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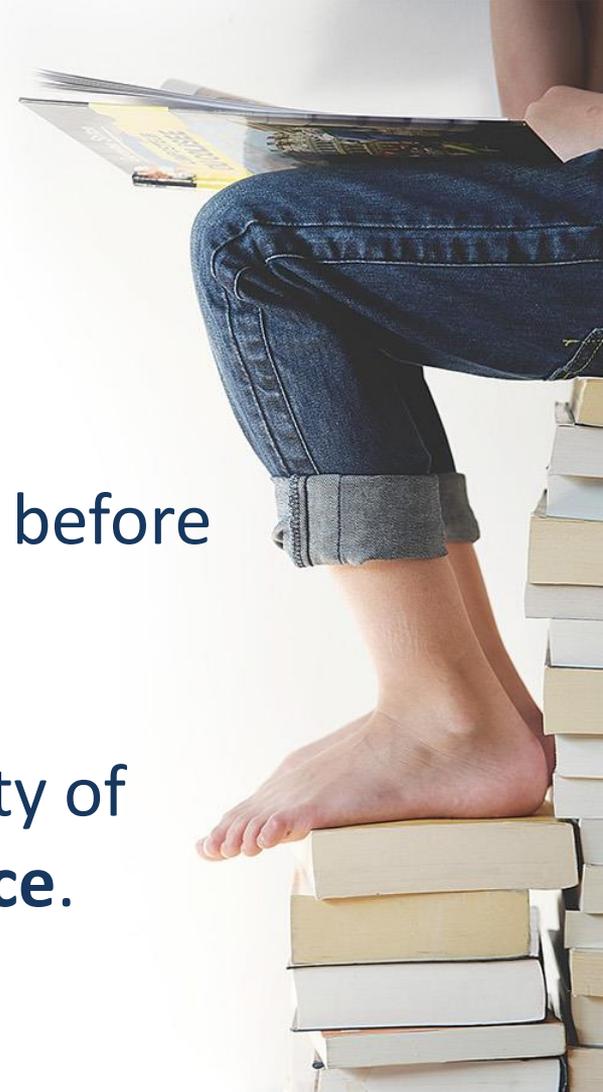
How to Analyze Documents for Important Clues

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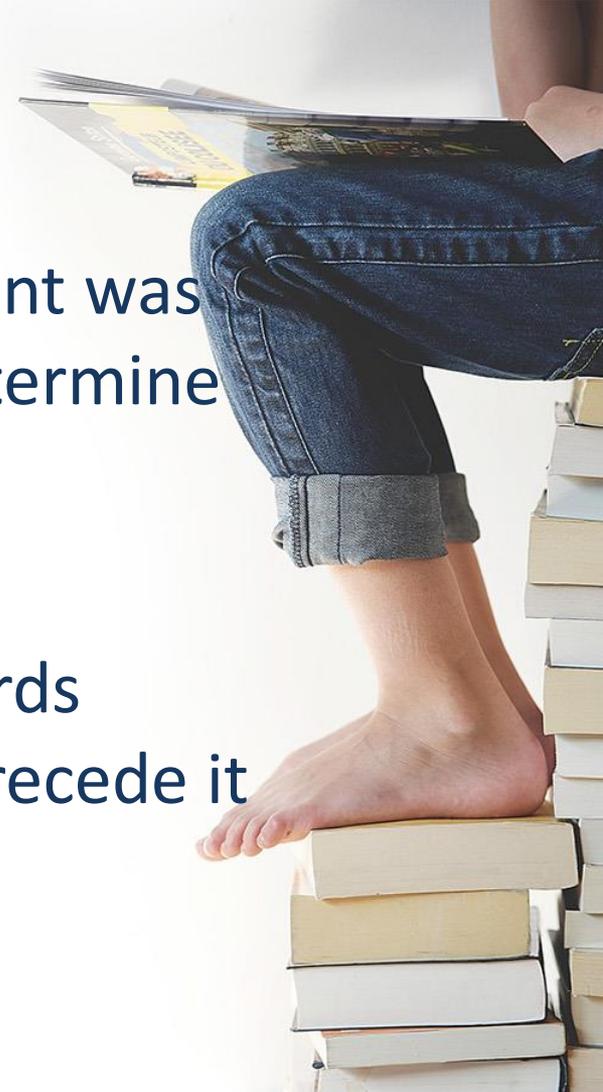
Basics of Research

- Start with self and work back
- Put people in a place at a time
- Must fully document each generation, before researching next generation back.
- Must evaluate the reliability and validity of information **from more than one source.**
- **Cannot make assumptions.**



Basics of Research

- Understanding the reason the document was created and by who/what can help determine the reliability.
- When a record exists, what other records might have been created that either precede it or follow it?



MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING

NOTE: THIS FORM WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

8. Every item of information should be carefully explained. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. FATHERS should state CAUSE OF DEATH of back of certificate. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
COMMONWEALTH OF GEORGIA
Bureau of Vital Statistics
STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

File No.—For State Registrar Only
1066

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County of Muscogee

Militia District of _____

or Inc. Town of Columbus

City of Columbus (No. Waldwood Circle)

2 FULL NAME William Carter

(If deceased child give surname preceded by "Unnamed")

Registered No. 4 (For use of Local Registrar)

(If death occurred in a hospital or institution give the NAME, location of street and number.)

Residence In City: Yrs. Mos. Days

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 MALE OR FEMALE Male
(Write the word)

4 COLOR OR RACE White

5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED Single
(Write the word)

6 DATE OF BIRTH

7 AGE 37

IF LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.

