James Winneham (his mark). Deed of "livery of seizin [seisen]" proven 20 Sept 1749 and ordered to be recorded.⁶⁶

This deed proves that **John Kidd** had married Ruth Parish, daughter of Henry Parish, before 1749, presumably in Goochland County.

1750 – In 1750, John Kidd drops from the Goochland tithables list; Aaron Kidd appears on this list in 1750, then also drops from these lists.

17 Aug 1750. **John Kidd** of Goochland County to Robert Allen of same, for £15, 50 acres on the west side of a branch of Lickinghole Creek, bounded by John Sandling and Michel Holland decd, "whereon the said **John Kidd** now dwells." Signed **John Kidd** (seal). Witnesses John Martin, John McBrid, John Hill, Jno Moss. Deed of "livery of seizin [seisen]" proven 21 Aug 1750 and ordered to be recorded.⁶⁷

The deed from **John Kidd** to Robert Allen, proven by oaths of John Hill, John Martin, and John Moss, was ordered to be recorded August 1750 in the Goochland County Orders.⁶⁸

Note: After the 1750 sale of this property, **John Kidd** moved to Albemarle County, where he had land surveyed in 1752. He lived the remainder of his life in Albemarle County, where he made his will dated 11 Mar 1785. This will mentions the land his wife Ruth inherited on Turkey Creek in Hanover County VA from her maternal grandfather Henry Atkinson. [Henry Atkinson patented 520 acres on Turkey Creek, patent dated 15 Jan 1723.]⁶⁹

This record provides good evidence that the **John Kidd** who died in Albemarle County in 1785 is the same **John Kidd** who was Henry Parish's son-in-law in Goochland County.

1758 – On 19 Sept 1758, Norman [John Norman] Kidd, son of **John Kid** and Ruth Parish, was born; he was baptized 15 Oct 1758 by the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.⁷⁰

⁶⁵ Goochland County Order Book 6, p. 532.

⁶⁶ Goochland County Deed Book 6, pp. 27-28, retrieved from FHL #31655, item 1 (images 32-33 of 719). Scanned images available from the authors.

⁶⁷ Goochland County Deed Book 6, pp. 88-90, retrieved from FHL #31655, images 63-64. Scanned images of this deed are available from the authors.

⁶⁸ Goochland County OB 7, p. 24.

⁶⁹ Source: Virginia Land Office Patents No. 11, 1719-1724, p. 305 (Reel 10). See http://image.lva.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/GetLONN.pl?first=305&last=&g_p=P11&collection=LO_Patent

⁷⁰ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 53 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

See his section in our **Albemarle compilation for all the records we've found for John3b Kidd.**

JOHN4 KIDD, the son of John3a Kidd and Rebecca Godbee of Middlesex County. Named in the will of his maternal grandmother Frances Godbee Cheadle written in Goochland County in 1736.

John4 (John 3a, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd
Born in 1734 in Middlesex County

1736 – **John Kidd** is named in the will of his maternal grandmother Frances Godbee Cheadle in 1736 as her grandson:

Will of Frances Cheadle, Goochland County, VA, Will Book 3, Part I, p. 268

Dated 25 September 1736, Proved 19 February 1739/40 ⁷¹, ⁷²

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN, I Frances Cheadle of Goochland County and *parrish* of Saint James being in good and in full and perfect sense and memory *doe* ordain this to be my last Will and Testament and for what Worldly goods it has *plest* God to Bess me with all I give as followeth

First I give and bequeath my Sole into the hands of the great Creator that gave it and my Body to the Earth to Receive a decent Christian *Burell*.

First I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Godby one *shillon* [*shilling*]

Item. I give unto my *Granson* John Tuggell One Hundred and fifty *oakes* [acres] of land which I bought of Silvester Profitt unto him and his heirs for ever and one *fether* bed and furniture

Item. I give and bequeath to my *Dartur* Mary Baskitt one Negro fellow named Jack and to her Son in Middlesex [*County*] Henry Tugell a Negro boy named Middlesex and his wife I give unt[o] my *granson* James Tuggell one negro boy named yourop [*Europe*].

I give unt[o] my *Dartur Rebarcker* one negro woman named Jenne. [Note: Rebecca Godbee Kidd, wife of John Kidd, who was the son of Thomas Kidd Jr. The marriage of Rebecca and John was recorded 6 Mar 1720/21 in the Middlesex Christ Church Parish Register (CCPR).]

I give unto my Grand Darthur Frances Kidd one negro *garell* [girl] named Marge. [Note: Frances, born 1726, daughter of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

⁷¹ Transcription of Will of Frances Cheadle, Goochland County, VA Will Book 3, Part 1, p. 268 by Craig Kilby, from a copy at the Goochland County Circuit Clerk's Office in Goochland VA, April 2007. It is indexed under the spelling of "Chadell" which may give the reader a clue as to how the name was pronounced at that time. Misspellings are shown in italics. Missing or additional text are in brackets.

⁷² The Christ Church Parish Register recorded the dates of birth for seven children of John and Rebecca (Godbee) Kidd: Judith (1722), Frances (1726), Jemima (1729), **Edmund** (1731), John (1734), James (1738) and Sarah (1740). Frances Cheadle's will names only 3 (4 if Edward was actually Edmund) of these children (Judith, Frances, Edward/Edmund, and John. NOTE however that the last two of John and Rebecca's children, James and Sarah, were born AFTER the signing of Frances Cheadle's will.

No other record has been found for an Edward Kidd in this era, and we believe that the transcription of this will was likely in error, and that this was indeed John and Rebecca Kidd's son, Edmund Kidd.

Item. I give unto my *granson* *Edaward* Kidd one negro boy Jark [*Jack?*] to be enjoyed by my *gransons* when they *rive* [arrive] to the age of one and twenty years. [Note: Named as Edaward by the writer, this is Edmund, born 1731, son of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

Item. I give unto my *GranDarthur* Jude Kidd, one feather bed and one *puter* dish an[d] Six *puter* plates. [Note: Judith, born 1722, daughter of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

Item. I give unto my Grand Son **John Kidd** ten pound[s] Cash and one *puter* dish and Six *puter* plates. [Note: John, born 1734, son of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

And the res [*rest or residue?*] of my estate to be divided to be divide[d] among my grand Children

[Note: Rebecca and John Kidd had two younger children, James (born 1738, CCPR) and Sarah (born 1740, CCPR), who were born after Frances Cheadle's will was written in 1736. They also had a daughter Jemima (born 1729/30, CCPR), who likely died before the writing of Frances Cheadle's will because she is not named in the will.]

And lastly I give and ordain Daniel Baskett and John Kidd to be my Executors of this my last Will and Testament whatsoever. [Note: Baskett and Kidd were sons-in-law of Frances Cheadle]

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 25 day of September in the year of our Lord 1736.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presents of us her Frances + Chadell {Seal}

/s/ James Hoppar, Elizabeth Hoppar (E her mark) mark

/s/ Comfort Sparklock

At a Court held for Goochland County February 19th 1739/40. This Will was Proved by the Oaths of James Hoppar and Elizabeth Hoppar Witnesses thereto to be the Act and Deed of Frances Chadell dec'd which was Ordered to be Recorded.

Records for this John Kidd are in our Middlesex County compilation.

**JOHN KIDD, likely the father of James B. Kidd and Jesse Kidd
Appears on the Goochland County PPTLs from 1789-1791
Likely died by 1792**

1789 – No Kidd is found on the Personal Property Tax Lists for Goochland County from 1782 (the first year for which these records are available) through 1788. In 1789, a **John Kidd** appears on the PPTLs in the Upper District, with 1 WT and 1 horse. His identity and origin are unknown.

1790 – In 1790, this **John Kidd** appears again on the Goochland PPTLs, taxed for himself, one WM 16-21, and 1 horse.

1791 – In 1791, **John Kidd** has 2 WT's 16+, and 1 horse. Written below John's name is James B. Kidd. We postulate that this James B. Kidd is John's eldest son, who has become of age in 1791.

1792, ff. – No Kidds appear on the 1792 tax list, and no John Kidd appears on the PPTLs from 1792-1813 or from 1815-1850. In 1814, a **John Kidd** appears in the Upper District with 0 WT and no tax charged, but this is unlikely to be the same John Kidd.

1793 – In 1793, a Mary Kidd appears on the PPTLs for one year, with 1 WT and the name Jesse Kidd, presumably her son, written below her name. We think that this Mary Kidd is most likely the widow of John Kidd, who last appears on the PPTLs in 1791; we surmise that the Jesse Kidd is likely the son of John and Mary Kidd, who has come of taxable age (sixteen) in the previous twelve months.

We have found no further records for any of the members of this hypothetical family unit in Goochland County or elsewhere.

JOHN KIDD – working in Goochland County in 1824

1832 – On 5 July 1832, a **John Kidd** testified in a deposition regarding a Chancery Court suit in Goochland County. In his affidavit, he stated that he ceased sawing timber on 14 Feb 1824 at the Goochland County mill operated by Robert Ware. This case provided no other information about this John Kidd.⁷³

We've found no further records that might be this man in Goochland County.

JOHN NORMAN KIDD, the son of John3b (William2, Thomas1) Kidd and his wife Ruth Parish/Farish.
Born 19 September 1758; baptism recorded in St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County.
Married Juriah [maiden name unknown].
Died by July 1795 in Amherst County, when his will was proven in Court

1758 – On 19 Sept 1758, **Norman [John Norman] Kidd**, son of John Kid and Ruth Parish, was born. He was baptized 15 Oct 1758 by the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.⁷⁴

Records for John Norman Kidd are found in Albemarle, Fluvanna, and Amherst Counties. See our Amherst compilation for a complete list of all the records found for him in these counties.

