



FAMILY RESEARCH AT THE GEORGIA ARCHIVES



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GEORGIA ARCHIVES

"Creating a more highly educated Georgia"

The Georgia Archives holds:

- Permanent state government records
- Copies of county records (before 1900)
- Private manuscript collections
- Search room resources

PLACE OF ABODE.				NAME		RELATION.		TENURE.		PERSONAL DESCRIPTION.				CITIZENSHIP.		EDUCATION.			NATIVITY AND MOTHER TONGUE.						OCCUPATION.			
of each person whose place of abode on January 1, 1920, was in this family.				Enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any.		Relationship of this person to the head of the family.		Home owned or rented.		Sex, color or race, age at last birth-day, single, married, widowed, or divorced.				Naturalized or alien.		Whether able to read, write.			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in the United States, give the state or territory. If of foreign birth, give the place of birth and, in addition, the mother tongue. (See instructions.)						Whether able to speak English.			
Include every person living on January 1, 1920. Omit children born since January 1, 1920.																												
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53	✓			— Selma G	Daughter			f	20	18	U					yes	yes	yes	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	yes	none				53
54	✓			— Hurston	Son			m	20	6	U					yes	yes	yes	Georgia	Alabama	Georgia	Georgia	yes	none				54
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59				— Charley	Brother			m	13	29	m					yes	yes	yes	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	yes	Teamster	mill	20		612
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Step 1: Find ancestors in the Federal Census

- The Census tells you when and where an ancestor lived- you will need this information when searching for vital records, county records, and state records.
- Start from the most recent Census (1940) and work your way back.
- Georgia Archives provides free onsite access to Census records through ancestry.com.

VITAL RECORDS

- Birth certificate: State record
- Marriage certificate: County Probate Court record
- Divorce record: County Superior Court record
- Death certificate: State record

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B.O.V.S. FORM 11
FILE No. For State Registrar Only.

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1 Place of Death County of Thomas

Militia District of _____ Registration District No. _____ Registered No. 136

City of Thomasville (No. _____ St.)

2 FULL NAME Mrs. George Smith

Residence No. Maple St. _____
(Usual place of abode)

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX Male 4 COLOR OR RACE Color 5 Single, Married, Widowed, or Divorced (write the word) Married

6a If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of Liza Smith

6 DATE OF BIRTH, (Mo. da. yr.) _____

7 AGE 90 yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. If less than 2 years state if breast fed Yes _____ No _____ If less than 1 day hrs. _____ mins. _____

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

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or country) Thomas

10 NAME OF FATHER Dover Smith

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) Thomas young place

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Mrs. Rosie Young

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) Thomas grove Killis

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE (Informant) J. D. Smith (Address) 712 1st St

15 Filed 10/22/19 Registrar William Mitchell

MEDICAL PARTICULARS

16 DATE OF DEATH Oct 22 1919

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from that I last saw him alive on Oct 12 1919 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 1:15 A.M. The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: Heart disease & nephritis

(duration) _____ yrs. 9 mos. _____ ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) _____ (duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

18 Where was disease contracted? _____

Did an operation precede death? No Date of 2

Was there an autopsy No What test confirmed diagnosis? None

(Signed) Wm. Farrell M. D.

19 (Address) 208 S Broad

19 PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL DATE Spring Hill cem Oct 24 1919

20 UNDERTAKER William Mitchell & Co. ADDRESS _____

Birth certificates are not available from the Georgia Archives

Order birth records (1919-present) from State Office of Vital Records or from county where the birth occurred.

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- State of Georgia began recording birth certificates in 1919.
 - Birth records closed to the public for 100 years in Georgia.
 - 100 years after the birth, the record becomes a public record and it comes to the Georgia Archives.

Marriage certificates

1805-Present: County Probate Court

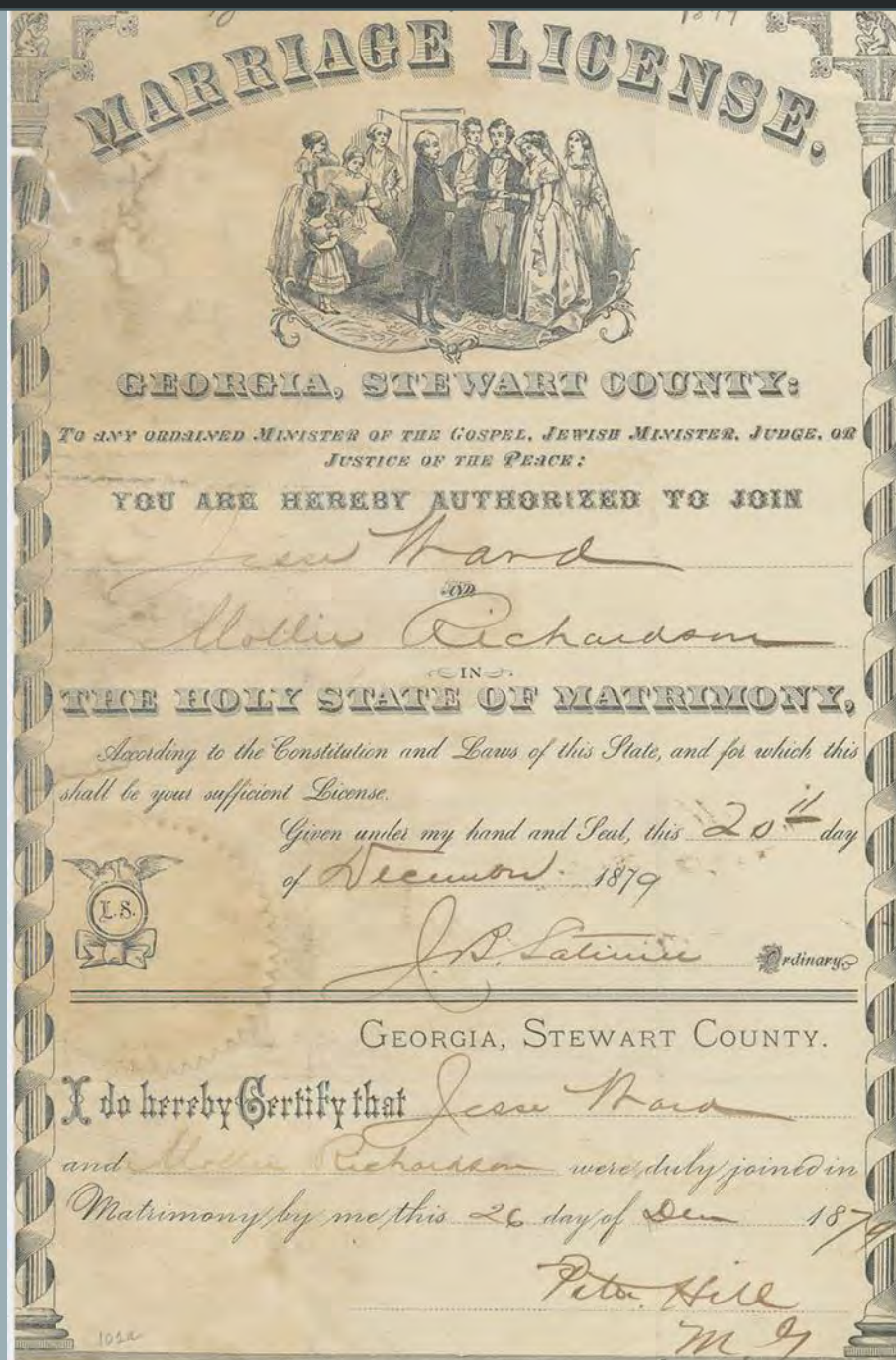
1805-1900: Georgia Archives county microfilm collection/ familysearch.org

Divorce records

1793-1833: Georgia Laws and in county Superior Court records

1833-Present: County Superior Court

1965-1999: Index to divorce records on microfiche at the Georgia Archives



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*An Act to divorce or separate
Walter Billingslea and Seane his
Wife formerly Seane Watson; and for
protecting each of them in their respec-
tive Estates.*

*In Senate,
Read 1st time January 20.th 1797.
2^d time January 24. 1797.
3^d time January 25. 1797.
Passed.*

Will. Robertson. Secy.