8 OCCUPATION

(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Physician

(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or Country)

Columbus Ga

10 NAME OF FATHER

Robt. E. Carter

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country)

Georgia

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER

Lila Redd

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country)

Georgia

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) Robt. E. Carter

(Address) Columbus Ga

15

Filed 1918

LOCAL REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

14 DATE OF DEATH Oct 12th 1918
(Month) (Day) (Year)

15 I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from Oct 11 1918 to Oct 12 1918 that I last saw him alive on Oct 12 1918 and that death occurred on the date stated above, at 4:15 p.m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

Septicemia

Contributory (SECONDARY)

In this death attributed to dangerous or unsanitary conditions or employment?

21 WAS AN AUTOPSY PERFORMED? No

(Signed) J. S. Handwerker
1918 (Address) City Hospital

*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or, in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL or HOMICIDAL.

(18) LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Seasonal Residence)

At place of death: yrs. mos. da. In the State: yrs. mos. da.

Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? Northwestern

Former or usual residence: Columbus Ga

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR CREMATION

DATE OF BURIAL

Columbus Ga

Oct 13 1918

20 UNDERTAKER

ADDRESS

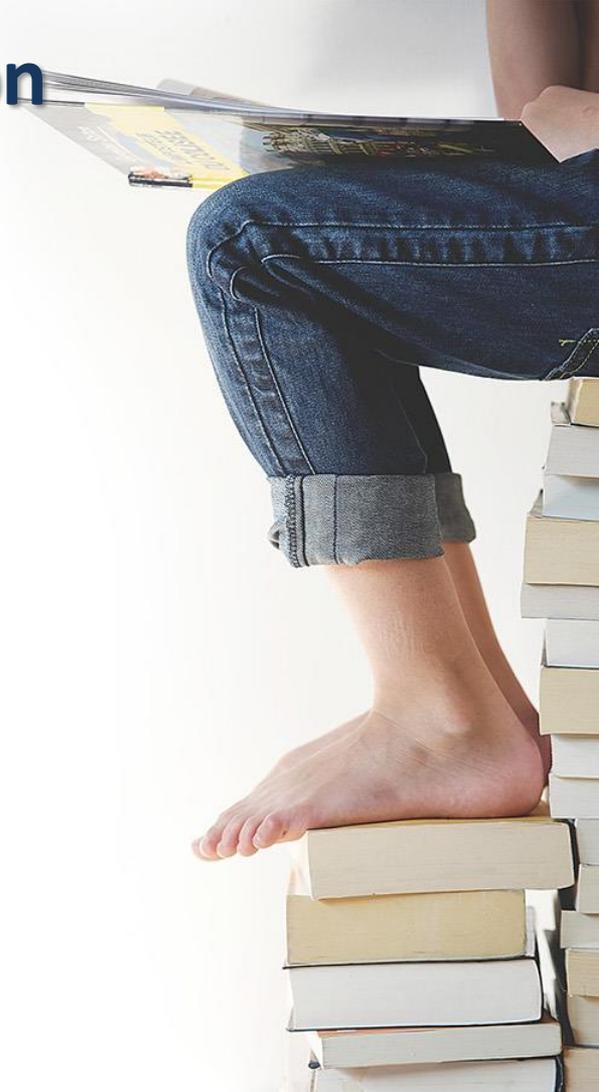
C. Corbett

Columbus Ga

Death Certificates, Vital Records, Public Health, RG 26-5-95, Georgia Archives, https://vault.georgiaarchives.org/digital/collection/ga_deaths/id/332999/rec/6. Accessed September 11, 2020.

What is the primary information on this death certificate?

1. Information about the death - Date of death, cause of death, etc.
2. Name of informant
3. Date certificate filled out
4. Name of doctor



- **What information is missing from this document that we might think this informant could have reliably provided?**



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WRITE PLAINLY WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in full terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statements of OCCUPATION are very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

1 PLACE OF DEATH
County of Muscogee
Militia District of _____
or
Inc. Town of Columbus Registration District No. _____
or
City of Colquhoun (No. Willard Circle) (Ward) _____
2 FULL NAME William Carter
(If unnamed child give surname preceded by "Unnamed")

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
COMMONWEALTH OF GEORGIA
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STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

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1066

Registered No. 4
(For use of Local Registrar)

(If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution give its NAME instead of street and number.)

Residence in City _____ Yrs. _____ Mos. _____ Days _____

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 MALE OR FEMALE Male
4 COLOR OR RACE White
5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, Single

6 DATE OF BIRTH _____
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 27
IF LESS than 1 day, _____

8 OCCUPATION
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Physician
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (as employer) _____

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or Country) Columbus Ga

PARENTS
10 NAME OF FATHER Robt. E. Carter
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country) Georgia
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Lila Redd
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country) Georgia

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15 Filed _____ 191_____ LOCAL REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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(Month) (Day) (Year) 1918

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The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Influenza

Contributory (SECONDARY) _____

In this death attributed to dangerous or unsanitary conditions or employment? _____

21 WAS AN AIRBOY FORMERLY? No
(Signed) J. T. Nard...
121 (Address) City Hospital

*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or, in deaths from UNKNOWN CAUSES, state (1) MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL or HOMICIDAL.

(18) LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospital, Institution, Transients, or Recent Residents)
At place of death _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. In the State _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
Where was disease contracted? _____
If not at place of death? _____
Former or usual residence Columbus Ga

18 PLACE OF BURIAL OR CREMATION Columbus Ga DATE OF BURIAL Oct 13 1918
TO BE TAKEN BY K. Corbett ADDRESS Columbus Ga

Death Certificates, Vital Records, Public Health, RG 26-5-95, Georgia Archives, [https://vault. georgiaarchive s.org/digital/co llection/gadeat hs/id/332999/r ec/6](https://vault.georgiaarchive.org/digital/collection/gadeaths/id/332999/rec/6). Accessed September 11, 2020.