JOSEPH KIDD – appears on the Goochland County PPTLs in 1795 and 1798

1795, 1798 – a Joseph Kidd appears on the Goochland County PPTLs first in 1795, and again in 1798 in the Upper District, with 1 WT 16+. No Kidds are listed in 1796-1797 or 1799. A Joseph Kidd appears on the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1793, 1797 and 1798, taxed similarly (one WMT and one horse) in these years. It is conceivable that they are the same Joseph, but that seems less likely, given that this Joseph would be listed on the PPTLs of two different counties in 1798.

We found no other records for Joseph Kidd in Goochland County.

⁷³ Goochland County. Chancery cause 1832-003, Admr. of William Wood v. Robert Ware et al, online at Virginia Memory, <http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/default.asp#res> , images 20-21 of 34.

⁷⁴ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 53 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

**JUDE (JUDITH) KIDD, the daughter of John and Rebecca Godbee Kidd
Born in 1722 in Middlesex County, VA and named in the 1736 will of her
grandmother Frances Cheadle in Goochland County.**

1722 – **Judith Kidd** was born on 8 October 1722 and baptized 4 November 1722 in Middlesex County, VA as the daughter of John and Rebecca Kidd.⁷⁵

1736 – **Jude Kidd** is named in the will of her maternal grandmother Frances Godbee Cheadle in 1736 as her granddaughter:

Will of Frances Cheadle, Goochland County, VA, Will Book 3, Part I, p. 268

Dated 25 September 1736, Proved 19 February 1739/40^{76, 77}

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN, I Frances Cheadle of Goochland County and *parrish* of Saint James being in good and in full and perfect sense and memory *doe* ordain this to be my last Will and Testament and for what Worldly goods it has *plest* God to Bess me with all I give as followeth

First I give and bequeath my Sole into the hands of the great Creator that gave it and my Body to the Earth to Receive a decent Christian *Burell*.

First I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Godby one *shillon* [*shilling*]

Item. I give unto my *Granson* John Tuggell One Hundred and fifty *oakres* [acres] of land which I bought of Silvester Profitt unto him and his heirs for ever and one *fether* bed and furniture

Item. I give and bequeath to my *Dartur* Mary Baskitt one Negro fellow named Jack and to her Son in Middlesex [*County*] Henry Tugell a Negro boy named Middlesex and his wife I give unt[o] my *granson* James Tuggell one negro boy named yourop [*Europe*].

I give unt[o] my *Dartur Rebarcker* one negro woman named Jenne. [Note: Rebecca Godbee Kidd, wife of John Kidd, who was the son of Thomas Kidd Jr. The marriage of Rebecca and John was recorded 6 Mar 1720/21 in the Middlesex Christ Church Parish Register (CCPR).]

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Item. I give unto my *granson Edaward* Kidd one negro boy Jark [*Jack?*] to be enjoyed by my *gransons* when they *rive* [arrive] to the age of one and twenty years. [Note: Named as Edaward by the writer, this is Edmund, born 1731, son of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

⁷⁵ *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 111.

⁷⁶ Transcription of Will of Frances Cheadle, Goochland County, VA Will Book 3, Part 1, p. 268 by Craig Kilby, from a copy at the Goochland County Circuit Clerk's Office in Goochland VA, April 2007. It is indexed under the spelling of "Chadell" which may give the reader a clue as to how the name was pronounced at that time. Misspellings are shown in italics. Missing or additional text are in brackets.

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Item. I give unto my Grand Son John Kidd ten pound[s] Cash and one *puter* dish and Six *puter* plates. [Note: John, born 1734, son of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

And the res [*rest or residue?*] of my estate to be divided to be divide[d] among my grand Children

[Note: Rebecca and John Kidd had two younger children, James (born 1738, CCPR) and Sarah (born 1740, CCPR), who were born after Frances Cheadle's will was written in 1736. They also had a daughter Jemima (born 1729/30, CCPR), who likely died before the writing of Frances Cheadle's will because she is not named in the will.]

And lastly I give and ordain Daniel Baskett and John Kidd to be my Executors of this my last Will and Testament whatsoever. [Note: Baskett and Kidd were sons-in-law of Frances Cheadle]

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 25 day of September in the year of our Lord 1736.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presents of us her Frances + Chadell {Seal}
/s/ James Hoppar, Elizabeth Hoppar (E her mark) mark
/s/ Comfort Sparklock

At a Court held for Goochland County February 19th 1739/40. This Will was Proved by the Oaths of James Hoppar and Elizabeth Hoppar Witnesses thereto to be the Act and Deed of Frances Chadell dec'd which was Ordered to be Recorded.

LEWIS KIDD, the husband of Obedience Kidd

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 the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.⁷⁸

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

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

While the name Lewis is not a common one in the Kidd family, a Lewis Kidd is found in the central Virginia counties of Albemarle, Buckingham, and Fluvanna in the late 1700s. An Obedience Kidd also witnessed the will of John Norman Kidd in Amherst County in 1795.

MADISON KIDD, waterman, appearing on the Goochland County PPTLs in 1846 and 1848

1840 – on the federal census in Fluvanna County., VA, p. 261:

Maddeeson Kidd: 1FWM<5 & 1 30-39; 2F 20-29. One engaged in navigation of canals, lakes and rivers.

⁷⁸ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 56 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

1846, 1848 – **Madison Kidd** appears on the Goochland County PPTLs with 1 WT 16+ in 1846 and 1848 (the list for 1847 is very dark and illegible, so he also may appear there). He's not seen again, nor is he found by this name on any other record we've seen.

MARGARET (KIDD) SOUTHERN, daughter of William² Kidd and his Margaret (maiden name not known) of Middlesex County VA
Baptized in 1702 in Middlesex County⁷⁹
Married John Southern in Middlesex County on 17 February 1720⁸⁰
Migrated with husband to Goochland County by 1743

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 siblings 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, a tributary of the Fluvanna River and containing 250 acres.⁸¹

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 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 1749.⁸²

[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 the eastern part of Albemarle, they were in that county. The people and their land did not move; the county boundaries changed.]

⁷⁹ Christ Church Parish Register, page 55.

⁸⁰ Ibid, page 163.

⁸¹ 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

⁸² *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).

Today, these tracts lie just north of New Canton and the James River in present-day Buckingham County. New Canton is near the home of many Buckingham County Kidds.
1755 – On 1 January MDCCLV (1755), **John Southern** of Albemarle County executed three deeds of gift to his three sons William, James, and Samuel Southern.⁸³ 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) }

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 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 }
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On 10 September 1755, **John Southern** received 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.⁸⁴

⁸³ Albemarle County Deed Book 2, pages 59-60, retrieved from FHL #30225, images 38-39 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

⁸⁴ 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.

This appears to be the same parcel that John Southern deeded to his son Samuel in the above deed, despite that deed predating 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.⁸⁵

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

MARY KIDD, the daughter of James Kidd and Morning Parish/Farish

1759 – On 11 Jan 1759, **Mary Kidd**, daughter of James Kidd [published book says Caid, an apparent transcription error] and Morning Parish, was born. She was baptized 18 Feb 1759 by the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.⁸⁶

MARY (maiden name unknown) KIDD, possibly the wife of John Kidd of Goochland County, and the mother of James B. Kidd & Jesse Kidd

1793 – A Mary Kidd first appears on the Goochland County PPTLs in 1793, listed in the Lower District, with 1 WM 16+ and 1 horse. Written below Mary's name is Jesse Kidd. While this does not prove a relationship, she is likely his mother. She does not appear again on the PPTLs in Goochland County, and no Jesse Kidd is identified by name until 1801.

Note: A John Kidd appears on the Goochland County PPTLs from 1789-1791; in 1790 and 1791, he is taxed for a WM 16-21 in his household (in 1791, this WM is named as James B. Kidd). He drops from the PPTLs in 1792.

We have found no other records for this Mary Kidd in Goochland.

We suspect that his Mary Kidd was his widow, and that they were the parents of James B. Kidd and Jesse Kidd.

MORNING (PARISH/FARISH) KIDD, the daughter of Henry Parish/Farish,⁸⁷ and the second wife of James3 Kidd

Born unknown

Married by 19 Oct 1755 in Goochland County

Date and place of death unknown

1753 – On 3 March 1753, Henry Parish, the father of Ruth and **Morning Parish**, signed his will in Goochland County.⁸⁸ In it, he bequeathed to his sons, Henry and Solaman [Solomon] “after my wife’s death, the land and plantation whereon I now live to them and their heirs forever and my will is if my wife should marry then the land shall be equally divided betwixt my two sons at the age on twenty-one years.”

Item: To wife Mary all stock and moveable estate “during her widowhood and at her death or marage my will is all stocks and moveable estate only two shillings stirling be equally divided betwixt my wife and seven children Mary, **Morning**, Elizabeth, Jerusa, Henry, Sarah, and Solaman [Solomon].

⁸⁵ Ibid.

⁸⁶ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 54 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

⁸⁷ She is named as one of Henry Parish’s daughters in his 1753 will.

⁸⁸ This will was recorded in Goochland County, VA Deed Book 6, pages 324-325, and was retrieved from FHL #31655, image 181 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

Item: I give unto my dafter Ruth one shilling sterling. Item: I give unto my dafter Ann one shilling sterling.”

I constitute and appoint my son in law John Green my executor and my wife my executrix...” Signed Henry Parish [H his mark] [seal]

Witnesses were John Parish [his mark], David Massie, John Green

This will was proven in Goochland County Court by the oath of John Parish and ordered to be recorded on 20 Nov 1753.

1755 – James Kid and **Mourning Parish** “both in this parish” were married by 19 Oct 1755, in Goochland County by the Rev. William Douglas.⁸⁹ [Note: The dates in the Douglas Register can represent the date by which an event (marriage or birth) had occurred. James’s brother John Kidd married Morning’s sister Ruth Parish prior to 1749 in Goochland County. They were daughters of Henry Parish of Goochland County.]

