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Dear Lt. Commander Kirk:

I am in receipt of your most recent letter mentioning your new found relative, Stephen Kirk and large priority packet of materials that he sent to you showing his research on the Kirk which he shared with you. That is nice that you will have another member of your family to work with you on your mutual genealogy and to help with research. When you sent me the complete packet I read at my earliest convenience noted that there was only one reference from the book on old Albemarle which I had not already searched for you and cited in my reports.

Your cousin called me on the phone the day that I received your letter recommending that I work with him on your work because of your time being so busy right now. When you were here last I could see from what your schedule was then that you are truly swamped at this time getting ready to get your civil pilots license, along with your family responsibilities with your dear wife.

I, like you are in a time when my time is at a premium and have gotten up at 5:30 am to get this additional report off to you in time for the holidays. In addition for three weeks in November and first week of Dec. I found myself having a virus and illness in my family members which really slowed down my research.

With all the duplication of effort here with my work and your cousins I really feel like it would be in your best interest if I held your account in abeyance for six months. This would help you with your family health expenses right now and give me time as I can to reflect on all the references that have already been covered for you and your cousin's thoughts which he expressed to me on the phone.

Your cousin recommended on the phone that I search in Cumberland county, North Carolina records where he said a niece had found a will for an Abraham Womack which mentioned your Anna in will that she had located it in a search at Raleigh.

Further in his material which you copied and sent to me he had gone into a lot of checking on the Abraham Womack of Caswell

and Orange county, North Carolina.(Caswell at a point in time being formed as a county in 1777.(Handybook for Genealogists, George Everton Publishers, 6th edition pg. 165,166. Orange county formed 1752 from Bladen, Granville and Johnston.)

I will now cite my searching for your latest funds plus extra hours I am not charging you for in studying again all the pages of material your cousin sent and taking time to search a lot of Cumberland county, North Carolina and filmed original court records on film here.

I will cite my references by state alphabetically as I always do in my reports, then counties alphabetically for convenience to you in studying and to your cousin whom I assume you will send a copy of this report. Then let us consider the account in abeyance for six months.

Index to Georgia Wills by Jeannette Holland Austin, #975.8P2au. 4 pgs. photocopies enclosed, title page, page citing counties included in index, another page concluding citation of counties and abbreviations. Then note the page showing an Abraham Wommack will in Hancock county in 1797.

In checking the Handybook for Genealogists previously cited I noted under Georgia State county histories that Hancock county, Georgia was formed in 1793 from Greene and Washington counties. Greene county was formed in 1786 from Washington, Oglethorpe and Wilkes counties. Washington county was formed (pgs. 45,48 Handybook) in 1784 from Indian Lands.

I told you in our conversations here when we met that I had felt that the Stephen Kirk of Hancock may or may not be the same one as yours that ended up in Jones county, Ga. Further that some work had been done by another party and submitted to the library as part of their research in the International Genealogy Index which indicated that the Stephen Kirk of Hancock county had married Elizabeth McClendon and no mention of another wife of Annah or Annie.

Since Greene county was a parent county of Hancock I searched a few references there as a sampling to see if additional checking in original filmed references would seem warranted later. Note photocopies from book Greene county, Ga., Land Records Deeds 1785-1810, #975.8612R28t. 6 pgs.

Note pg. 69 reference to an early deed in Greene county dated 30 Aug 1786 referring to Henry Taylor and wife, Catherine selling to Abraham Wommack of Greene a slave and 287 12/2 acres of land. One of witnesses to deed was a John Kirk.

Note on page 142 of Greene county land records abstracts continued from previous page that Abraham Womack is selling land to Sherwood Womack 27 Nov 1792, 200 acres on Graybill's Creek, bounded by Larwood Womack. One of witnesses to deed, David Womack.

Note on page 429 same book photos, Greene county, deeds, George Kirk of Montgomery county, North Carolina selling land, 400 acres in Greene to Edmond Carnes. Pg. 530 same book refers to same parties and an apparent typo with date 1890 which would seem more to be 1790 with it being recorded in 1810.

Final page of photos refers to George Kirk of Montgomery county, N. Car. referring to sale to Edmond Carnes of Montgomery county, N. Car., 400 acres in Greene conveyed to George Kirk by Peter Carnes.

This shows in parent county of Hancock, Greene an Abraham Womack in documents as early as 1792. Further a George Kirk who resides in Montgomery county, N. Car. is cited as selling and buying in Greene county, Georgia.

Greene county, Ga. marriages compiled by Frances T. Ingmire, #975.8612V2i. Looked for all Kirk and Womack references early. Pg. 00038 John Kirk - Barsheba Tyler, no date. Pg. 00071 Mancil Womack - Sarah Rogers 9-11-1790. No early Stephen Kirk marriage to either an Annah, Annie Womack or Elizabeth McClendon.