Based on info in this document, where else can we look for additional information?

1. Newspapers
2. Cemetery records, cemetery books, FindAGrave, Billion Graves, funeral home records
3. World War I Draft Registration Cards
4. Probate records, Deeds



"Georgia Probate Records, 1742-1990," database with images, FamilySearch

(<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89Q4-SSZR?cc=1999178&wc=9SBJ-168%3A267648401%2C267946701> : 20 May 2014), Clarke > Estates 1797-1949 Tarpley,

Richard-Waters, J. P. > image 750 – 751 of 1403; citing Clarke County Probate Court Judge, Georgia.

Georgia
Clarke
County
Said Court
somet & appraised and set apart out of the Estate
of Olisha Tiller Decd. the following for the one
years support of Sabitha Tiller & her three
Minor Children being the Widow & Children
of Said Decedent

To Wit

4 Beds & Bedding	\$65.00
1 Lot Bedquits	14.00
1 Pine chest	1.50
1 Pine table	0.50
1 Mah & Looking glass	2.00
1 Lot Pot wear	4.00
1 Pine table	.25
1 Shining wheel	2.00
1 Sett plates & 1 Sett Cup & saucers	60
1 Sett knives & forks	75
1 Cupboards	1.25
1 Lot Mows	5.00
3 Pleas	3.00

2 cows & calves 150.00
1 Small goat Opens 75.00
8 Small hooters 40.00
3 do do 6.00
1 cow & kid pigs 10.00
2 cows
6 head sheep 30.00
1 wash Pot 6.00
40 bu wheat 160.00

Money to be paid by Adam \$100.00
Given under our hands and seal this
the 1st day of Aug 1863
J. J. Greenman (Seal)
William G. Daniell (Seal)
Zechariah (Seal)
James (Seal)
Appraisers
~~It is hereby sworn & set out as far as
was produced to me by the administrator the
above and foregoing contains a true
appraisal of the estate of Olisha Tiller
Decedent to the best of our judgment
and understanding the 1st day of
August 1863 J. J. Greenman (Seal)~~



Georgia

Clarke County

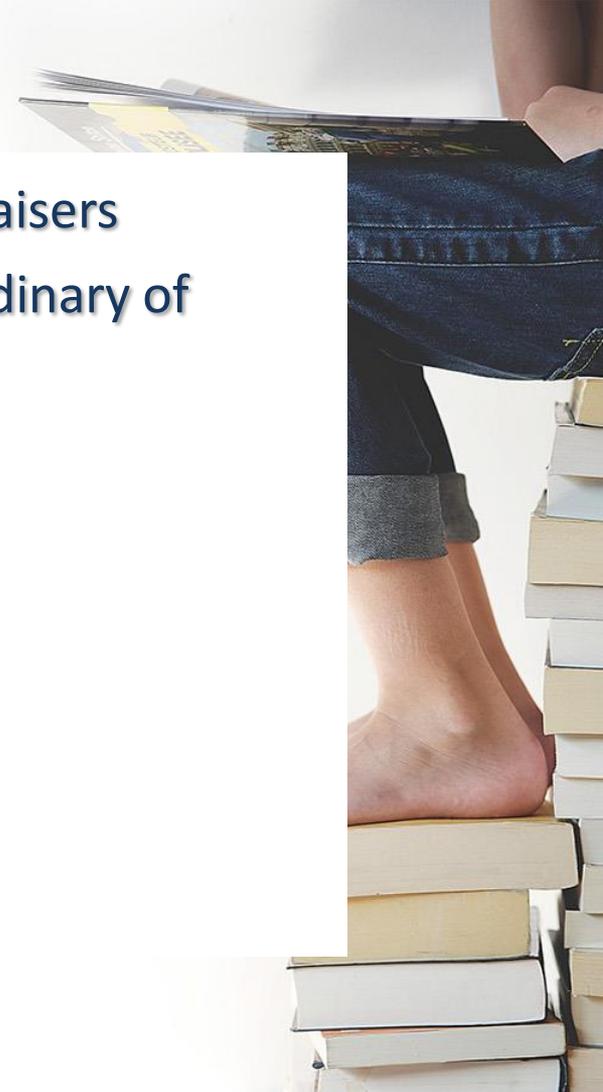
Said County for that purpose have this day
meet & appraised and Set apart out of the Estate
of Elisha Tiller Dec., the following for the one
years Support of Tabitha Tiller & her three
Minor Children being the widow & children
of Said Deceased

To Wit

... [list of household and personal belongings]

We the undersigned appraisers

appointed by the Ordinary of



Excerpts from Elisha Tiller's estate for Year's Support

Minor Children being the Widow & Children
of Said Decedent
W. T. T.

Money to be paid by Adm \$100.00
Given under our hands and seal this
the 1st day of Aug 1863
J. J. Freeman (Seal)
William D. Daniell (Seal)
Zechariah S. Sikes (Seal)
James Sulcher (Seal)
Appraisors



Georgia—Clarke county.

WHEREAS, Kimmy J. Smith applies to me for Letters of Administration on the estate of **Elisha Tiller**, late of said county, deceased--

These are therefore to cite and admonish all concerned, to show cause (if any they have) at my office on or before the first Monday in July next, why said Letters should not be granted.