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, Goochland County.⁹⁰

1759 – On 11 Jan 1759, Mary Kidd, daughter of James Kidd [the 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, Goochland County.⁹¹

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, Goochland County.⁹²

These are the only records found that name Morning Parish, wife of James Kidd of Goochland, Albemarle, and Buckingham Counties. Note: She is not the same woman as Mourning Hicks, who married James Kidd in 1786 in Halifax County VA.

MOSES KIDD, parents unknown at this time

**Husband of Milly Clark, and father of Zachariah, Moses Jr. and Harmon Kidd
Born by 1747 and probably by 1743⁹³; place of birth and names of parents unknown.
Left records in five different central Virginia counties,⁹⁴ as outlined below.
Married Milly Clark in Goochland County by 29 Sept 1768
He probably died in Nelson County in 1809.
His widow Milly and their three adult sons then moved to Knox County, Kentucky, and appear there on the 1810 federal census, and subsequent Kentucky records.
Likely died in Nelson County in 1809, after which his family migrated to Knox and Lincoln Counties in Kentucky.**

⁸⁹ *The Douglas Register*, pp. 30, 80, 109 citing p. 2 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com. His surname is mis-indexed as KILL on Ancestry’s index.

⁹⁰ *The Douglas Register*, p. 167, citing p. 49 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

⁹¹ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 54 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

⁹² *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 59 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

⁹³ Though not explicitly stated in his 1768 marriage record, he was likely at least 21 years of age at that time; the average age at marriage for males was more like 25 years old.

⁹⁴ In chronological order, these were Goochland (1768), Albemarle (1768 -~1775), Fluvanna (1777-1782), back to Albemarle (1784-1786), Amherst (1788-1807), and Nelson (1808 counties. We are confident that all of these records belong to the same Moses Kidd, because he’s never found in two or more counties at the same time, and because his son Zachariah is seen in the same counties.

1768 – **Moses Kidd** and Milly Clark were married by the Rev. William Douglas 29 Sept 1768, recorded in Goochland County in St. James Northam Parish. Both bride and groom were listed as “in Albemarle.”⁹⁵

This is the only Goochland County record we have found that mentions Moses Kidd. See our Nelson County compilation for all records of his life and family.

NANCY/ANN (CHANDLER) KIDD, the widow of Jesse Kidd of Fluvanna County

1850 – On the Goochland County, VA 1850 census, **Nancy Kidd**, aged 67, b VA, cannot read and write, appears in the HH of Nathaniel Glass, aged 42, a carpenter. A female Juliann, aged 45, and their presumed children also appear in the HH. Note: This is Nancy (Ann) Chandler, widow of Jesse Kidd who died in Fluvanna County by 1822, living with her daughter and son-in-law.

This is the only Goochland County record found for Nancy/Ann (Chandler) Kidd. See our Fluvanna County compilation for a complete account of her records.

NANSIE (NANCY) KIDD, the daughter of Lewis Kidd and Obedience Kidd

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 the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.⁹⁶

NORMAN KIDD [See JOHN NORMAN KIDD]

OBEDIENCE KIDD, the wife of Lewis Kidd

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 the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.⁹⁷

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

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

While the name Lewis is not a common one in the Kidd family, a Lewis Kidd is found in the central Virginia counties of Albemarle, Buckingham, and Fluvanna in the late 1700s. An Obedience Kidd also witnessed the will of John Norman Kidd in Amherst County in 1795.

PATSIE KIDD, the daughter of Lewis Kidd and Obedience Kidd

⁹⁵ *The Douglas Register*, pp. 30, 58, citing p. 10 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

⁹⁶ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 56 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

⁹⁷ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 56 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

1767 – On 25 Sept 1767, **Patsie**, daughter of Lewis Kid and Obedience Kid, was born. She was baptized 16 Oct 1768 [1767?] by the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.⁹⁸

PITMAN KIDD and wife Agnes Richardson Sharp of Hanover County

Pitman5 (Isaac4, Daniel3, Thomas2, Thomas1) Kidd

Born by 1756, likely in Essex County, VA

Died before 25 May 1808 in Hanover County, VA

Sold Goochland County land inherited from Agnes's father in 1804.

1804 – On 24 Nov 1804, **Pitman Kidd and wife [Agnes]** of Hanover County to Samuel Richardson [Agnes's brother] of Goochland County, for £500 current money of Virginia. On the waters of Byrd Creek in Goochland County, adjoining John Moore, Daniel Ross, and Stephen Johnson, Benjamin Johnson, M Pace, and Richard Adams. 540 acres. Said Pitman and wife entitled to 1/3 part of the distribution, wife [Agnes] being daughter of Samuel Richardson deceased of Goochland County. Both sign. Witnesses Reuben George, William George Jr., Henry Hopkins. Recorded 8 Mar 1805, release of dower for Agnes recorded 18 Apr 1805.⁹⁹

Note: The remaining 2/3 were distributed to Samuel Richardson [Jr.] and Mary Richardson Royster, wife of William Royster. A Chancery Court suit was filed in Goochland County about this land.¹⁰⁰

Monday, December 17, 1804. A deed from **Pitman Kidd and Agnes his wife** to Samuel Richardson was presented in Court and proved by the oath of William George.¹⁰¹

1805 – Monday April 15, 1805. A Goochland County deed from **Pitman Kidd and Agnes his wife** to Samuel Richardson was again presented in Court and further and fully proven by the oaths of William George Jr. and Henry Hopkins...and ordered to be recorded.¹⁰²

Pitman Kidd and his wife Agnes Richardson Kidd lived in Hanover and Henrico Counties, VA, leaving many records in those counties. See our compilation for either of those counties for more information on them.

REBECCA (GODBEE) KIDD, the wife of John3a Kidd of Middlesex County, VA and daughter of Frances Godbee Cheadle of Goochland County, VA

1736 – **Rebecca (Godbee) Kidd** is named in the will of her mother, Frances Godbee Cheadle in 1736 as her daughter. Rebecca's husband John Kidd was executor of the will, proven in 1739.

⁹⁸ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 82 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

⁹⁹ Goochland County, VA DB 19, p. 187, retrieved from FHL #31660, image 11 of 757. Scanned images of this deed are available from the authors.

¹⁰⁰ Available online at http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/full_case_detail.asp?CFN=075-1808-014#img. Image 5 of this record is the deposition of Agnes Kidd, "formerly Agnes Sharp, one of the legatees of Sam'l Richardson," given on 19 November 1803. Image 6 is the deposition of Pitman Kidd, also given on 19 Nov 1803, and this record contains Pitman's signature.

¹⁰¹ Goochland County Order Book 24, p. 363, retrieved from FHL #31681, image 217.

¹⁰² Goochland County Order Book 24, p. 445, retrieved from FHL #31681, image 258.

Will of Frances Cheadle, Goochland County, VA, Will Book 3, Part I, p. 268
Dated 25 September 1736, Proved 19 February 1739/40 ¹⁰³, ¹⁰⁴

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN, I Frances Cheadle of Goochland County and *parrish* of Saint James being in good and in full and perfect sense and memory *doe* ordain this to be my last Will and Testament and for what Worldly goods it has *plest* God to Bess me with all I give as followeth

First I give and bequeath my Sole into the hands of the great Creator that gave it and my Body to the Earth to Receive a decent Christian *Burell*.

First I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Godby one *shillon* [*shilling*]

Item. I give unto my *Granson* John Tuggell One Hundred and fifty *oakres* [acres] of land which I bought of Silvester Profitt unto him and his heirs for ever and one *fether* bed and furniture

Item. I give and bequeath to my *Dartur* Mary Baskitt one Negro fellow named Jack and to her Son in Middlesex [*County*] Henry Tugell a Negro boy named Middlesex and his wife I give unt[o] my *granson* James Tuggell one negro boy named yourop [*Europe*].

I give unt[o] my *Dartur Rebarker* one negro woman named Jenne. [Note: Rebecca Godbee Kidd was the wife of John Kidd, the son of Thomas Kidd Jr. The marriage of Rebecca and John was recorded 6 Mar 1720/21 in the Middlesex Christ Church Parish Register (CCPR).]

I give unto my Grand Darthur Frances Kidd one negro *garell* [girl] named Marge. [Note: Frances, born 1726, daughter of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

Item. I give unto my *granson* Edaward Kidd one negro boy Jark [*Jack?*] to be enjoyed by my *gransons* when they *rive* [arrive] to the age of one and twenty years. [Note: Named as Edaward by the writer, this is Edmund, born 1731, son of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

Item. I give unto my *GranDarthur* **Jude Kidd**, one feather bed and one *peuter* dish an[d] Six *puter* plates. [Note: Judith, born 1722, daughter of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

Item. I give unto my Grand Son John Kidd ten pound[s] Cash and one *puter* dish and Six *puter* plates. [Note: John, born 1734, son of Rebecca and John Kidd, CCPR]

And the res [*rest or residue?*] of my estate to be divided to be divide[d] among my grand Children

[Note: Rebecca and John Kidd had two younger children, James (born 1738, CCPR) and Sarah (born 1740, CCPR), who were born after Frances Cheadle's will was written in 1736.

¹⁰³ Transcription of Will of Frances Cheadle, Goochland County, VA Will Book 3, Part 1, p. 268 by Craig Kilby, from a copy at the Goochland County Circuit Clerk's Office in Goochland VA, April 2007. It is indexed under the spelling of "Chadell" which may give the reader a clue as to how the name was pronounced at that time. Misspellings are shown in italics. Missing or additional text are in brackets.