*In the House of Representatives,
Read 1st time January 30.th 1797.
2^d time February 4 1797
3^d time February 6. 1797.
Passed.*

*Jas. McSummers
Clerk.*

10 Feb 1797



COUNTY RECORDS

Microfilm County Records (1777-1900)

- GA Archives holds a large collection of county records on microfilm. Includes: estate records, marriages, deeds...
- No records for counties created after 1900
- For recent county records (after 1900) visit the county court house where originals held



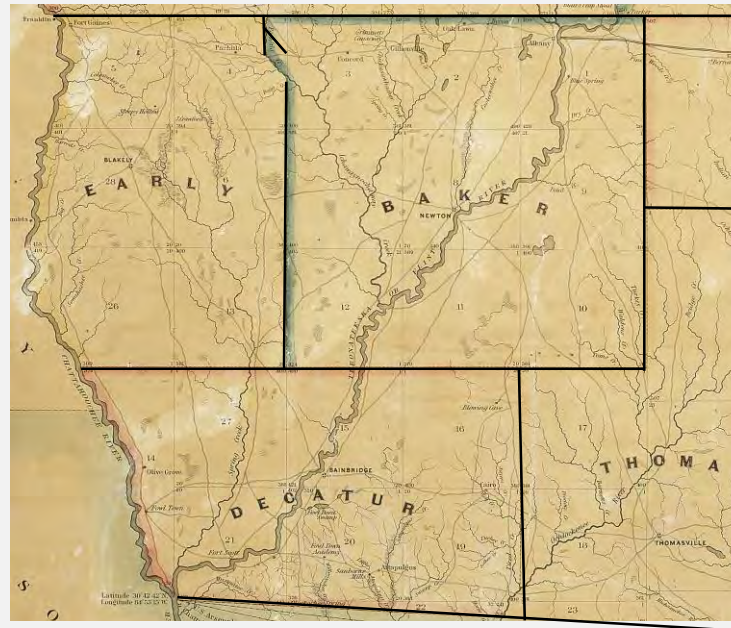
Georgia county boundaries changed over time:

Southwest corner of Georgia

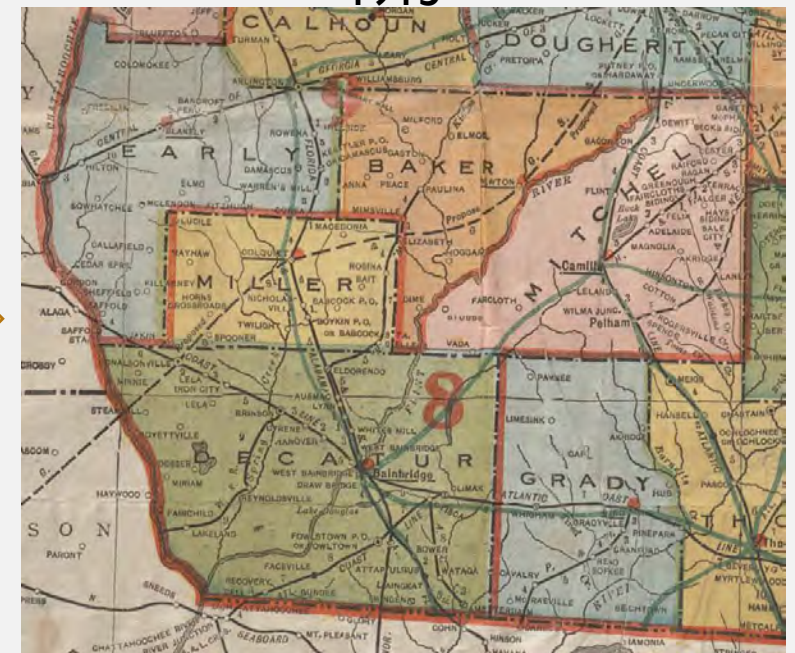
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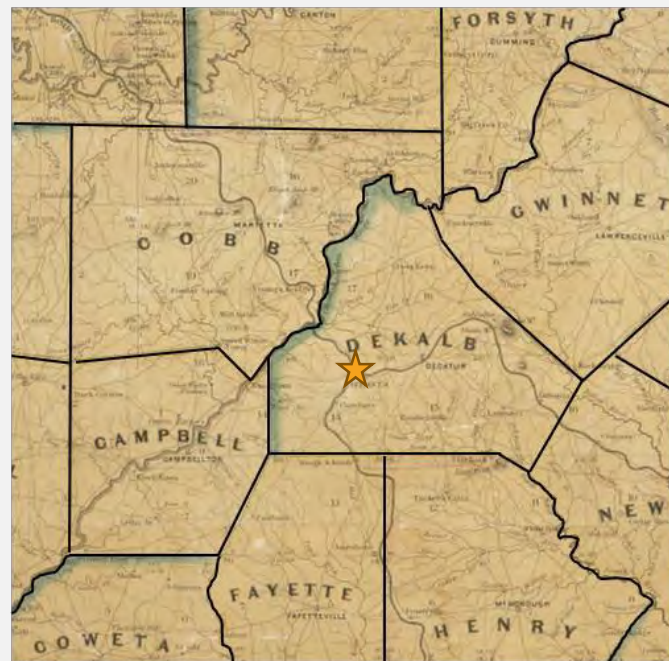
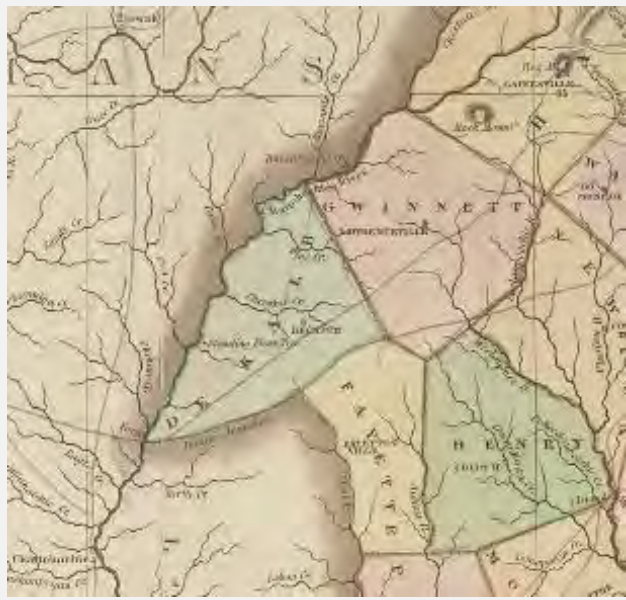
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1915



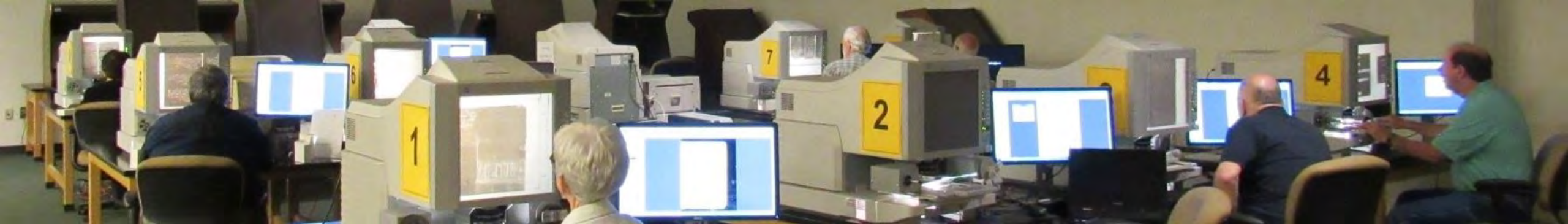
(modern day) Atlanta area



How do you know if you are looking for records in the right county?

- Use census and tax records to verify which county your family was counted in
- Check **Georgia Counties: Their Changing Boundaries**, full text online:

<http://vault.georgiaarchives.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/adhoc/id/4377/rec/1>



Microfilm Library

- Scan to a personal flashdrive for free
- Prints are 30 cents a page
- To find microfilm locations use microfilm card catalog; available on-site or online:

<http://vault.georgiaarchives.org/cdm/landingpage/collection/countycards>



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90	63	1843-1851*	Book C	"	495-6
90	64	1851-1854	Book D	"	496
90	65	1853-1857	Book E	"	497
90	66	1855-1857	Book F	"	497-8
90	67	1854-1856	Book G1	"	498-9
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Microfilm card catalog



Probate Court

Also called Inferior Court or Ordinary Court

- **Estate records**

Available on microfilm- Some probate records available online:

Ancestry: Georgia, Wills and Probate Records, 1742-1992

Familysearch.org (free): Georgia Probate Records, 1742-1990

- **Marriage Records**

- **Apprenticeship/Indenture Registers, 1800-1930**

Available on microfilm

Some types of estate records:

Wills: Disposes of property and names executor; may name members of the family and specify relationships

Inventory and Appraisement: List of property and its value

Annual Return: Lists transactions during the year to settle the estate

Guardianship records: Lists minor orphans of the deceased and names their guardian(s)

Widow's/Year's Support: Lists property available for the support of the widow- may name children

Administrator

Bonds/Letters/Appointment: Names the administrator(s) of the estate

Vouchers and Receipts: Names of heirs signing for their share of estate

Some things that wills may tell you...