Given under my hand at office, this 4th day of May, 1863. May 6 ASA M. JACKSON, Ord'y.

"Georgia - Clarke County", Southern Watchman, **June 3, 1863**, p. 4,
<https://gahistoricnewspapers.galileo.usg.edu/lccn/sn82014669/1863-06-03/ed-1/seq-4/#date1=06%2F01%2F1863¬text=&date2=12%2F31%2F1863&words=Elisha+Tiller&searchType=advanced&sequence=0&index=9&proxdistance=2&county=Clarke&rows=12&ortext=&proxtext=&andtext=Elisha+Tiller&page=1>. Presented online by the Digital Library of Georgia. Accessed September 15, 2020.

Georgia--Jackson County.

Ordinary's Office, July 24th, 1863.

MARY GREENBLAW gives notice that she will apply to me on the first Monday in September next, for Letters of Administration on the estate of J. M. A. Greenshaw, late of said county, deceased--

All persons interested are notified to file their objections with me, (if any) on or by that time, or Letters will be granted said applicant.

July 29 JOHN SIMPKINS, Ordinary.

NOTICE.

All persons holding demands against **Elisha Tiller**, deceased, are hereby notified to present the same to me for payment within the time prescribed by law; and those indebted to said deceased, are requested to make immediate payment.

Aug 5 KIMMY L. SMITH, Adm'r.
Millstone P. O. Oglethorpe county, Ga

\$25 REWARD.

LEST my plantation, two and a half miles East of Social Circle, on the 25th day of April, my negro woman, Ann Caroline, formerly owned by Mr. Young Elder, of Clarke county, who sold (or she changed owners) to one James Reeves, of said county. Said girl

Escaped, containing 497 (four hundred and ninety-seven) acres, more or less, known as No. 34 (eighty-four) in the 2d (third) district of said county of Habersham. Sold as the property of Elijah Cummings, late of Oglethorpe county, deceased. Terms, cash.

July 29 ARTHUR W. SMITH, Adm'r.

Notice.

TWO months after date, application will be made to the Court of Ordinary of Clarke county, for leave to sell all the real estate (less widow's dower) of **Elisha Tiller**, late of said county, deceased.

Aug 5 KIMMY L. SMITH, Adm'r.

Georgia-Hall county.

WHARRIS, Marcellus Davis applies to me for Letters of Administration on the estate of M. N. L. J. Davis, late of said county, deceased--

These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of said deceased to be and appear at my office within the time allowed by law to show cause, if any, why said Letters should not be granted.

Given under my hand, this 27th July, 1863.
Aug 5 J. B. BOONE, Ordinary.

Georgia-Habersham county.

WHARRIS, John Stewart applies to me for Letters

"Notice", Southern Watchman, August 26, 1863, p. 4,
<https://gahistoricnewspapers.galileo.usg.edu/lccn/sn82014669/1863-08-26/ed-1/seq4/#date1=06%2F01%2F1863¬text=&date2=12%2F31%2F1863&words=Elisha+Tiller&searchType=advanced&sequence=0&index=0&proxdistance=2&county=Clarke&rows=12&or&text=&proxtext=&andtext=Elisha+Tiller&page=1>. Presented online by the Digital Library of Georgia. Accessed September 15, 2020.

115
I know all men by their presents that we Solomon Rowntree and
Hugh Taylor of the State of Georgia and County of Hancock have in con-
sideration of two thousand dollars in specie to us in hand paid. Do bargain
and sell and by these presents have bargained and sold unto Benjamin Jenkins
of the State and County aforesaid a certain Negro Girl known by the name of
Dorothee aged about ten years, which said Negro Girl the said Benjamin
Jenkins doth purchase for the proper and sole use of Phally Chan, the step
daughter of said Benjamin Jenkins. Her hire & wages, she voluntarily
consenting thereto, which said Negro Girl, we do forever warrant and defend
against any person or persons whomsoever. In Testimony whereof we
do hereunto set our hands and seals this tenth eighth day of March
anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and three

(Witness)
Wm. Robalson }
Elisha Brothers }

Solomon Rowntree Seal
Hugh Taylor Seal

I assign the within bill of Sale to Alexander Cary husband to
Phally Chan this 4th March 1804. Ben^{rs} Jenkins

Recorded the 26th October, 1804.



Hancock County, GA
Deed Bk G, p 115

115 Know all men by these presents that we Solomon Rountree and Hugh Taylor of the State of Georgia and County of Hancock for and in consideration of two hundred dollars in specie to us in hand paid. Do bargain and sell and by these presents have bargain'd and sold unto Benjamin Jenkins of the State and County aforesaid a certain Negro Girl Known by the name of Pherobe aged about ten years which said Negro Girl the said Benjamin Jenkins doth purchase for the proper and sole use of Phalby Horn, the step daughter of said Benjamin Jenkins, her heirs or assigns, she voluntarily consenting there to, which said Negro Girl, we do hereby forever warrant and defend against any person or persons whomsoever. In Testimony whereof we do hereunto set our hands and Seals this twenty eighth day of March Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and three

Witness

Wm Robertson

Elisha Brothers

I assign the within bill of Sale to Alexander Torry husband to Phalby Horn this 4th March 1804.

GA Archives
Drawer 106, Box 50

Solomon Rountree {Seal}

Hugh Taylor {Seal}

Benjn Jenkins

Recorded the 26th October 1804

Alex Martin clk Supr Court

115 Know all men by these presents that we Solomon Rountree and Hugh Taylor of the State of Georgia and County of Hancock ...

two hundred dollars in specie to us in hand paid. ...