¹⁰⁴ The Christ Church Parish Register recorded the dates of birth for seven children of John and Rebecca (Godbee) Kidd: Judith (1722), Frances (1726), Jemima (1729), **Edmund** (1731), John (1734), James (1738) and Sarah (1740). Frances Cheadle's will names only 3 (4 if Edward was actually Edmund) of these children (Judith, Frances, Edward/Edmund, and John. NOTE however that the last two of John and Rebecca's children, James and Sarah, were born AFTER the signing of Frances Cheadle's will. No other record has been found for an Edward Kidd in this era, and we believe that the transcription of this will was likely in error, and that this was indeed John and Rebecca Kidd's son, Edmund Kidd.

They also had a daughter Jemima (born 1729/30, CCPR), who likely died before the writing of Frances Cheadle's will because she is not named in the will.]

And lastly I give and ordain Daniel Baskett and John Kidd to be my Executors of this my last Will and Testament whatsoever. [Note: Baskett and Kidd were sons-in-law of Frances Cheadle]

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 25 day of September in the year of our Lord 1736.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presents of us her Frances + Chadell {Seal}
/s/ James Hoppar, Elizabeth Hoppar (E her mark) mark
/s/ Comfort Sparklock

At a Court held for Goochland County February 19th 1739/40. This Will was Proved by the Oaths of James Hoppar and Elizabeth Hoppar Witnesses thereto to be the Act and Deed of Frances Chadell dec'd which was Ordered to be Recorded.

ROBERT KIDD, the son of **William² Kidd** and his wife **Margaret** (maiden name not known) of **Middlesex County VA**
Robert³ (William², Thomas¹) Kidd
Born in 1703 in Middlesex County
Disappears from the records after 1746 and is not found again in Virginia

Note: Robert Kidd, along with his siblings Moses, Duel, John, Aaron, James, and Margaret who married John Southern, migrated out of Middlesex County, VA sometime after his parents' deaths in 1727. He is found in Essex County in 1725, in Henrico County in 1735 and 1740, in Goochland County in 1732/33 and again in 1743-1745, then in Albemarle County in 1746 and 1747, after which he disappears from the Virginia records. The name Robert appears rarely among the Virginia Kidds. No wife or children of Robert Kidd have been identified. All records found for him appear below.

1703 – **Robert Kidd** was baptized on 20 July 1703 in Middlesex County.¹⁰⁵

1725 – 18 August 1725, Essex County court. Jane Kidd and **Robert Kidd** each make oath that they had attended four days as a witness in the suit of Thomas Bryant against James Turner. Thomas was ordered to pay each of them for same, and for three times coming 37 miles with three shillings & nine pence for ferriages, according to Law with costs.¹⁰⁶ [Note: Jane and Robert came from another location to appear in court, perhaps from Middlesex County, though no ferry was necessary to reach court. Jane was Robert's sister and the wife of John Gregory.]

19 August 1725, Essex County court. Both Jane Kidd and **Robert Kidd** made oath that they had attended five days as an evidence for Thos. Bryant against James Turner and three times going 37 miles and 1 shillings & 3 pence for ferriages according to law with costs.¹⁰⁷

¹⁰⁵ Christ Church Parish Register, p. 55.

¹⁰⁶ *Order Book Abstracts of Essex County, Virginia, 1723-1725, Part 2*, by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, 1989, p. 69, citing OB page 304 (Jane) and 305 (for Robert).

¹⁰⁷ *Ibid*, p. 77

Later on the same day, Thomas Bryant was ordered to pay Jane Kidd and **Robert Kidd** for one day's attendance as an Evidence according to Law, with costs.¹⁰⁸

1732/33 – Goochland March Court, 1732/33. Worley vs Kid. The action of Trespass on the case between John Worley Plaintiff, and **Robert Kid**, Defendant is dismiss, the Plaintiff not prosecuting the same.¹⁰⁹

1735 – 13 Sept. 1736. **Robert Kidd** is named in a Henrico County store account for Thomas Tanner, who may have been his employer. “Dr. 1736. 2 levys, 150 acres and new patent for 400 acres.” Various debts and credits listed, with the notation "by the county levy and by the publick levy" followed by the words “Cash pd by **Robt Kidd**.”¹¹⁰ Note: A Patent for Thomas Tanner for 400 acres in Henrico County, north side of Appomattox River, was filed 1 Aug 1734.

1740 – December 1740, Henrico County Court. The petition Exhibited by Thomas Jordan, Plaintiff, agst. **Robert Kid**, Defendant, is dismiss, the Plaintiff failing to prosecute the same.¹¹¹

1743 – Goochland County Court Orders, March 1742/43. Howard vs. Kersey. Action of debt. Allin Howard vs. Edward Kersey. Kersey did not appear in court, judgment awarded to Howard for £3, 11s, 4 1/2 d due by note dated 19 July MDCCXLII [1742].
Next entry: Kid vs. Howard. **Robert Kid** a witness for Allin Howard v Edward Kersy. Howard ordered to pay him 100 pounds tobacco for 4 days attendance.¹¹²

September Court 1743. Joseph Walton vs. **Robert Kidd**, case continued.¹¹³

October Court 1743. William Hamlin vs. **Robert Kidd**, case continued.¹¹⁴

November Court 1743. On the Petition of Joseph Walton against **Robert Kid**, the Defendant pleads Covenants perform'd and the etr. takes Issue thereon.¹¹⁵

1744 – March Court 1743/44. William Hamlin vs. **Robert Kidd**. Kidd not appearing, Hamlin awarded 200 lbs. of tobacco due for 1 year's rent, plus costs and 1/2 of lawyers fees.¹¹⁶ This entry states that the petition had been delivered (“executed”) to the Defendant.

May Court 1744. Action of Trespass. **Robert Kidd** vs. Sam'l Christian. Defendant did not

¹⁰⁸ Ibid, p. 79.

¹⁰⁹ *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 3, 1731-1735*, by Ann K. Blomquist, Heritage Books, 2006, p. 168, citing OB page 141.

¹¹⁰ *Virginia Colonial Abstracts*, vol. III, p. 363: “Henrico County Southside 1736”

¹¹¹ *Virginia in 1740: A Reconstructed Census*, by T.L.C. Genealogy, Miami Beach, FL, 1992.

The record itself is found in Henrico Order Book, 1737-1746, page 130, found on Henrico reel 66, item 3, at the Library of Virginia, May 15, 2019 by RK. Scanned image available.

¹¹² Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 204.

¹¹³ Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 269.

¹¹⁴ Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 305.

¹¹⁵ *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 5, 1741-1745*, by Ann K. Blomquist, Heritage Books, 2007, p. 306, citing OB 5:318.

¹¹⁶ Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 381.

appear. Conditional judgment granted the plaintiff against the plaintiff and the sheriff. Discharge of damages to be awarded if the defendant appears at the next court.¹¹⁷

May Court 1744. Joseph Walton vs. **Robert Kidd**. Suit for £3 due by note dated 25 May MDCCXLIV [1744] "conditioned for the building [of] one house according to the Dimensions therein specified. The parties being heard and the witnesses examined it is considered that the petition be dismissed with costs."¹¹⁸

July Court 1744. The Action of Trespass on the Case between **Robt. Kid**, Plaintiff, and James Christian, Defendant, is continued.¹¹⁹

September Court 1744. On the Petition brought by Samuel Jordan against **Robert Kidd** for 51 shillings and five pence due by account...the Defendant failing to appear though summoned, the Court ruled that the Plaintiff recover this amount, plus costs and half a lawyer's fee.¹²⁰

1745 – Contained in the collection of Cabell Family Papers held at the College of William and Mary's Swem Library is an item titled "Debts of **Robert Kidd**, signed by H. Wood, March 1744-May 1745." Materials in this collection cover Cabell family correspondence and business in Albemarle, Amherst, and Goochland Counties.¹²¹

1746 – Albemarle County 14 Aug 1746 Court. **Robert Kidd** against Samuel Spencer, Tres. x. Aft.(trespass?). The two parties informed the court through their attorneys that they have mutually agreed that this suit be dismissed. Court ordered the dismissal accordingly.¹²² **Robert Kidd** against Samuel Spencer, In Can (?). As above, dismissed by agreement of the parties.¹²³

Albemarle County 15 Aug 1746 Court. **Robert Kidd** was a juror in Albemarle County Court.¹²⁴

Albemarle County 12 Sept 1746 Court. **Robert Kidd** makes oath to five days' attendance as evidence for Richard Fletcher Gregory against Samuel Spencer. Ordered that Gregory do pay the said Kidd 125 lb. for said attendance.¹²⁵

Albemarle County 13 Sept 1746 Court. **Robert Kidd** is allowed for one day's attendance in the same suit, and received an additional 25 lb. tobacco for his attendance.¹²⁶

¹¹⁷ Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 398,

¹¹⁸ Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 404.

¹¹⁹ *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 5, 1741-1745*, by Ann K. Blomquist, Heritage Books, 2007, p. 445, citing OB 5:469.

¹²⁰ *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 5, 1741-1745*, by Ann K. Blomquist, Heritage Books, 2007, p.471, citing OB 5:496.

¹²¹ "Inventory of the Cabell Family Papers 1693-1913, 1743-1823," Manuscripts and Rare Books Dept, Swem Library, College of William and Mary, Collection Number MSS 65 C 12, Box 1, Folder 10.

¹²² FHL microfilm #30255, Item 1 of 2, Albemarle County Order Book, February 1744 - March 1748, p. 146.

¹²³ Ibid.

¹²⁴ Ibid, p. 157.

¹²⁵ Ibid, p. 174.

¹²⁶ Ibid, p. 181.

A survey dated 13 Oct 1746, for **Robert Kidd**, 200 acres on both sides of the Hardware River.¹²⁷ Surveyed by Thomas Turpin, assistant surveyor. N.B.: a Plat of certificate of this land is made out for 200 acres Trent ___ having returned **Kidd** insolvent. Adjoining Thomas Tindell. Plat shows creek.¹²⁸

These surveys covered the period from June 1746 to June 1747.¹²⁹

1747 – At a Court held for Albemarle County 9 July 1747. Joshua Fry, Gentleman Surveyor of this county presents the following List of Surveys made by him from June 1746 to June 1747, which are ordered to be recorded: One of these was a survey for **Robert Kidd**, 200 acres. (citing Albemarle County Court Orders 1744/45-1748, p. 290).¹³⁰

After 1747, Robert Kidd disappears from the Virginia records.