My Plantation, known as the Knuckles place
containing about 1000. Acres Also the following

land in the 12th District No 214 in Henry County my

Gives description or location of land owned.
Look for number of acres and lot and district
numbers.

Children the names of the four Negroes is as follows
Bill a man about twenty five years of age his wife Malisa
about twenty two years of age and their infant child
about four months old named Mary and one girl named
Ruth about ten years old.

“...Bill a man about 25 years of age, his wife Malisa about 22 years of age and their infant child about 4 months old named Mary and one girl named Ruth about 10 years old...”

Before emancipation in 1865, wills
may list names of slaves and
sometimes relationships between
slaves. Inventory and appraisements
may also list slaves by name.

8th I nominate My son John S. Jackson and
my brother James W. Jackson as my Exrs.
to Carry out this my last Will & Testament

Indicates family relationships

2nd I Will and bequeath to my beloved Wife
Nancy S. Jackson the Plantation whereon
I now live containing near 1000. Acres

5th I Will & bequeath to my beloved Daughter
Martha A. Harris the following negro

The condition of the above obligation is such,
That whereas the said Demary C. Baldwin is
this day appointed guardian to Benjamin C. Baldwin, G. Baldwin orphans of
Jenny S. Baldwin dec'd now if the
said Demary C. Baldwin
do well and truly demean ~~himself~~ as guardian aforesaid, agreeable to letters of guar-
dianship, bearing even date herewith, and agreeable to law in such case made and

Excerpt from a Guardianship record from Oglethorpe County, 1828

In the matter of the Application of Mrs. H. E. J. Banks
widow of G. M. Banks, late of Oglethorpe County, Georgia,
deceased, for year's support for herself and minor children of said deceased to-wit:
Colley Banks, 17 years of age, Ora Banks, 15 years
of age
It appearing to the Court That a majority of the appraisers appointed by this Court to
set apart and assign to the said widow and minor children of said deceased a year's support have
filed their report within the time required by law, setting apart to said widow and minor child
one 2 horse wagon - valued at Ten Dollars (\$10.00)
and an Equity of redemption in a certain
tract of land lying and being in the 237th

Excerpt from a Widow's support record from Oglethorpe County, 1908

Savannah 26th June 1804
Inventory of the Personal property of Doct^r George
Gaterer Dec'd -

1 Negro Wench Charlotte	\$ 300 00
1 do Boy David	250 00
1 do do	275 00
2 Tuncars	2 00
1 Self spring Lancets & Case	5 00
1 Mortars & Pestols	4 00
1 Case containing 1 Blade	20 00
1/2 doz Silver Table spoons	18 00
1 silver dividing spoon	5 00
2 do Tea spoons	1 00
1 Self Castors	5 00
1 1/2 doz Decanters & Tobacco pipes	3 00
1 Self Surgical Pocket Instruments	3 00
1 Gold Watch Chain & seal	60 00
8 doz duck Towels	2 00
2 old diaper Napkins	1 00
1 1/2 Sheets	3 00
1 Looking Glass	1 50
1 Desk	6 00
1 Shade & candlestick	2 00
1 Lot smooking Tobacco	10 00
1 Shaving brush	5 00
German Books &c	10 00

Excerpt from an Inventory and Appraisement record from Chatham County, 1804

Excerpt from Oglethorpe County Apprenticeship/Indenture Register, 1867

Do hereby bind unto Richard P. Arnold of said County Henry ten
 year old Lucy eight year old and Emma four year old
 orphan minors of Rhoda a woman of Color now deceased,
 said three minors having no estate for their support and
 maintenance. The said three minors to wit Henry Lucy
 and Emma are hereby bound unto the said Richard P. Arnold
 until each shall arrive at the age of twenty one year, to serve
 him the said Arnold as field hands and house servants,

“...do hereby bind unto Richard P. Arnold of said County Henry ten year old Lucy eight year old and Emma four year old orphan minors of Rhoda a woman of color now deceased, said three minors having no estate for their support and maintenance. The said three minors to wit Henry, Lucy and Emma are hereby bound unto the said Richard P Arnold until each shall arrive at the age of twenty one years to serve him the said Arnold as field hands and house servants...”



Superior Court

- **Deeds**

Available on microfilm; originals held at the county Superior Court.

- **Tax Digests**

Some available on microfilm/microfiche; some available as original records; some pre-1890 digests are scanned and on [ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com).

- **Criminal and civil case files**

Some early case files available as original records at the Georgia Archives; others held by the County Superior Court.

other part, Witnesseth that the said J.P. Bowers does
by these presents grant bargain sell and convey
unto the said Job Brown, a certain parcel of
land situated in Franklin & Hart County,
on waters of Double Branch Creek forming
lands of said J.P. Bowers, James Cheek & others,
being the place on which E. Brown, built a mill
also including fifteen acres formerly known
as the Hannah Milner place, bought and
added to said mill place, bounded by the following
by the following lines Beginning at a P.O.
on west side of Mill branch above Pond,
thence N. 65° W. 23 chains to a Maple tree N. 40° E.

This Indenture made and en-
tered into this 28th day of Decem-
ber 1839 between J.P. Bowers of Franklin County of
the first part and Job Brown of Hart County of the
second part Witnesseth that the said J.P. Bowers does
hereby grant bargain sell and convey
unto the said Job Brown, a certain parcel of
land in Franklin & Hart County,
on waters of Double Branch Creek forming
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lines Beginning at a P.O.
on west side of Mill branch above Pond,
thence N. 65° W. 23 chains to a Maple tree N. 40° E.
thence S. 35° E. 3.50. wht oak, S. 56° W. 11.50.
line thence with said part line to a Pine tree
of Howard Denny, thence with Howard line
to the Mill Branch thence up said branch
once Eastwardly to a wht oak, near Mill
to a Apple tree, thence, S. 65° E. 3.50. P.O.
thence to a P.O. S. 65° E. 10. to a Hickory thence
branch to the Beginning P.O. containing
a very more or less, To have and
to hold unto him the said Job Brown his
heirs and assigns, with all and singular
the rights and members that pertain to
said land and mill,
And I the said J.P. Bowers do warrant
and well ever defend the right
and title of said land to the said Job

Franklin County Deed, 1839

“...a certain parcel of land situated in Franklin and Hart County, on waters of Double Branch Creek bounding lands of said J.P. Bowers, James Cheek and others, being the place on which E. Bowers built a mill also including fifteen acres formerly known as the Hannah Milner place...”

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And I the said J.P. Bowers do warrant
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Tax Digests

List:

- Males ages 21-60
- Women who owned property
- Acreage (if any)
- Taxes paid

Early tax digests list

- Neighbors
- Number of slaves
- Original land owner
- Creeks or rivers on the land

Captain Holcomb back Dyer	1820 1821 1822 1823 1824 1825 1826 1827 1828 1829 1830 1831 1832 1833 1834 1835 1836 1837 1838 1839 1840 1841 1842 1843 1844 1845 1846 1847 1848 1849 1850 1851 1852 1853 1854 1855 1856 1857 1858 1859 1860 1861 1862 1863 1864 1865 1866 1867 1868 1869 1870 1871 1872 1873 1874 1875 1876 1877 1878 1879 1880 1881 1882 1883 1884 1885 1886 1887 1888 1889 1890 1891 1892 1893 1894 1895 1896 1897 1898 1899 1900	To whom Granted	By whom Banned	What Water	What County	1860
Alexander Jordan		Self	No. 50	10 Dyer	Hale	625
Royal Bryan	1	Wallon	Amey	Bear C.	Franklin	
One cow in horse		Harrington	Vaughan	do	do	600 5/8
Seas \$40		Self	Perry	do	do	
		W. Burt	No. 141	21 Dyer	Wilkinson	
George Thig		Academy	No. 38	Shoals C.	Franklin	43 1/2
Robert McFarland		Harrington	Roach	Bear C.	do	562 1/2
and Roach		Hendy	McFarland	do	do	812 1/2
Jammy Sewell		Land	do	do	do	
	40	Graham	White	Broad C.	do	862 1/2
	160	Hennedy	W. Guber	Switz C.	do	
John Chandler	2	Harrington	600	Bear C.	do	143 1/2
	250	Self	No. 9	7 Dyer	Early	
Jammy Dany		W. Vance	McFarland	Bear C.	Franklin	562 1/2
Barnum Lee		Academy	Unknown	Shoals C.	do	445
William Burrough						312 1/2
Geo P. V. Burrough						312 1/2
Henry P. Burrough		Self	No. 232	12 Dyer	Early	625
Samuel Sewell		Harrington	Reed	Bear C.	Franklin	101 1/2
	270	Self	No. 268	4 Dyer	Drewin	
Nichols Sewell		Graham	Grady	Bear C.	Franklin	812 1/2
Joshua Vaneghan		Chander	Chilly	do	do	
	637	Self	No. 452	5 Dyer	Thig	148 6/4
	490					