Benjamin Jenkins ...

a certain Negro Girl Known by the name of

Pherobe aged about ten years which said Negro Girl the said Benjamin Jenkins doth purchase for the proper and sole use of **Phalby Horn, the step daughter** of said Benjamin Jenkins, her heirs or assigns, ...

Seals this twenty eighth day of March

Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and three

Witness

Wm Robertson

Elisha Brothers

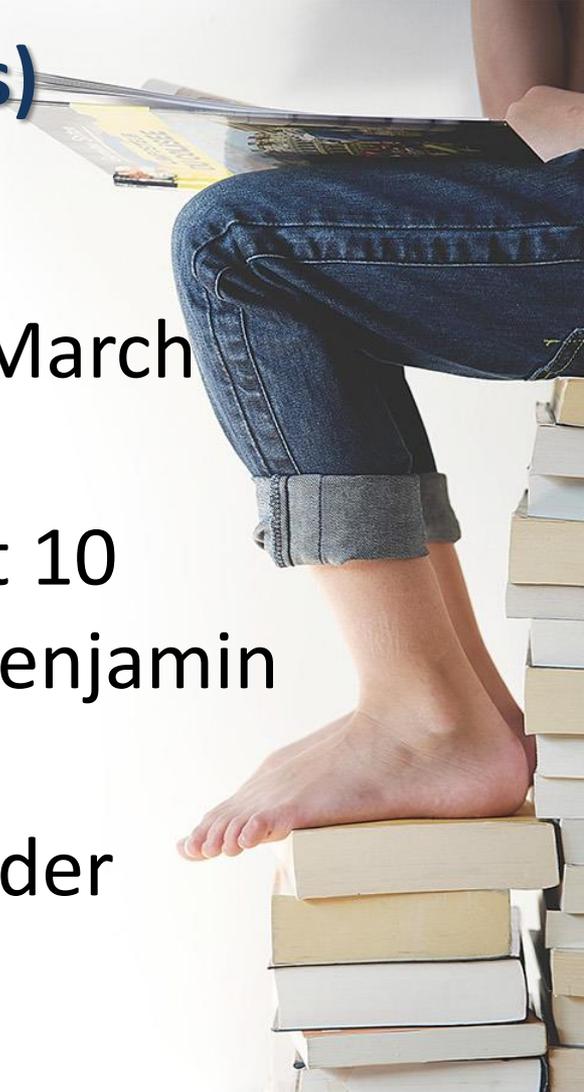
Solomon Rountree {Seal}

Hugh Taylor {Seal}

I assign the within bill of Sale to **Alexander Torry husband to Phalby Horn** this 4th March 1804.

What clues and relationships do(es) this bill of sale provide?

1. Place is Hancock Co, GA – dates March 1803 – October 1804
2. Pherobe (Phoebe?) is aged about 10
3. Phalby Horn is stepdaughter of Benjamin Jenkins
4. Phalby Horn is married to Alexander Torry



What clues and relationships do(es) this bill of sale provide?

5. List of Witnesses and Grantors ? Neighbors? Relatives?
6. If Rountree and Taylor are not Hancock Countians, where are they from and where did Pherobe come from?
7. Can we find marriage record for Phalby's mother to Benjamin Jenkins?
8. Tax records for Hancock County Georgia – Jenkins?
Torry? And others?

Military Records

United States. War Department. *Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Union Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Texas*. NARA microfilm publication M403. Fold3.com <https://www.fold3.com/image/260016607>: accessed 20 August 2020.

DECLARATION OF RECRUIT.

I, James M. Coltrane, desiring
to VOLUNTEER as a Soldier in the Army of the United States, for the term of THREE YEARS,
Do Declare, that I am Twenty five years and months
of age; that I have never been discharged from the United States service on account of disability or
by sentence of a court martial, or by order to/cas the expiration of a term of enlistment; and I know of
no impediment to my serving honestly and faithfully as a soldier for three years.

GIVEN at New Orleans La
the 23rd day of February 1865

Witness:
J. Coltrane James M. Coltrane

Volunteer

By James M. Coltrane

Discharge

Received
Office

Recruit entitled to Bounty
provided by Circular 27
P.M. G. office July 17th
1864

Received from Second Auditor
October 7th. 1892.

CIRCULAR } WAR DEPT., PROV. MAR. GENERAL'S OFFICE,
No. 27. } Washington, D. C., July 19, 1864.

The following instructions and regulations will be observed by all concerned:

ENLISTMENTS.

I. Under the President's call of July 18, 1864, for 500,000 volunteers, men will be enlisted and mustered in for one, two, or three years, as they may in each case elect.

BOUNTIES.

II. The bounty provided by law is as follows:

For recruits, including representative recruits (white or colored)—for one year, \$100; for two years, \$200; for three years, \$300.

The first installments of bounty will be paid by the mustering and disbursing officers when the recruit is mustered in, as follows:

To a recruit who enlists in the Army for one year, \$33.33; for two years, \$66.66; for three years, \$100.

PREMIUMS.

III. No premiums whatever for the procurement of recruits will hereafter be paid by the United States. This, however, will not affect the payment of premiums due for the procurement of recruits previous to the date of this order.

IV. Neither drafted men nor substitutes, furnished either before or after draft, are entitled to bounty from the United States. The fact as to whether the man is a recruit entitled to bounty, or a drafted man or substitute not entitled to it, shall be noted on the enlistment papers and muster-in rolls.

JAMES B. FRY,
Provost-Marshal-General.

Military Records

United States. War Department, 1880-1901. *The War of the Rebellion: a Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies: Official records of the Union and Confederate armies.* Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1900. 3rd series, IV, 518. Digital Image. <https://hdl.handle.net/2027/coo1.ark:/13960/t41r7cx60>, accessed September 21, 2020.