RUTH (PARISH/FARISH) KIDD, the daughter of Henry Parish/Farish¹³¹ and his wife Mary Atkinson¹³² of Goochland County, and wife of John3b Kidd

Born unknown

Married John3b Kidd by 1749 in Goochland County

[Her sister Morning Parish was the second wife of James3 Kidd, brother of John3b Kidd]

Died sometime after the signing of her husband's will on 11 March 1785

1749 – In a deed dated 19 Sept 1749, Henry Parish, of Saint James Parish, Goochland County, “for and in consideration of the love good will and affection I have and do bear toward my loving **Son in Law John Kidd** of the same parish and county,” deeded to **John Kidd** 50 acres on Lickinghole Creek, bounded by Henry Martin, John Sandland, and Henry Parish, to Capt. Michael Holland decd, to Pouncey Anderson, “said land on which the said **Kidd** now

¹²⁷ The Hardware River is in the part of Albemarle County that was carved out to create Fluvanna County in 1777. It is a 23.3-mile-long tributary of the James River, with its upper headwaters in southern current-day Albemarle County, flowing primarily in a southeastern direction in the southwestern corner of Fluvanna County, where it enters the James River about seven miles southeast of Scottsville. (Scottsville is located just inside Fluvanna County on a large bend in the James River, where Albemarle and Buckingham county lines converge with that of Fluvanna County.

¹²⁸ *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.

¹²⁹ Also cited in *The Deeds of Amberst 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.

¹³⁰ *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, vol. 28, p. 275.

¹³¹ This surname is variably written as Parish or Parrish, and occasionally written or deciphered Farish or Farrish.

¹³² We know from Henry Parish's will that his wife's given name was Mary, and that Ruth Parish was one of his daughters.

The will of John Kidd describes land that his wife Ruth inherited on Turkey Creek in Hanover County VA from her maternal grandfather Henry Atkinson. Henry Atkinson patented 520 acres on Turkey Creek, patent dated 15 Jan 1723. See https://lva.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01LVA_INST/altrmk/alma990007180530205756 Recall that Goochland County was created out of Hanover County in 1728.

This record provides good evidence that the John Kidd who died in Albemarle County in 1785 is the same John Kidd who was Henry Parish's son-in-law in Goochland County. It also proves the maiden name of Ruth's mother, Mary Atkinson.

Henry Atkinson received two other land grants in Goochland County, in 1728 and 1730.

lives.” Said land was part of a greater tract which the said Henry Parish purchased of Humphry Parish. Signed the mark of H: Henry Parish (seal). Witnesses John Martin, Tho Harmer, James Winneham (his mark). Deed of “livery of seizin [seisen]” proven 20 Sept 1749 and ordered to be recorded.¹³³

This deed proves that **John Kidd** had married **Ruth Parish, daughter of Henry Parish**, before September 1749, presumably in Goochland County.

1753 – On 3 March 1753, Henry Parish, the father of Ruth and Morning Parish, signed his will in Goochland County.¹³⁴ In it, he bequeathed to his sons, Henry and Solaman [Solomon] “after my wife’s death, the land and plantation whereon I now live to them and their heirs forever and my will is if my wife should marry then the land shall be equally divided betwixt my two sons at the age on twenty-one years.”

Item: To wife Mary all stock and moveable estate “during her widowhood and at her death or marage my will is all stocks and moveble estate only two shillings stirling be equally divided betwixt my wife and seven children Mary, Morning, Elizabeth, Jerusa, Henry, Sarah, and Solaman [Solomon].

Item: I give unto my dafter **Ruth** one shilling sterling. Item: I give unto my dafter Ann one shilling sterling.”

I constitute and appoint my son in law John Green my executor and my wife my executrix...” Signed Henry Parish [H his mark] [seal]

Witnesses were John Parish [his mark], David Massie, John Green

This will was proven in court by the oath of John Parish and ordered to be recorded on 20 Nov 1753.

1758 – On 19 Sept 1758, Norman [John Norman] Kidd, son of John Kid and **Ruth Parish**, was born; he was baptized 15 Oct 1758 by the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.¹³⁵

1785 – We’ve found no further records specifically naming Ruth (Parish) Kidd until 1785, when she is mentioned by name in her husband’s Albemarle County will, which he signed on 11 March 1785:¹³⁶

In the name of god, amen

I **John Kidd** of Albemarle County being in a low state of bodily health but in the full exercise of my reason so make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following [indecipherable] I bequeath my body to the grave by a decent burial at the discretion of my Executors.

Item I refer that all my Just debts be paid

Item I lend to **my beloved wife Ruth** during her natural life the land whereon I now live together with all the stock and household Furniture

Item I give to my two Eldest Sons John Norman and William to be equally [divided] between them one Certain Tract or Parcel of Land lying in Hanover County on Turkey Creek Commonly known by the name of Napiers Ordinary which Said land was given to **my**

¹³³ Goochland County Deed Book 6, pp. 27-28, retrieved from FHL #31655, item 1 (images 32-33 of 719). Scanned images available from the authors.

¹³⁴ This will was recorded in Goochland County, VA Deed Book 6, pages 324-325, and was retrieved from FHL #31655, image 181 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

¹³⁵ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 53 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

¹³⁶ Albemarle County, VA Will Book 3, pages 4-5, retrieved from FHL #30212, image 256 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

wife Ruth and to the heirs of her body lawfull begotton by her grand father Henry [At]kinson
Item after my wife Decease I give and bequeath to my Son James the land stock household Furniture [I] lent her
I appoint as Executors of this my last will and Testament my Sons John Norman Kidd & William Kidd
Abrogating and dissolving all former wills by me made and declaring this to be my last will and Testament in Witness whereof I have here unto Set my hand and Seal this 11th Day of March one Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty five
Joseph Kidd [**John Kidd**]¹³⁷

Signed and Sealed
in presence of: John Wharton
Edw[Edward] X Kearsey
Benj.[Benjamin] X Kidd

At Albemarle September Court 1785 –
This will was proved by the Oath of John Wharton, Edward Kearsey & Benjamin Kidd, three witnesses thereto and Ord[Ordered] to be Recorded
Test
Martin D[indecipherable]

This record confirms that Ruth (Parish) Kidd was still living in 1785.
We've found no further records for her, and do not know when or where she died.

SALLY KIDD, the daughter of James Kidd and Mourning Parish/Farish

1761 – On 3 Feb 1761, **Sally Kidd**, daughter of James Kidd and Mourning Parish, was born. She was baptized 29 Mar 1761 by the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.¹³⁸

TANDY K. KIDD, the son of Jesse Kidd, War of 1812 soldier from Fluvanna County, VA and his wife Mary Cannon Bugg

Born about 1810 in Virginia, most likely in Fluvanna County¹³⁹
Married Mary E. Pleasants, the daughter of Joseph E. and Mary E. Pleasants in Goochland County in December 1832
Migrated to Washington County, Arkansas by 1841 and died there in 1862

Tandy K. Kidd left records in Albemarle County (1830), Fluvanna and Goochland Cos (1831-1832), Campbell County, VA (1835-1844), Amherst County, VA (1837 & 1844), and Washington County, Arkansas (1841-1862).

1832 – 12 December 1832. Goochland County Marriage bond for **Tandy K. Kidd** and Mary E. Pleasants. Bondsman Joseph E. Pleasants. Signed **Tandy K. Kidd**. Consent to marriage for Tandy Kidd to marry Mary E. Pleasants dated 12 December 1832 given by Joseph E.

¹³⁷ This will bears the title "Will of John Kidd" in the record itself, but the name listed as the signer at the bottom clearly says "Joseph Kidd." We believe that this was a clerk's error in transcribing the original will into Will Book 3.

¹³⁸ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 82 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

¹³⁹ His parents married in Amherst County., but his father, Jesse was in Fluvanna County. by 1809, appearing on the annual PPTLs there.

Pleasants, indicating that Mary E. was a minor, and could not consent herself. Signed Jos E. Pleasants and Elizabeth S. Pleasants.¹⁴⁰

Note: The minister's return lists the groom's name as Tandy R. Kidd, but the majority of records for this man name him as Tandy K. Kidd.

¹⁴⁰ Goochland County, VA Marriage Bonds, Loose Papers, Circuit Clerk's Office, Goochland Court House. Marriage Bond and consent to marry signed by the father of the bride.

APPENDIX: SOURCES INCLUDED IN THE CREATION OF THIS DOCUMENT:

The following sources of genealogical and historical information on Goochland County have been identified, using the web sites of 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 **red font** have yet to be reviewed and mined for Kidd entries.