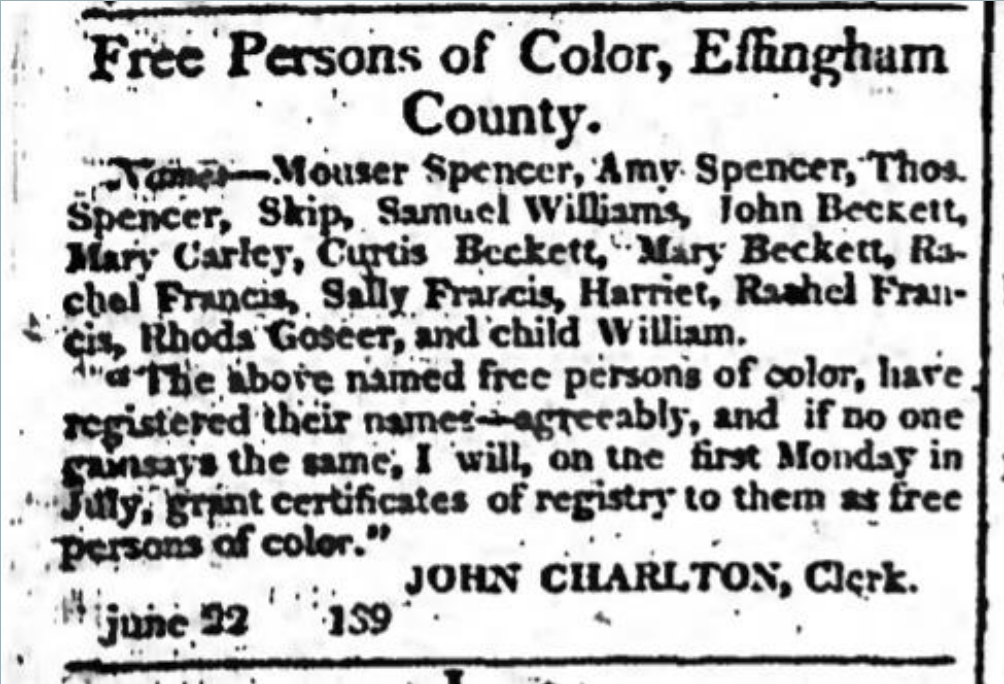
County Superior or Probate Court

NAME.	Age.	Parentage.	Nativity.	Residence.	Occupation or Pursuit.	Description.
Patsy King	68	Cherney King	Greene County, Geo.	Richmond County	Nurse.	Brown
Cherney King	37	Patsy King	" " "	" "	Cook Washer & Ironer	"
Sovey King	28	Patsy King	Troup " "	" "	" " " "	"
Edward See King	17	Cherney King	" " "	" "	Sabrer.	"
Robert A. Harper	41	Polly Keating.	Augusta.	" "	Piano Tuner.	Mulatto.
Martina Kelly	42	June Kelly	"	" "	Washer & Ironer.	Brown.
Jane Johnson	37	Nancy Johnson.	"	" "	Seamstress.	Mulatto.
Laura Scott	23	Ann Scott.	"	" "	"	"
...

▲ Richmond County Free Persons of Color Register, 1863, RG 221-2-3.

Free Persons of Color registers, 1796-1864
Registers list name, age, occupation, and may list property and white sponsor.

Available for 21 counties, and 1 city: Appling, Baldwin, Camden, Chatham, City of Savannah, Clarke, Columbia, Elbert, Emanuel, Hancock, Jefferson, Jones, Liberty, Lincoln, Lumpkin, Morgan, Pulaski, Richmond, Taliaferro, Thomas, Warren, Wilkes.



▲ Savannah Daily Republican, Jul. 11, 1820 -- page 1

STATE RECORDS

A few examples...

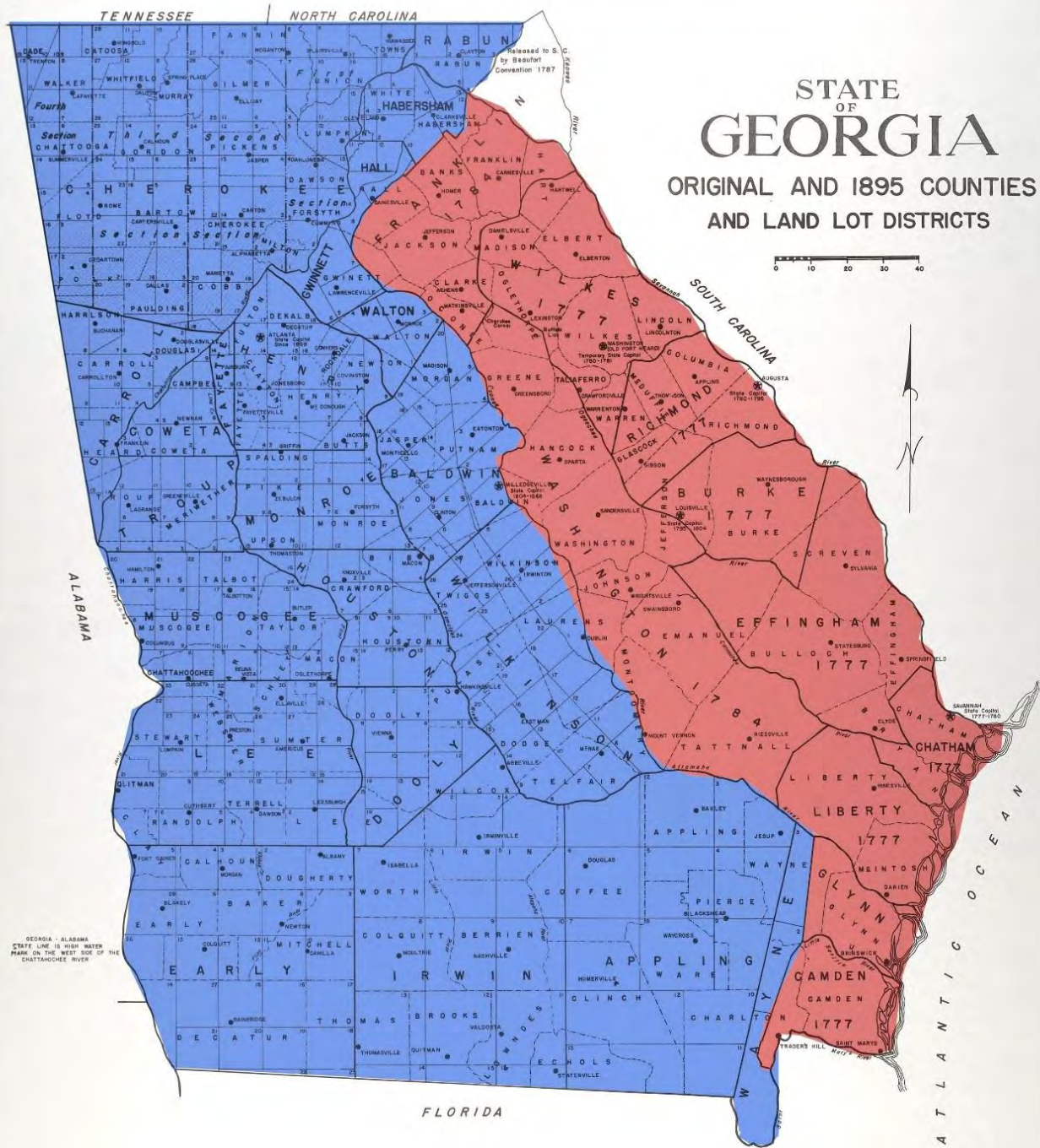
- Governor's records
- Records of the State Legislature
 - Laws
 - House and Senate Journals
- Surveyor General records
 - Original land grants and plats
 - County and historic maps
- Prison System records



Use Surveyor General's records for:

- Land research
- Documenting ancestors in early Georgia
- County or city research
- Documenting early military service





Land Distribution Systems used in Georgia




**Headright and Bounty Land Grants
(1756-1909)**



Land Lottery Land Grants (1805-1832)

Land grant to Mary Sharp in Burke County, 1791, RG 3-4-12.