Military Records

Mc | *2* Cav. | *Texas.*

James M. Cleath

Appears with rank of *Sgt.* on

Muster and Descriptive Roll of a Detachment of U. S. Vols. forwarded

for the *2* Reg't Texas Cavalry. Roll dated

New Orleans, La., Mar. 7, 1865.

Where born *Muscovia Bay, Ga.*

Age *35* yrs; occupation *Labourer.*

When enlisted *Feb. 23, 186*

Where enlisted *New Orleans, La.*

For what period enlisted *1* years.

Eyes *Blue*; hair *Light*

Complexion *Rose*; height *5* ft. *10* in.

When mustered in *Mar. 7, 1865.*

Where mustered in *New Orleans, La.*

Bounty paid \$ *100*; due \$ *100/100*

Where credited

Company to which assigned

Valuation of horse, \$ *100*

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ *100*

Remarks: *He credited to*

Brownsville Garrison

Co., Texas, 2nd Eng. Dist.

Book mark:

Company Muster Roll

for *May 7, 1865.*

Present or absent *absent*

Stoppage, \$ *100* for

Due Gov't, \$ *100* for

Valuation of horse, \$ *100*

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ *100*

Remarks: *Absent with a James*

detachment since June 1865

By order Genl. E. Brown

Promoted from ranks

to Corp for Special Orders

He rec. "Co." 2 Texas Cav.

May 7, 1865

Book mark:

- United States. War Department. *Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Union Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Texas.* NARA microfilm publication M403. Fold3.com <https://www.fold3.com/image/260016518> & <https://www.fold3.com/image/260016549> : accessed 20 August 2020.

VOLUNTEER ENLISTMENT.

STATE OF TOWN OF

Louisiana New Orleans

I, James McElrath, born in Muscovia Co. in the State of Georgia, aged twenty five years, and by occupation a Laborer, do HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE to have volunteered this twenty third day of February, 1863, to serve as a Soldier in the Army of the United States of America, for the period of ~~twelve~~ ^{thirteen} YEARS, unless sooner discharged by proper authority; Do also agree to accept such bounty, pay, rations, and clothing, as are, or may be, established by law for volunteers. And I, James McElrath, do solemnly swear, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America, and that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies or opposers whomsoever; and that I will observe and obey the orders of the President of the United States, and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the Rules and Articles of War.

Seen and subscribed to at New Orleans this 28th day of July, 1863, James McElrath

I CERTIFY, ON OATH, that I have carefully examined the above-named Volunteer, according to the General Regulations of the Army, and that, in my opinion, he is free from all bodily defects and mental infirmity, which would in any way disqualify him from performing the duties of a soldier.

John Cowley EXAMINING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY, ON OATH, that I have minutely inspected the Enlistment previously to his enlistment, and that he was actually what was intended; that, to the best of my judgment and belief, he is of lawful age; and that, in occupying him as duly qualified to perform the duties of an able-bodied soldier, I have strictly observed the Regulations which govern the recruiting service. This soldier has ~~blue eyes~~ light blue eyes, light hair, complexion, is free from scars, inches high.

James Shields Recruiting Officer.

Admitted into the service of the United States, for ~~twelve~~ ^{thirteen} years, in the ~~28th~~ ^{1st} Regiment of New Orleans Volunteers, on the 28th day of March, 1863, at New Orleans, Louisiana, by Company "D".



- United States. War Department. *Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Union Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Texas.* NARA microfilm publication M403. Fold3.com <https://www.fold3.com/image/260016619> :





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1770—1823



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has resided in this County for the principal part of his life and has always bore the Character of a sober industrious Man and a good Neighbour And being about to remove into your parts takes with him our best wishes for his future prosperity & happiness.

Jno. Davies Lt Col. Comdr
1st Regim^t. Burke Militia
James Lester J.I.C.
Samuel Bird J.I.C.
Simeon Lowrey J.I.C.
David Robinson J.I.C.
William Bell J.P.
James Welch Capt.
Rich^d Hines J.P.
Green Bell J.P.
Francis Ward J.P.
Thos Burk Capt
Thos^r Allday Coroner

Recommendation for a Passport, *Malack Odom*, Order taken the 4th Jan^r. 1803

Georgia
Jefferson County

I certify that I have been for a long time acquainted with *Travis Thigpen Esqr.* and that he has always since my Knowledge of him conducted himself as an upright good Citizen
Louisville 7th. March 1803

Thos^r. Vivion

(On reverse)

Recommendation for a pass Port granted
7th. Mar. 1803

(On reverse)

recommendation in favor Andrew McDugall—

Passport granted 2^d. April 1803

State of Georgia
Wilkes County

Whereas *Jacob Ray* informs us that he wishes to go to the inhabitants of Bigby to see his Father that lives in that county; we have known Said Ray ten or fifteen years, and he has conducted himself honestly, and as a good Citizen from the first acquaintance until this time as far as we know under our hand this 20th. April 1803

Jas Patterson J.P.
Alexander Harper J.P.

(Reverse)

recommendation for Jacob Ray—
Passport granted 22^d. April 1803

Georgia, Jefferson County.