PRIMARY SOURCES

1. Goochland County. Tithables, 1730-1809 (Library of Virginia Reels 81, 82 & 83), reviewed via interlibrary loan through SPL by RK.
Reel 81 – 1730-1757
Reel 82 – 1756-1766 – No Kidds
Reel 83 – 1767-1780 – No Kidds
Goochland County Personal Property Tax Lists (PPTLs), 1782-1850 (LDS microfilms examined by SKK at Tucker GA Family History Center, May 2011)
[Note: No Kidds are found on the Goochland County PPTLs after 1814, except one: Madison Kidd appears in 1845 with 1 WT 16+, may appear in 1846 (dark film not legible), and appears in 1847 with 1 WT 16+.]
2. Goochland County Land Tax Lists (LTLs) 1782-1817A, 1817B-1850 (LOV ILL reels 120 and 121) – reviewed by RK 13 Dec. 2013 – no Kidds.
3. **Goochland County Land Plats, 1783-1812** (FHL #1928588, now available via familysearch, but only at a Family History Center.)
This microfilm contained no index, and appeared to contain several counties' land plats, in random order. We decided to forego this resource.
4. Goochland County Virginia Deed Book, 1809-1813 (Superior Court of Law), 6 pp. – LoV reel 55 – no index, but only 6 pages. No Kidds on those pages.
5. Deed Books:
General Index to deeds, wills, etc., 1728-1839, Grantors A-Z –FHL #31651 (519 images). Ks start on image 234. Only TWO deeds (already added to BD):
Aug 17, 1750 John Kidd to Robert Allen: DB 6:88-90, and
March 31, 1804 Pitman Kidd and wife to Samuel Richardson: DB 19:187-188

General Index to deeds, wills, etc., 1729-1839, Grantees A-Z – FHL #31652 (524 images) – Kidds (1) on image 242: Sept. 19, 1749 John Kidd from Henry Parrish: DB 6:27-28. No other Kidd deeds in this index.

Goochland Deed Book 6, 1749-1754, FHL #31655, item 1, pages 27-28 (images 32-33 of 719); and pages 88-90 (images 63-64 of 719)
Goochland Deed Book 19, 1804-1807, FHL #31660, item 1, pages 187-188 (image 111 of 757)
6. **Processioners returns, 1795-1820**, FHL #31688, item 3 (images 228-315 on this reel) No index, not reviewed.
7. Index to Ended Chancery Causes, 1800-1949 (Each volume is divided into sections for plaintiffs (or complainants) and defendants. Gives names of plaintiff (or complainant) and defendant, date, file number). LoV reel 48 – two separate indexes – complainants & defendants. NO Kidds before 1879.
8. *Goochland County. Chancery Court causes, 1731-1912* from the Chancery Records Index at the Library of Virginia's web site: <http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/default.asp#res>

Only two cases prior to 1881 that mention the surname of Kidd in this database:

1808-014 – Mary Richardson v Admr. of Samuel Richardson, and

1832-003 – Admr. of William Wood v. Robert Ware, etc.

Both of these have been reviewed and added to this document.

9. **Goochland County, Virginia Guardians Accounts, 1794-1822.**

FHL #31688, item 2. Images 176-226 on this reel; **no index**. Not reviewed.

10. **Goochland County Court Records**

Goochland County Order Books 1-9, reviewed and abstracted by Craig Kilby in April 2007.

NOTE: OBs 1-3 (covering 1728-1735) contain no Kidd entries. Craig reported that the index for OB 4, 1735-1741, was damaged but there did not appear to be any Kidd entries. He made abstracts of Kidd entries found in OBs 5-7, 1741-1757 and reported no entries in OBs 8-9, 1757-1765. [Note: photocopy of Cheadle v. Godby [and Baskett and Kidd] in files, photocopies of K page of Index to Order Book 5 and Kidd OBs 5, 6, 7 entries in files.

11. Order Books 10-11, 1765-1771, FHL #31674

OB 10: 434 images, index – NO KIDDS (image 11)

OB 11 – starts on image 136; index. No Kidds (image 143)

Order Books 12-13, 1771-1779 – FHL #31675

OB 12 – indexed; no Kidds (image 11)

OB 13 – indexed; no Kidds (image 298)

Order Books 14-15, 1779-1787, FHL #31676

OB 14 – indexed. No Kidds (image 15)

OB 15 – indexed. No Kidds (image 237)

Order Book 16, 1787, index, 451 pp. – LoV reel 27, item 1 – browsed entire index (not just Ks) – no Kidds

Order Book 17, 1787-1788, index, 367 pp. – LoV reel 27, item 2 – No K section in index; no Kidds spotted in rest of index

Order Book 18, 1788-1791, index, 731 pp. – LoV reel 28, item 1 – no Kidds in K section; too long and dark to browse entire index for Kidds, so not examined.

Order Book 19, 1791-1794, index, 758 pp. – LoV reel 28, item 2 – no Kidds in K section

Order Book 20, 1795-1797, index, 564 pp. – LoV reel 29, item 1 – no Kidds in K section

Order Book 21, 1797-1799, index, 555 pp. – LoV reel 29, item 2 – no Kidds in K section

Order Book 22, 1799-1801, index, 750 pp. – LoV reel 30, item 1

Order Book 23, 1801-1803, index, 650 pp. – LoV reel 30, item 2

Order Book 24, 1803-1805 & Minute Book 1803-1807 (seems to be a rough minute book for vols. 23-25) – FHL #31681. Two entries for Pitman & Agnes Kidd.

Minutes, 1803-1807 (starts on image 400) – no index – not browsed

Order Books 25-26, 1806-1808 – FHL #31682

Order Book 25 – no index in front (but starts on p. 49) or at end (image 300)

OB 26 – index at front; Ks on image 310 – no Kidds

Order Book 27, 1809-1810, index, pp 29-364 missing! – LoV reel 33, item 1

Order Book 28, 1810-1813, index, 634 pp. – LoV reel 33, item 2

Order Book 29, 1813-1817, index, 582 pp. – LoV reel 34, item 1

Order Book 30, 1819-1825, index, 455 pp. – LoV reel 34, item 2

Order Book 31, 1825-1830, index, 544 pp. – LoV reel 35, item 1

Order Book 32, 1831-1836, index, 525 pp. – LoV reel 35, item 2

Order Books 1836-1852 – FHL #31686, 574 images

Record Book Orders, 1836-1844 (starts on image 4); index – no Kidds (image 14)

Record Order Book, 1844-1852 (starts on image 264); index – no Kidds (image 274)

Superior Court of Law Order Book, 1809-1822, index, 615 pp. – LoV reel 46
(Did not review since Kidds left Goochland by 1800)

Complete records, 1805-1817, FHL #31688, item 1 (1-174 of 316)
No index – NOT BROWSED

Fiduciary Records, I-M, 1728-1799 – LoV reel 88 – no Kidds in Index

Fiduciary Records, John-K, 1800-1899 – LoV reel 105

Fiduciary Records, K-L, 1800-1899 – LoV reel 106

12. Abstracts from U.S. Federal Goochland County VA censuses, 1810-1860 (online images, Ancestry.com) (1790 and 1800 census lists for Virginia are not extant)
1810 – only Jesse Kidd
1820, 1830, 1840 – NO Kidds on these federal censuses in Goochland County.
1850 – only the household of Nancy Kidd on this federal census.
13. **Marriages**
Goochland County Marriage Register, 1730-1850. 3 reels at the Library of Virginia.
Index to Marriage Register, 1730-1853 (VLS compilation), 176 pp – LoV reel 38.

SECONDARY SOURCES (arranged alphabetically by **author**) (those with black text have been abstracted and all Kidd entries in them have been added to this document; those in **red font** have not been examined yet):

1. *Virginia Revolutionary Claims*, compiled and transcribed by Janice L. **Abercrombie** and Richard Slatten, Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, 1992 (three volumes in 1, 1113 pages) – No Kidds found for Goochland County.
2. *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 3, 1731-1735*, by Anne K. **Blomquist**, Heritage Books, 2006. (see also the T.L.C. Genealogy publication covering the same period)
3. *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 4, 1735-1741*, by Anne K. **Blomquist**, Heritage Books, 2010.
4. *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 5, 1741-1745*, by Anne K. **Blomquist**, Heritage Books, 2007.
5. *Southam Parish land processioning, 1747-1784; Goochland, Cumberland and Powhatan Counties, Virginia*, by Anne K. **Blomquist**, Willow Bend Books, 2004 – No Kidds in index.
Roster of War of 1812, Southside Virginia, by James L. **Douthat**, Mountain Press, 2007.
6. *Virginia Marriages, 1740-1850*, at **familysearch.org**
7. *St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County, Virginia computer printout: births or christenings, 1705-1797*, **Family History Library**, FHL# 883694, item 5. 1182 images on this reel.
This resource lists five births recorded; see Goochland Births folder on Dropbox, within the Goochland Source Documents folder.
8. *Early Virginia families along the James River: their deep roots and tangled branches Vol. 1. Henrico and Goochland Counties*, compiled and published by Louise Pledge Heath **Foley**, Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, MD, 1979 (reprint of 1974 edition. No Kidds in index.
9. *Central Virginia land patents from the county abstracts for Goochland, Albemarle, Cumberland, Buckingham, and Amberst counties in the Virginia Land Office 1735-1774*, by Eric G. **Grundset** and Paula Hollis Grundset, Fairfax, Va. : E.G. Grundset, 1999. Only one Kidd citation, for Aaron Kidd, Albemarle County., 1763 (p.78). None in other counties.