Know the powers in me vested I HAVE given and granted, and, by these Presents, in the name and behalf of the said state, DO give and grant unto *Mary Sharp* her heirs and assigns forever, ALL that tract or parcel of land, containing *Two hundred* acres, situate, lying, and being, in the county of *Burke* in the said state, and butting and bounding *Northward by Vacant Land - Southward by Bass Land - Southwest by Dutch Survey and - Northwest by Cadis Land -*

Georgia By the Court of Justices of the County of Burke
N^o. 11: To Robert Osborne Esq^r. County Surveyor for said County
You are hereby Authorized and required to Admeasure and lay out, or cause to be Admeasured and laid out unto *Mary Sharp*, A tract of Land which shall contain *Two Hundred* Acres, in the said County of *Burke*, Adjoining Land of *Drumy Bass* and *John Handberry* and the Dutch Survey
 (on her head rights.)

Warrant for land granted to Mary Sharp, 1790, RG 3-4-5.

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STATE OF GEORGIA.
Edward Telfair Captain-General, Commander in Chief in and over the said State, and of the Militia thereof, by these Presents shall come, GREETING:
In pursuance of the Act for opening the Land-office, and by virtue in me vested I HAVE given and granted, and, by these Presents, of the said state, DO give and grant unto *Mary Sharp* her heirs and assigns forever, ALL that tract or parcel of land being, in the county of *Burke* in the said bounding *Northward by Vacant Land - Southward by Bass Land - West by Dutch Survey and - East by Cadis Land -* running at a R. O. running East fifty one Chains 50 links to a Span Oak No. 25 East forty Seven Ch^s to a R. O. No. Seventy one West thirty three Chains to a pine + and Southwest fifty two Ch^s 50 links to the beginning - having such shape, form, and marks, as appear by a plat of the same hereunto annexed; together with all and singular the rights, members, and appurtenances thereof, whatsoever, to the said tract or parcel of land belonging, or in any wise appertaining; and also all the estate, right, title, interest, claim, and demand of the State aforesaid; to, in, to, or out of, the same: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract or parcel of land, and all and singular the premises aforesaid, with their and every of their rights, members, and appurtenances, unto the said *Mary Sharp* her heirs and assigns, to her and their own proper use and behoof forever, in Fee simple.
GIVEN under my hand, and the great seal of the said state, this *Second* day of *March* in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety *One*; and in the fifteenth year of American Independence.
Signed by his Excellency the Governor } *Edw^d Telfair*
the *2nd* Day of *March* 1791 }
Ch^rstian M^r D
Registered the *5th* Day of *March* 1791 -

STATE OF GEORGIA.

THIS is to certify, That *W^m Nelson* —
 was *Indited* to serve as a *Soldier*
 in the *first* — Battalion of Minute-Men, raised for
 the Defence of this State, by Resolve of Assembly,
 passed the 3d June, 1777; and that the said *W^m*
Nelson was not, at the Time of his
Inditment an Inhabitant of this State, nor
 had he resided in any Part thereof for *Three*
 Months preceeding his *Inditment* And further,
 That he was in Service at the Time the said Battalion
 was reduced by a subsequent Resolve of March 1st,
 1778.

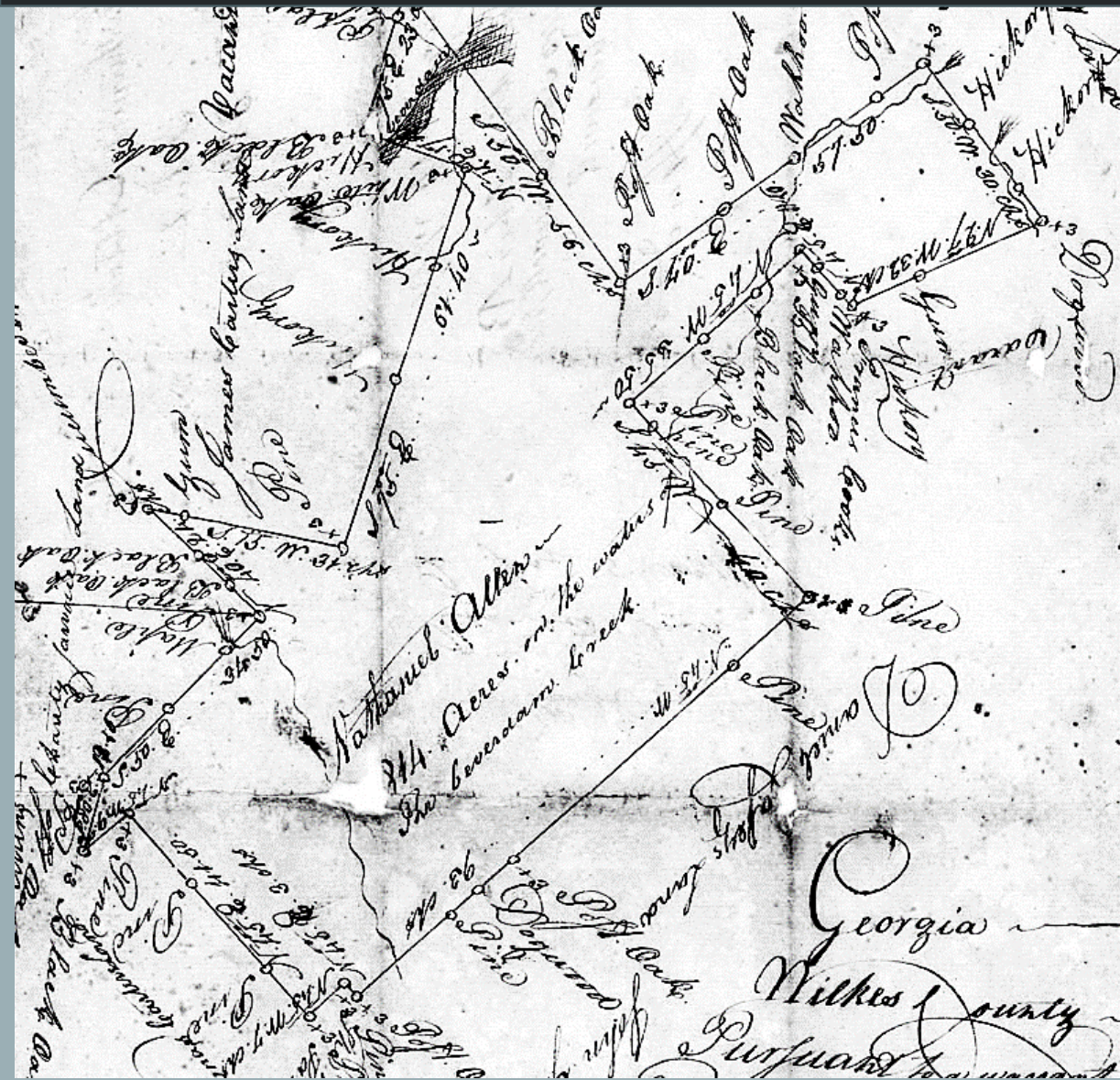
Given under my Hand, at *Augusta* this
7th Day of *April* 1784.