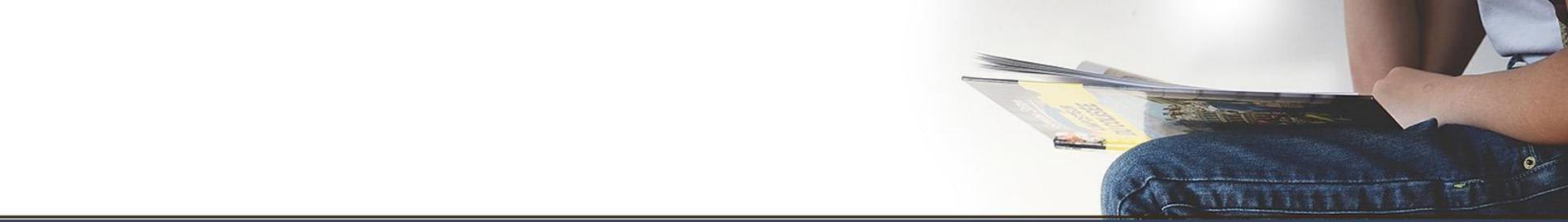
M. William Coleman, has represented to us his intention of going to the Bigby

We do certify that we have been acquainted with him for a number of years, during which time he has always conducted himself as an honest and respectable citizen.

Hor: Marbury
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Reverse

recommendation for a Pass Port—Acted on
23^d. April 1803



Let's look at our handouts

Roll

- 7 Papers relating to specific states and deeds of cession of western lands, with related documents, 1779-89, 1791-1802, include:

Instructions to the Massachusetts delegates to the Continental Congress, November 10, 1784 (3 frames)

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Copies and the Commonwealth of Virginia, December 10, 1776-December 12, 1787 (87 frames), pertaining mainly to issues surrounding the cessation of hostilities against, and a treaty of peace with, the British.

Correspondence and other records pertaining to the settlement of Virginia's claim against the United States "for the northwestern territory ceded to Congress," January 7 and May 15, 1788 (108 frames).

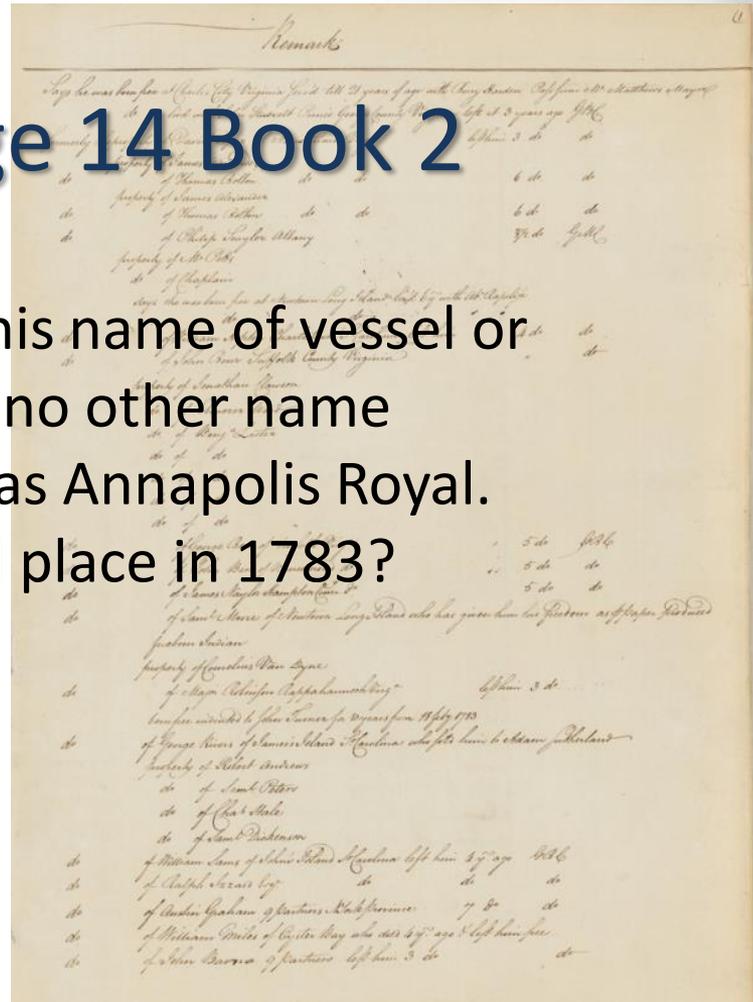
Deeds of cession of western and other lands with related documents, March 1, 1784-April 24, 1802 (50 frames), pertaining to the states of Connecticut, Georgia, Massachusetts, New York, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia.

"Inspection rolls of Negroes" carried away by the British upon the evacuation of New York City, April 23-November 19, 1783 (66 frames). There are two volumes of lists, that usually include the name, age, description, destination, and "claimants" to the blacks as slaves, as well as the name of the ship on which they were to travel, its captain, and "remarks."

[Inspection Roll of Negroes Book No. 2 \(archives.gov\)](#)