10. *Grave Sites and Cemeteries in Goochland County, Virginia, 1990*, compiled by Ann K. **Hamner**, Goochland, VA, 1990 (LoV, July 2018. No Kidds prior to 1850.)
 11. *Grave Sites and Cemeteries in Goochland County, Virginia, 2013*, compiled by the Goochland County Historical Society, 2013. (LoV, July 2018. No early Kidds)
 12. *Abstracts of Wills from Goochland County, Virginia 1727-1777*, by Margaret V. **Henley** & Cecilia Bullard, Goochland County. Historical Society, 1990. Obtained via ILL, 9 August 2018 – relevant pages scanned and in Goochland Sources folder. One Kidd entry.
 13. *St. James Northam Parish Vestry Book, 1744-1850, Goochland County, Virginia, abstracted from a copy in the Virginia State Library*, by William Lindsay **Hopkins**, Athens, GA, 1993.
No Kidds in Index. See also Family History Library source, above, which DID cite 5 birth records for Goochland County.
 14. *Goochland County Virginia order books I & II: May 21, 1728-September 21, 1731*, by Dennis Ray **Hudgins**, Goochland County Historical Society (transcriptions of these order books, apparently), 1997. No Kidds in the index to this large volume.
F232.G65 H78 1997
 15. *Goochland County, Virginia marriage bonds and ministers' returns, 1816-1854*, by Thomas Proctor **Hughes**, Memphis, TN, 1972. Only one entry (Tandy Kidd) in this book.
 16. *The Douglas Register, being a detailed record of births, marriages and deaths together with other interesting notes, as kept by the Rev. William Douglas, from 1750 to 1797*, transcribed and edited by William MacFarlane **Jones**. Covers St. James Northam Parish, Episcopal Church, where Rev. Douglas ministered. Genealogical Publishing Company, Baltimore MD, 1966. NOTE: This book has been digitized and indexed at Ancestry.com; to understand what records the Register covers, it is helpful to read the book's preface (images 1-10 at Ancestry).
- NOTE: There is a section in this book titled "Implied Marriages," where the date given for the couple is the date that Rev. Douglas first noted a baptism or birth for a child of the couple. This is not a marriage date, nor is it necessarily the date of birth/baptism of their oldest child, nor did the event necessarily occur in Goochland County, as the Rev. Douglas also recorded baptisms performed on families from adjacent counties.
17. *Virginia Kidds Serving in Wartime, 1800-1848*, by William R. **Kidd**. – No Kidds from Goochland County.
 18. *Goochland County Tithes, 1735-1747 and 1748-1749*, by A. Jean Larvey, published by author, Springfield MO, 1979. SKK note: reviewed by Craig **Kilby** 2007. Note: A transcript of these lists can be found at http://www.stevendenney.com/uploads/goochland_county_tithe_lists.pdf
 19. *St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County, Virginia computer printout: births or christenings, 1705-1797*, (**LDS** product) 1975, FHL# 883694, item 5. Four Kidd births cited, all incorporated in this document, with an image of this listing in the Goochland Sources folder, May 14, 2018.
 20. *Goochland County Insolvents, 1734-1784*, by Barbara Vines **Little**, *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy* 49(1):51-56, Feb. 2011. – reviewed at SPL by RK 12 Aug 2013 – no Kidds.
 21. *Goochland County, Virginia Tithe Lists, 1735-1747*, transcribed, indexed and published by A. Jean Larvey, Springfield, MO, 1979 (LoV, July 2018) – one entry (John Kid) scanned
 22. *Goochland County Road Orders, 1728-1744*, by Nathaniel Mason **Pawlett**, Charlottesville, VA, 1975. http://www.virginiadot.org/vtrc/main/online_reports/pdf/75-r71.pdf

23. *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865. v. 7. Counties of Amelia, Brunswick, Cumberland, Goochland, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nottoway, Powhatan, and Prince Edward*, by Wesley E. **Pippenger**, Virginia Genealogical Society, Richmond, VA, 2001. – No Kidd entries from Goochland County.
24. “Index to Goochland County Marriage Records, 1730-1799,” by James **Richmond**, published in the *Goochland County Historical Magazine*, Vol. 41, pages 104-147, 2009.
No Kidd entries in this article, per Library of Virginia (interlibrary loan request).
25. “Index to Goochland County Marriage Records, 1800-1859,” by James **Richmond**, published in the *Goochland County Historical Magazine*, Vol. 40, pages 58-155, 2008.
Obtained via interlibrary loan. Only one Kidd marriage (Tandy K. Kidd)
26. *Goochland County, Virginia Marriage Bonds, 1730-1854*, by Joel **Ricks**. (SGS) – 1 Kidd entry, for Tandy K. Kidd. No Kidds found in Brides section.
27. *Goochland County, specific tax, 1781*, transcribed by Craig R. **Scott** (in Magazine of Virginia Genealogy, Orange, VA, vol. 53, no. 2 (May 2015), pp. 145-150) – no Kidds.
28. *A research index to the Douglas Register: St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County, Virginia*, Fred **Sorrell**, editor, Goochland County Historical Society, 2005. This is an index only, but contained several references to Kidds; all appeared on Ancestry.com’s search engine, where the Douglas Register is viewable, searchable and browsable.
29. *Goochland County Land Tax Books 1782-1788*, edited and published by Ruth & Sam **Sparacio**, McLean, VA – no Kidds in index.
30. *Goochland County Land Tax Books 1789-1794*, edited and published by Ruth & Sam **Sparacio**, McLean, VA – no Kidds in index.
31. *Virginia in 1740: A Reconstructed Census*, **TLC** Genealogy, Miami Beach, FL, 1992.
32. *Virginia in 1760: A Reconstructed Census*, by **T.L.C.** Genealogy, Miami Beach, FL, 1996. (No Kidds in Goochland County. in this book)
33. *Goochland County Virginia Deeds, 1741-1745*, **T.L.C.** Genealogy, Miami Beach, FL, 1990.
One entry (John Kidd); no others.
34. *Goochland County, Virginia Court Orders*, **T.L.C.** Genealogy, Miami Beach, FL, 1991 (two volumes: vol. 1 1728-1735, every-name index of OBs 1-3; vol. 2 1735-1737, abstracts of OB 4, pp. 1-179).
35. “Goochland County Tithables, 1735,” by the **Virginia** Genealogical Society, published in *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, vol. 46, issue 3, August 2008, pages 235-236.
No Kidds on this list.
36. *Goochland County Virginia Wills & Deeds* (three volumes, and titles vary slightly by volume), by Benjamin B. **Weisiger** III [LDS microfiche, reviewed by RK at Bellevue, WA FHC on June 6, 2013]:
 - a) volume 1: 1728-1736 (Wills & Deeds, books 1 & 2) – no Kidds.
 - b) volume 2: 1736-1742 (Wills & Deeds, book 3) – 3 Kidd entries
 - c) volume 3: 1742-1749 (wills only, from deed books 4 & 5) – no Kidds.
37. *Marriages to Goochland County, Virginia, 1733-1815*, by Kathleen Booth **Williams**, 1960 (SPL& SGS). No Kidds.
38. *The Story of Goochland*, by Richard C. **Wright**, Richmond Press, 1935, 51 pages. Digitized at Ancestry.com. Online search 16 Jun 2013 by SKK found no mentions of Kidds.
39. Dropbox Statewide shared folder for mentions pertaining to this County: Kidd mentions in the *Virginia Genealogist*, Vols. 1-50 – No Kidds in Goochland County references.

APPENDIX TWO: 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.¹⁴¹ **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 Parish¹⁴², and a large landowner of 324 acres of property on the Slate River in Buckingham County, died by 1804. Known sons: James¹⁴³,

¹⁴¹ 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

¹⁴² 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

¹⁴³ Listed on the 1790 Buckingham County PPTL as "James, son of John."

Joseph¹⁴⁴, Sherwood¹⁴⁵, Absalom¹⁴⁶, Archibald/Archer¹⁴⁷, Edmond¹⁴⁸, William¹⁴⁹. 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 1807.¹⁵⁰ 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."¹⁵¹ 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.¹⁵²
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.¹⁵³

We believe this to be the Benjamin Kidd who is found in Pittsylvania County, VA and Surry County, NC¹⁵⁴, 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

¹⁴⁴ Named as a son of John in the Kidd v. Kidd suit

¹⁴⁵ Named as a son of John in the Kidd v. Kidd suit; listed as "Archibald, son of John" in 1797 Buckingham County PPTL.

¹⁴⁶ listed as "Absalom, son of John" in the 1797 Buckingham County PPTL.

¹⁴⁷ listed as "Archibald, son of John" in the 1797 Buckingham County PPTL.

¹⁴⁸ 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.

¹⁴⁹ listed as "William, son of John" in the 1799 Buckingham County PPTL.

¹⁵⁰ 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.

¹⁵¹ 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

¹⁵² See William4 Kidd's section of the Buckingham County BD for details.

¹⁵³ 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.

¹⁵⁴ 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 1803.¹⁵⁵
7. **Judith**, m James Quarles¹⁵⁶
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.¹⁵⁷
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.¹⁵⁸

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.¹⁵⁹ 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

¹⁵⁵ 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.

¹⁵⁶ 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.

¹⁵⁷ Stokes County, NC Deed Book 9, p 257.

¹⁵⁸ 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).

¹⁵⁹ 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:

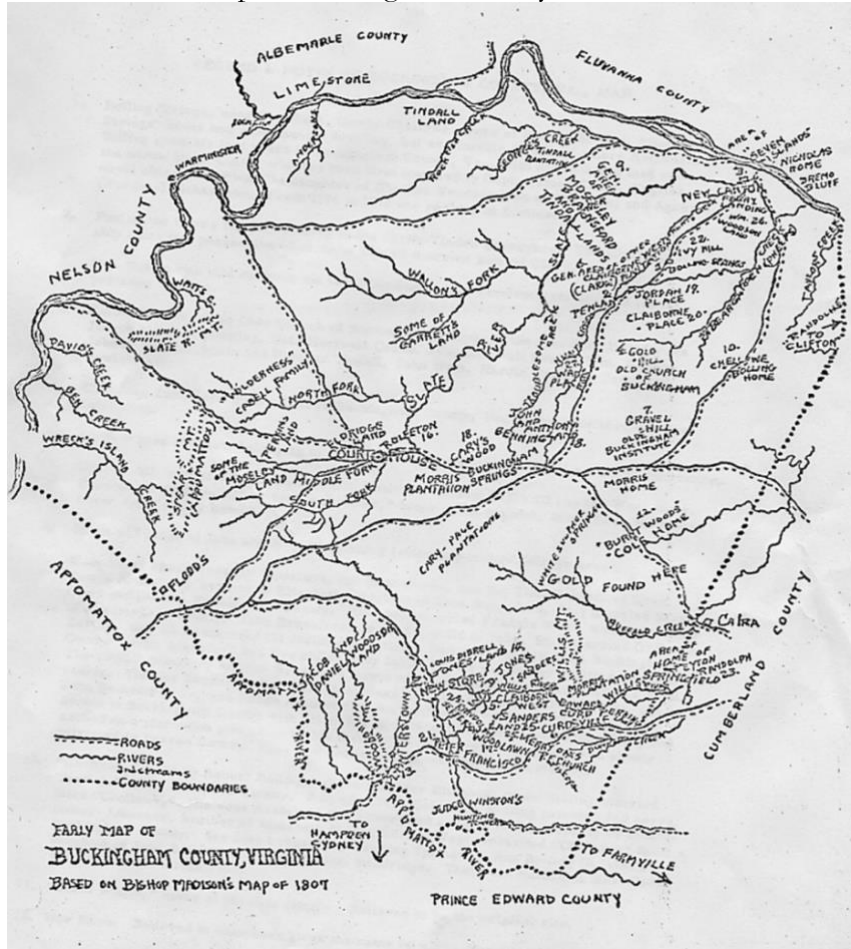


FIGURE: Early map of Buckingham County, showing its waterways, and its borders with neighboring counties. See next page for an enlargement of the NE portion of the county.