By his Order *E. Clarke Lt Col*
H. Trumans

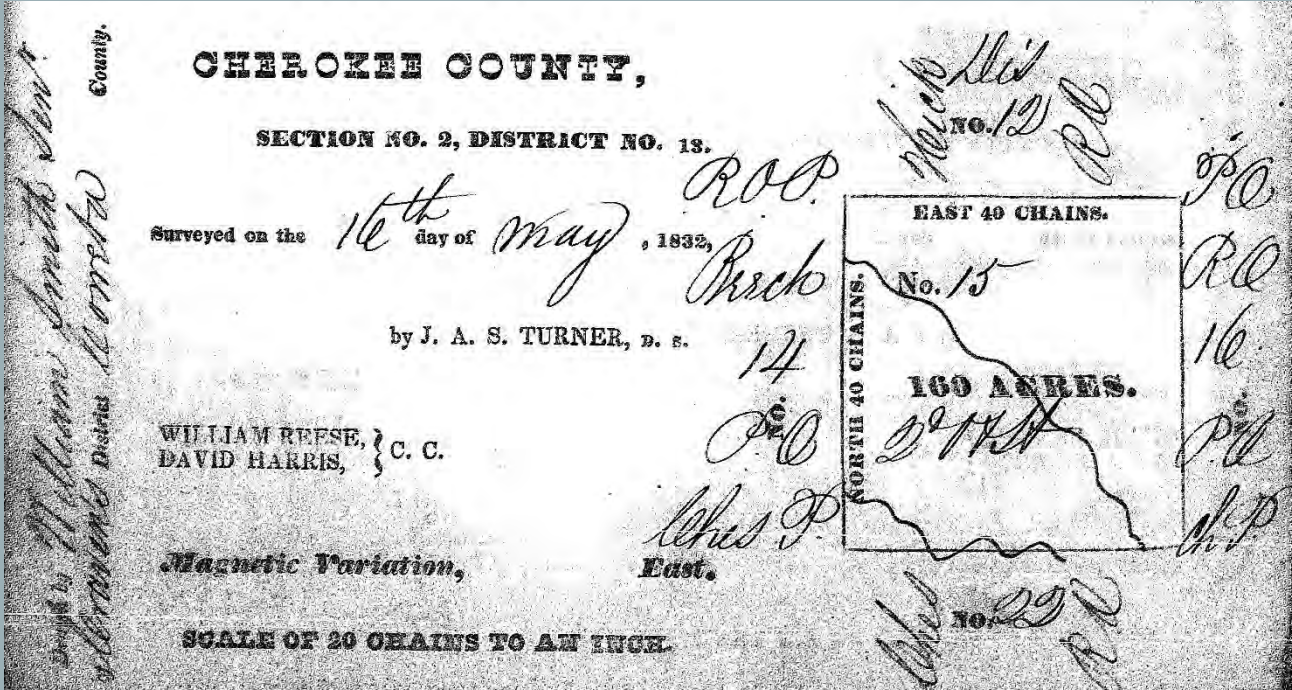
State of Georgia
 This is to certify that Jonathan Webster
 hath faithfully done his duty since the passing
 an act at Augusta to of the 20th August 1781
 till the total expulsion of the British from
 State and that he cannot to my
 knowledge or belief be convicted of plun-
 dering or disturbing the country and is
 therefore under said act entitled to a
 Bounty of 25 acres of Land given under
 my hand this 8th day of Sept. 1784.
 By his order *H. Trumans* *Najah Clarke Col.*

Surveyor General, Headright and Bounty documents, RG 3-4-5

“...he cannot to my knowledge or belief be
 convicted of plundering or disturbing the country
 and is therefore under said act entitled to a Bounty
 of 25 acres of Land.”



Headright plat, Wilkes County, Georgia
Granted to Nathaniel Allen, 1790



1832 Land lottery plat, original Cherokee County, Georgia
Section 2, District 13, Land lot 15
Lot won by William Smith Senr. of Craven's Georgia Militia District,
Coweta County

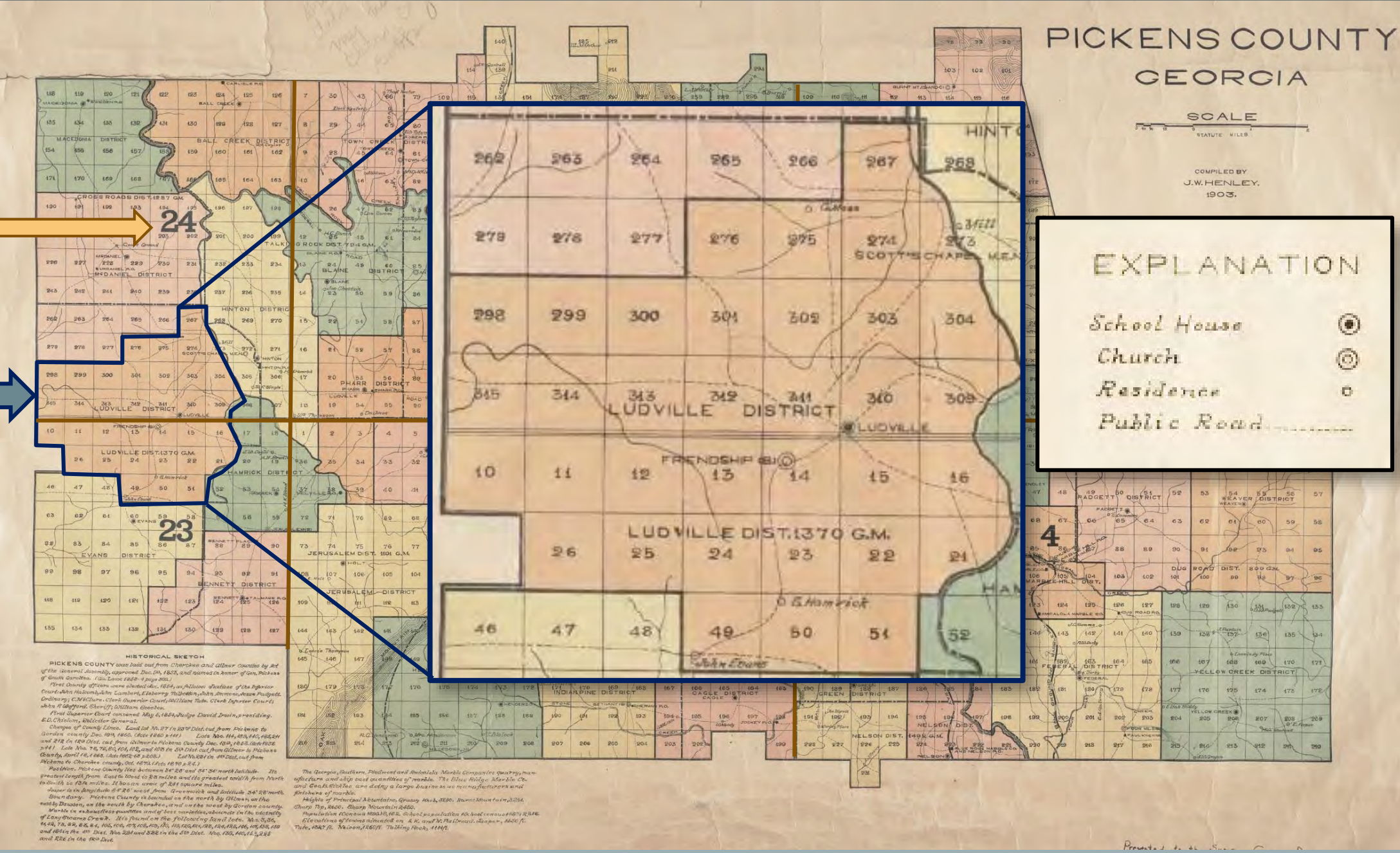
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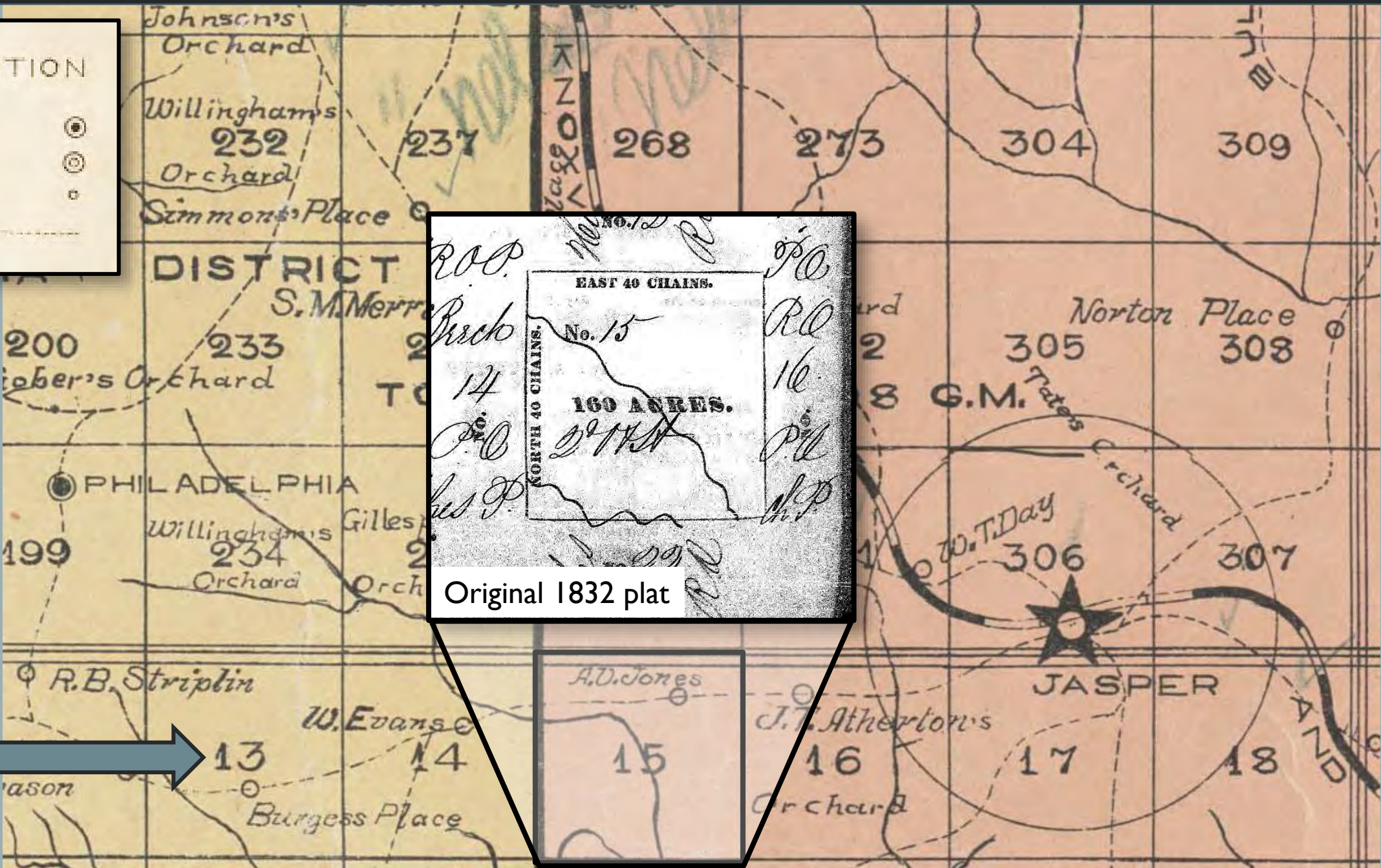
Militia District