History of Greene county, Ga. compiler Dr. Thaddeus Bracket Rice, 975.861H2r, published by The J. W. Burke county. Abraham Warmack-Wamack (their spelling) mentioned in book with deeds previously cited in the land records abstracts.

Greene county, Ga. Wills, Appraisements and Inventories, 1787-1798 by J. McMinus, #975.8612P2m. Pg. 1 Mathew Warnock, a traveler in Pendleton District, South Carolina, administrator to Robert Warnock 7-15-1795. Pg. 3 Mathew Warnock of South Carolina, administration granted John Warnock 3-16-1798. No Kirks mentioned in this book.

Hancock county, Ga. original wills I checked for Abraham Wommack will from statewide index previously cited. See enclosed filmed copy of original will. This will dated 2 June 1797 and proved in court same year. Children cited in will Jesse, William, David, Sherwood, Mancel, Susannah Glenn, Mary Coleman, Elizabeth, Sarah, Lucy, William, John. Son in laws, William Stone, Clement Glenn and Francis Coleman. Pg. 223/4 not photocopied because inventory and nothing of interest to establish relationships to his family. 5 filmed pages.

I reviewed my previous searching in Hancock county, Georgia records in my notebook for Georgia research notes here. These references included some cemetery records, deed indexes, then I

had searched original deeds for you for all early Kirk names. I didn't go into the deeds for Womack at that time since his will didn't seem to establish a connection there.

Earliest deed previously searched for you in Hancock county for a Stephen Kirk (whether yours or not at this point not definitely proven) on 2 Jan 1794 Nathan Barnett sold him land 100 acres on Fort Creek, one of witnesses was Joel McClendon. Deed book AB, film 222010, pgs. 197/8. Same book pgs. 487/8 Thomas Brantley sold to John Kirk 6 Nov 1797 land in Washington county, formerly but now in Hancock county on waters of Ogochee, 204 acres.

Also previously searched in Hancock deeds, book D, pgs. 62/3 William Thompson sells to Isaac Kirk land in Hancock on waters of Beaverdam, 300 acres, 7 Oct 1797.

Hancock county deeds, book H, film 222013, previously searched and reported to you, pgs. 541-543 William Daniel and wife-Mary, John Myreek and wife -Elizabeth, Jacob Zollioffer-with-Martha, all of Halifax county, N. Car. sell to Henry Colquett of Hancock county, Ga. Sellers are reported lawful heirs of Isaac Kirk, deceased, sale dated 7 Oct 1794.

In past report also did original will indexes for Kirk. Inferior Court Probate records 1794-1809. Mixed estate records with inventories and other court matters in this original filmed court record. Pg. 17, item one, 24 June 1795 Stephen Kirk a juror with others. Pg. 20 Stephen Kirk listed as overseer of roads from Samuel Hawkin's to Major Tripps old place. Pg. 76 John Kirk suing Moses Harris.

Also did Court of Ordinary Wills and estate index, 222086, 1793-1900. No Kirk names. Hancock county, Ga. original tax returns on film 007131 also searched by me 1796-1801, no Kirk names. Capt. Taliferras district, Joel McClendon, 267 1/2 acres.

Also in past did a book called 40,000 Early Georgia Marriages by Maddox and Carter, 975.8V2me. This book included abstracts of marriages from Greene county, Washington county and Hancock county. No early Stephen Kirk marriage to either a McClendon or an Annie/Annah.

Since I had not completed Womack/Warnock, etc. references I did review many of those same references for that name including the enclosed filmed copy of an Abraham Womach's original will. The will for the Hancock county Abraham Womack will showed no daughter, Annah or Anna, etc. but did have a daughter Susannah Glenn, married to Clement Glenn at time of her father's will.

Note enclosed book photos, 10 pages of Land Deed Genealogy of Hancock county, Georgia, #975.8623R2m compiled by Helen and Tim Marsh. Abraham Womack was an early Justice of the Peace there.

Note reference pg. 8/9 referring to a land sale 1788, John Maynor to David McGhee adjoining lands of Joel McClendon and Stephen Kirk. Note same page reference to Abraham Warmack's land on waters of Powells Creek. Note pg. 44/45 deed 10 Nov 1795 Thomas Harvey and wife, Sarah selling to Joseph Cooper land on waters of Beaverdam of Ogeechee with witness Stephen Kirk. Also note pg. 51 one of deed I had cited in my previous work Nathan Barnett selling to Stephen Kirk in 1794. Pg. 118 Abraham Womack sells land on waters Graybill's creek, 1797 to one of his son in laws, Francis Coleman. Pg. 133 Abraham Womack selling to more of his relatives in two deeds.

This is all the data I have taken time to compile from the various sources including a statewide probate index to Georgia, plus Hancock county, Ga. references.