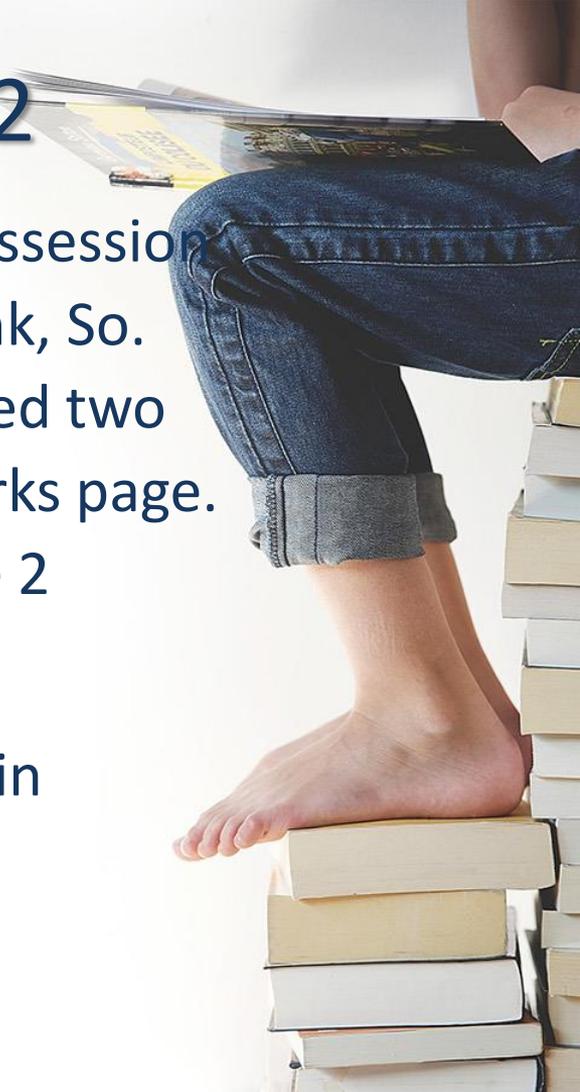
Summary of info page 14 Book 2

- Joseph Jas Mitchell – was this name of vessel or commander of vessel since no other name given? Destination is listed as Annapolis Royal. Where was Annapolis Royal place in 1783?



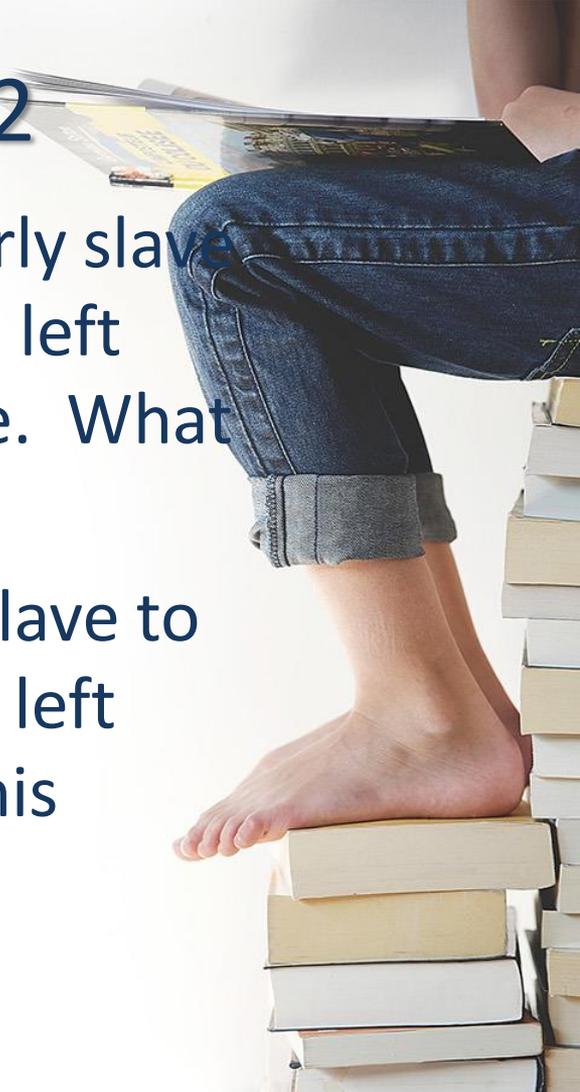
Summary of info page 14 Book 2

- Nancy Erwine , age 32, fine wench, Now in possession of Captain McCrea, formerly slave to Charles Renk, So. Carolina, left him 4 years ago. Below her are listed two children, with the same information in the remarks page. Sally age 12, described as a fine firl, and Tom age 2 described as do[ditto] meaning fine boy.
- Also, below Nancy Erwine are listed two men in possession of Dan'l Ray



Summary of info page 14 Book 2

- Sambo Frier, 24, ordinary fellow, formerly slave to George Frier, John's Island So. Carolina, left him in 1779. Initials GMC follow his name. What does this mean?????
- Tom Rivers, 43, stout fellow, formerly slave to Colonel Rivers, James Island, So. Carolina, left him beginning 1780, same initials follow his name.



Summary of info page 14 Book 2

Second group on this page

- Bug Jenny (vessel name)? Ammerson – looks like ink ran out but can barely discern something in front of name. Destination is Port Mattoon. Where is this?
- Five names listed and 4 are indicated as being in possession of John Nashe. Infant Pompey is not – is that a clerical error, an omission, or does it have other significance???

Summary of info page 14 Book 2

- Phil Birtley, 50, ordinary and worn out, formerly slave to John Birtley, Mill town, So. Carolina, left him early in 1780. Again, the initials GMC
- Charles Middleton, 57, ordinary and worn out, Formerly slave to Arthur Middleton, Ashley River, So. Carolina, left him in 1778. Initial GMC follow entry.

Summary of info page 14 Book 2

- Next three names have a note in remarks that they are proved to be the property of John Nash be a bill of sale. WHAT DOES THIS MEAN in 1783???? Is John Nash a Loyalist who is going elsewhere with his slaves? There is no note indicating that they left a former owner.
- Abraham, 10, fine boy,
- Bina, 17, likely wench
- Pompey, 4 months

Summary of info page 14 Book 2

- If scroll back to page 12, there is a date 9th November 178 and the list of names on Joseph James Mitchell, so seems this is a much larger vessel than the page listing Nancy shows.
- Should we investigate other names to see who may have escaped from the same place at the same time? Could we get an indication of Nancy's partner?



QUESTIONS