- Civil divisions within a county
- Used in many records including census and tax



EXPLANATION

- School House
- Church
- Residence
- Public Road



Original 1832 plat

Land Lot
Number
Used in land records
like deeds, grants etc.

NAMES.	Crime.	When Received.	Sentence Expires.	County where Convicted.	Occupation.	Birth Place.	No. of Sentences.	Age.	Height.		Complexion.	Color of Hair.	Color of Eyes.
									Feet.	Inches.			
Robert Floyd	Larceny from house	5 Oct 16 1841	Oct 16 1846	Madison	Farmer	Georgia	1	22	5	10	Dark	Dark	Dark
Robert Mullan	Receiving Stolen Goods	3 Nov 1	Nov 1 1844	Datnall	"	"	1	26	5	10	"	"	Blue
Patrick Flanagan	Larceny from house	3 " 7	" 7	Campbell	Sailor	Ireland	1	27	5	5 1/2	Light	Light	Light
Jonathan Cantrell	" " "	3 " "	" " "	"	Shoemaker	So. Ca.	1	"	5	11 1/2	"	"	Gray
William Davis	Horse Stealing	4 " 9	" 9 1845	Butts	Farmer	So. Ca.	1	41	5	7 1/2	Dark	Dark	Dark
George C. Burden	Involuntary Manslaughter	1 Jan 29 1842	Jan 29 1843	McIntosh	Sailor	Massachusetts	1	29	5	10	Light	Light	Blue
Isaac Lewis	Attempt to Murder	2 " "	" 1844	Liberty	Farmer	So. Ca.	1	35	5	9 1/2	Dark	Gray	"
James Wills	Larceny from house	3 Feb 14	Feb 14 1845	Richmond	Boatman	Sweden	1	25	5	7	Fair	Light	Gray
George Martine	Simple Larceny	5 " "	" 1847	"	Painter	Virginia	3	27	5	6	"	"	"
William F. H.	Manslaughter	4 " "	" 1846	"	Farmer	So. Ca.	1	25	5	7 1/2	Light	"	"
John J. Mitchell	Vagrancy	2 March 6	March 6 1844	Chatham	Seaman	Virginia	1	62	6	13	Dark	Gray	Dark
Thomas W. Bryan	Forgery	5 " "	" 1847	"	Clerk	Georgia	1	21	5	7	"	Dark	"
Wm. M. Bond	Simple Larceny	3 " 22	" 1845	"	"	"	1	19	5	7 1/2	"	"	Blue

Central Register of Convicts, 1817-1976

A State of Georgia prison system register listing prisoners convicted of felonies and misdemeanors. Lists information about the prisoner and sentence. Name searchable on [ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com)

Personal Description, Marks, &c.		Date of Discharge.	
Discharged		Pardoned Sept 15 1846	
"		" Nov 8 1843	
Served only his Sentence		Pardoned Nov 8 1845	

RETURN OF

REGISTERED in Precinct No.

, County of

Chatham

, State of GEORGIA, by the Board of Registration, for the

First

Election District, in pursuance

of "An act supplement

Number.	DATE OF REGISTRY.	Check when Voting.	NAMES OF VOTERS.	OATH.		COLOR.	TIME OF RESIDENCE.			NATIVE.
				Book.	Page.		In State.	In County.	In Precinct.	
481 ✓		✓	Huff Cornelius	✓	241	White ✓	9	✓	9	N.C
2 ✓			West Allen	✓	"	Col'd	39	✓	12	ga
3 ✓			West William	✓	242	"	13	✓	13	1c
4 ✓		✓	Harris Prince	✓	"	"	28	✓	28	ga
5 ✓			Adams Munday	✓	243	"	20	✓	2	S.O
6 ✓			Sandiford James E	✓	"	White ✓	34	✓	14	ga
7 ✓			David Sam	✓	244	Col'd	58	✓	30	"
8 ✓			Grant Isaac	✓	"	"	48	✓	48	"
9 ✓		✓	Charlton March	✓	245	"	45	✓	45	"
490 ✓			Porter Joshua	✓	"	"	24	✓	2	"

✓			West Allen	✓	"	Col'd	39	✓	12	ga
			West William	✓	242	"	13	✓	13	1c
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500 ✓		✓	Butler Moses	✓	"	"	53	✓	2	"
1 ✓			Mathews W H	✓	251	White ✓	1	✓	1	N.C
2 ✓		✓	Bryant Moses	✓	"	Col'd	25	✓	4 May	ga
3 ✓			Walker Daniel	✓	252	"	25	✓	25	"

Returns of Qualified Voters, 1867

Includes African American and white men over the age of 21 who took an oath of allegiance to the United States government after the Civil War.

Academy and Poor School lists sent to the Governor, 1826-1866,
RG 1-1-117

May include student or parent's name, age, grade level, attendance and curriculum. Available on microfilm.

Researcher tip:
Before 1850, the Census only lists the name of the head of household-children are not named. School lists are one of the records that name children before 1850.

Names of Children	Sexes	Ages		Capt. date in which they reside	Remarks
		years	months		
Elizabeth M. Abney	Female	13	"	Lyonsville	
James M. Adams	Male	13	"	ditto	
William Adams	"	10	"	ditto	

Jones County Poor School list, 1829, RG 1-1-117

Names of Students	Age	Greek	Latin	Mathematics	Philosophy	Grammar	Christianity	Spelling & Reading	Rhetoric	History	Geography	Logic	Pictorial
Miss Louisa	14	1	1	1	1				1			1	
S. Brown	19	1	1	1	1				1			1	
E. Crimmon	18	1	1	1	1				1	1		1	

Jones County Clinton Academy report, 1834, RG 1-1-117

QUESTIONS FOR APPLICANT.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

Oconee County. }

W.S. Parker

of said State and County, desiring to avail himself of the Pension Act approved December 15th, 1894, hereby submits his proofs, and after being duly sworn true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your name and where do you reside? (give State, County and post office)
William S. Parker Garwood Oconee Co Ga
2. Where did you reside on January 1st, 1894, and how long have you been a resident of this State?
Oconee Co Ga. near Watkingville - 61 years
3. When and where were you born?
Henry County Ga. in 1833
4. Did you volunteer in the Confederate Army or in the Georgia Militia?
In Confederate
5. When and where did you enlist?
Davinton Newton Co Ga. May 1862
6. In what company and regiment did you enlist?
Co "B" 53 Ga Reg
7. How long did you remain in that company and regiment?
about 2 1/2 years
8. If you were discharged from same and joined another, or if you were transferred to another, give an account of such discharge or transfer?
Was discharged - in the fall of 1864
9. For how long a period did you discharge regular military duty?
2 1/2 years
10. When, where and under what circumstances were you discharged from service?
On account of sickness
11. What is your present occupation?
Farmer - with 10000 acres of land

- Granted by State where the veteran or widow lived
- Granted to men who served in Confederate army or State Militia or to soldier's widow
- Granted between 1879-1960, most granted between 1895-1920.
- To receive pension applicant was poor and/or disabled.
- Available in the Georgia Archives Virtual Vault.