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:

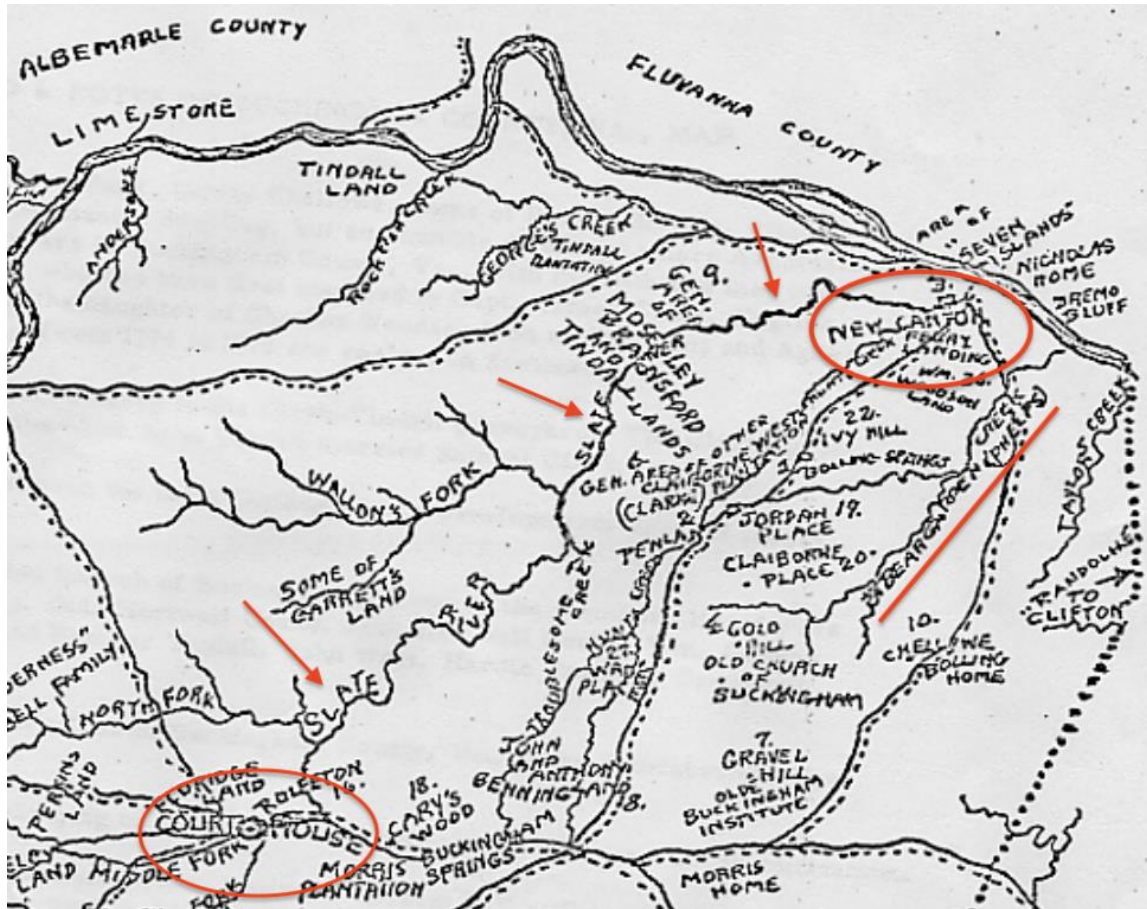


FIGURE: Cropped image of the previous Figure, showing the NE area of Buckingham County. The community of New Canton is in the upper right of this image, within the oval. The County Courthouse is marked by the oval in the lower left corner. Bear Garden (Phelps) Creek is underlined with the diagonal line 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.¹⁶⁰

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

¹⁶⁰ 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.”¹⁶¹

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.¹⁶² 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.¹⁶³ However, Robert Kidd likely did not retain possession of this land, since a note on the plat reads “Kidd insolvent.”¹⁶⁴

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.¹⁶⁵ John Kidd was named in several deeds (1752,¹⁶⁶ 1756,¹⁶⁷ 1760,¹⁶⁸ and 1761¹⁶⁹) as a landowner or neighboring landowner in Albemarle County.¹⁷⁰

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.¹⁷¹

¹⁶¹ Ibid. See this William’s section of this document for specifics.

¹⁶² 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.

¹⁶³ *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.

¹⁶⁴ 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.

¹⁶⁵ 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.

¹⁶⁶ *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].

¹⁶⁷ 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.

¹⁶⁸ 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.

¹⁶⁹ 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.

¹⁷⁰ See their entries in the Albemarle BD for more information.

¹⁷¹ *Deed and Will Abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia (1748-1752)*, compiled by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean VA, 1990, p. 51.

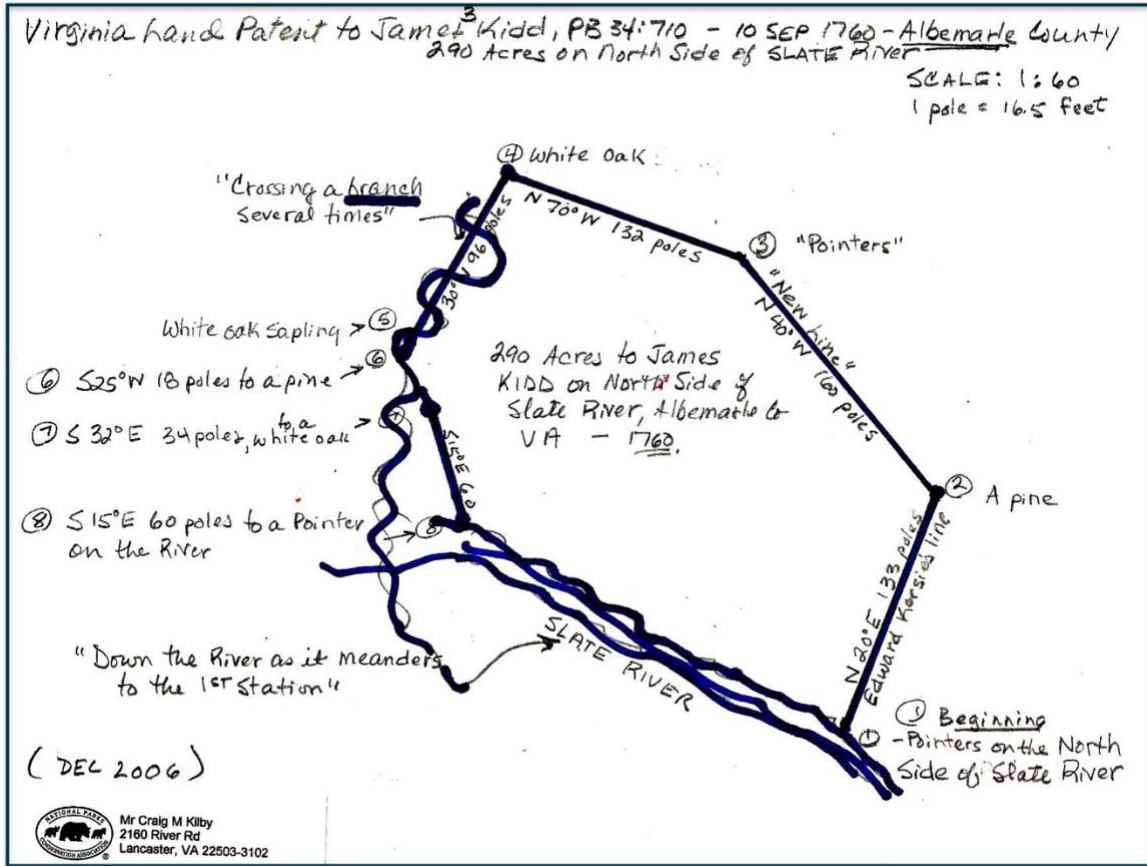


FIGURE: Land plat of James Kidd, 1760, Albemarle County, drawn by Craig Kilby, researcher, Lancaster County, VA

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 1812.¹⁷²

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

¹⁷² 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.¹⁷³ 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 1756.¹⁷⁴ Mary Kidd, daughter of James Kidd [published as Caid] and Morning Parish, was born 11 Jan 1759 and baptized 18 Feb 1759.¹⁷⁵ Sally Kidd, daughter of James Kidd and Morning Parish, was born 3 Feb 1761 and was baptized 29 Mar 1761.¹⁷⁶

Two of these daughters – Dicea/Dicey and Sarah/Sally – also appear in the list of siblings of

¹⁷³ *The Douglas Register*, pp. 30, 80, citing p. 2 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

¹⁷⁴ *The Douglas Register*, p. 167, citing p. 49 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

¹⁷⁵ *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 54 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

¹⁷⁶ *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 MSX 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.