AN ACT to legitimatise and change the names of certain persons therein named.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the name of George A. Wilson be changed to that of George A. Millican, and that he is hereby declared to be fully and completely legitimatised and entitled to all the right and legal privileges that he would have been, had he been born in lawful wedlock, and be fully capable of inheriting and receiving all manner of property, by virtue of the statute of distribution of this State, so far as relates to the real and personal estate of Samuel Millican, his reputed father—And that the names of Martha Yon, Jesse Yon, and Jason Yon be changed to that of Martha Gardner, Jesse Gardner, and Jason Gardner, and they are hereby declared to be fully and completely legitimatised and entitled to all the rights and legal privileges that they would have been, had they been born in lawful wedlock, and fully capable of taking and inheriting and receiving all

Georgia Laws, 1826

Early Georgia laws approved divorces, the freeing of slaves, name changes, and payments for death or injury.

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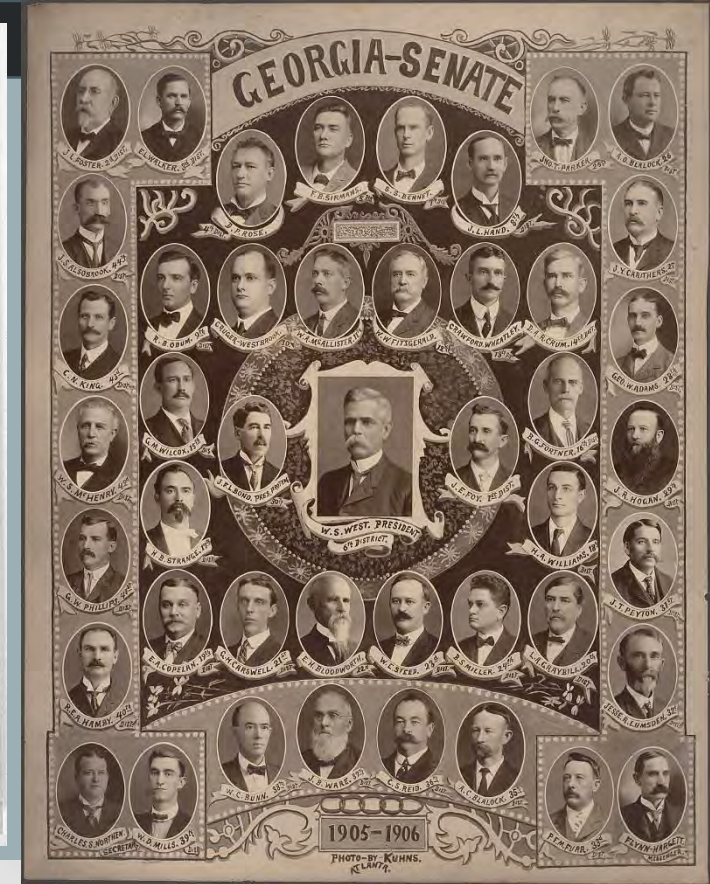
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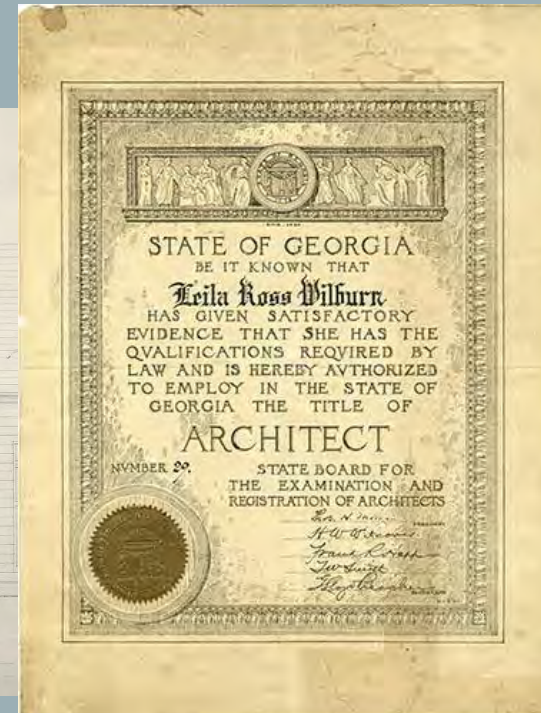
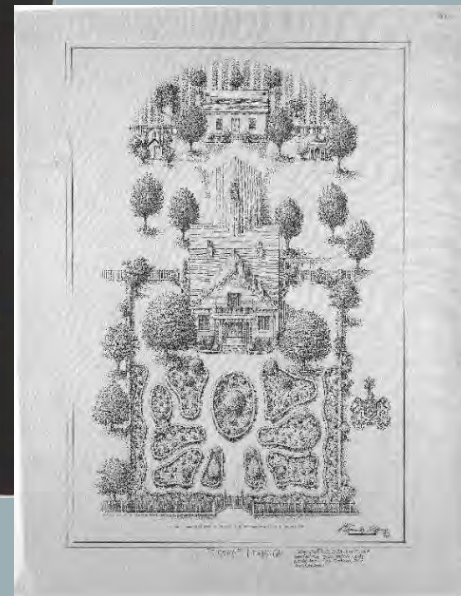
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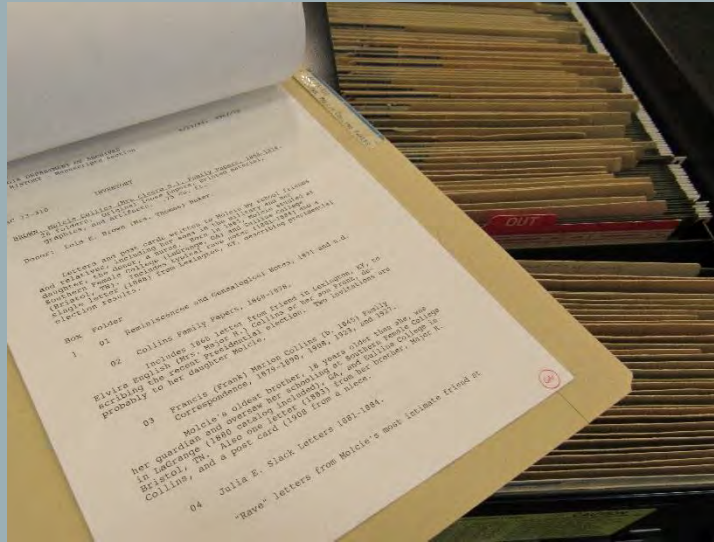
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Dear Annie
Milledgeville, Georgia, May 25th 1897
I received your letter, dated the 18th, and
feel much obliged to you for a day or two, and regret
that you did not commit it to the clerk in charge, as it would have
reached me in eight days from there, and I fear I may be too late to
make any information I can communicate available in compiling
your father's biography. I shall give you such facts as I can find, without
any attempt at arrangement, and leave you to select from them, such
as you may desire to be embodied in them
to be done by yourself and the other members of the
family
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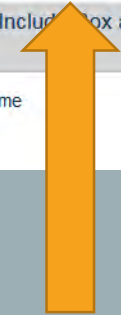
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Arrangement: Records are arranged alphabetically by name of appellant.

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[RCB 9383: 1858 - 1942 - Simpson, J. D. thru Smith, Abe](#)

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Title: Jasper County - Superior Court - Case Files
1809-1922

ID: 179/1/1

Arrangement: Contrary to the normal manner of cases by listing the plaintiff first and then the defendant, these are arranged and listed by the name of the defendant.

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Unpublished Official State Records

Item Description: Petition

Folder or file name (if available): Aaron, John vs. Samuel B. Ewing

Series Title: Superior Court case file

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