The History of Jones county, Ga. that your cousin suggests I read I have already searched and it is on file at the library, 975.8567H2w. Book had abstracts from various court records mainly which I have already cited to you, including some marriage records abstracts. In Jones county I have also done original census from 1830-1850 for all Kirk names. I have done deed indexes for all Kirk names(original index on film)

It is from original deed books that I figured when he first(Stephen Kirk) was listed on deeds there and when a deed referred to administration of his estate after his decease. This data was included on family group sheets which I updated as I do from time to time as new sources became available to me. Earliest deed that I found in past searching for your Stephen was in 1807 there and latest for 1816. Then 11 Jan 1822 deed by his administrators. John, & William Kirk were administrators and Anna Kirk, Administratrix.

I sent you copies of those original deeds in previous reports which dealt with your family. In addition I sent to you copies from original probate matters dealing with your Kirk's in previous reports for Jones county. This includes will books

Next I turned my attention to the North Carolina Wills; A Testator' Index, 1665-1900 by Thornton W. Mitchell, Volume II, K-Z, since your cousin wanted to have checking done on Womacks in Cumberland county wills I thought I would get the exact reference from this index and there was no Abraham Womack/Wommack in this index for Cumberland county. Note the pages with index to county codes which identify the different counties by their code names on the pages referring to the wills for each name series. The

only Womack wills referred to in that index were for Abraham's dying in Caswell county #20 and Lincoln county #60. None listed for Cumberland county unless under a weird spelling like Warnock?

I went to Caswell county will abstracts to see about the will there for an Abraham Womack dated 15 Sep 1796 and proved in early 1800's according to Mitchell's index. two pages photos.

Note from book The Story of Fayetteville and the Upper Cape Fear, compiled by John A. Oates(Cumberland county), #975.6373H2o, pg. 588 reference to battles of revolution in area mention of a skirmish at Kirk's farm on old road to Hillsboro(Orange county - my note).

These are other references referring to Cumberland county, North Carolina which I checked as your cousin had requested of me.

General Index Deeds, Grantee, Cumberland county, North Carolina, H-L, 1754-1897, film 1689345 Earliest Kirk deed in index Patrick Kirk - John Baxter Book 34, pg. 418. Others all later. No Stephen Kirk. Film 1689367 General Index Deeds Cumberland county, N. Car., grantor(seller), same years 1754-1897, item 2, H-L. Only one Kirk deed, Patrick Kirk - John McArn, Bk. 38, pg. 111, 1818 lot Hay street, Fayetteville. Index Grants, register of deeds office, 12774-1927, Cumberland county, N. Car., film 316905, item 2, nothing.

Cumberland county, N. Carolina deed index, Grantee, 1754-1897, film 1689344, Womack, Wormack, Warnock deeds. None to an Abraham. Earliest, Benjamin Womach - to William Jones and others Bk. 6, pg. 19, 1773, 200 acres McNeills Creek. John Womack - John Sterling book 6, pg. 239, 1774 - 30 acres Cape Fear river. Wiley Womack - Nathan Rowland Bk. g, pg. 429, 1778, 100 acres Neill/McNeills creek. Several North Carolina state grants to Benjamin Womack(3). Many for Benjamin on McNeills/Neills creek.

Cumberland county, N. Carolina deed index, Grantor(seller), 1754-1897 film 1689365. No Abraham Womack listed in this index. Many for Benjamin Warmach/Wammach/Wormack earliest Benjamin Warmach - Charles Stewart, 60 acres McNiells creek, book 7, pg. 125, 1783. Will Wormach and others deed to Nathaniel Folsom, 100 acres branch Buise Creek, 1791, book 11 pg. 403. Benjamin Warmack by his executors - William Warmack, executor, to James Stevens bk. 17, pgs. 111, 1798, 4 tracts. Note copying all for you as too time consuming. Other given names cited in deed index Jacob, William, Green and Ann Wammack, etc.

Cumberland county, N. Carolina Index wills original index on film early to 1942, A-Z deviser(person writing will), film 018726. No Kirk or Lewis Wills. No Warnock, Womack, Wommack

wills listed in this index. Earliest Womack will in 1900, Celia Ann Womack 8-28-1900, book F, pg. 212, file #618.

Cumberland county, N. Carolina Marriage Bonds and returns, compiled by Utah Genealogical Society, #975.6373V25c. No Kirk names at all, well indexed. Pg. 329 Robert Wommack - Patsey Wright 2 Aug 1808, other marriages for that name in 1860's-1870's. None listed earlier. Index by both male and female names.

Abstracts of Deeds Cumberland county, N. carolina by William C. Fields, 1754-1770, book one through three, #975.6373R29a. Well indexed to Kirk, Womach, Womack, Warnock, etc names at all.

Cumberland county, N. Carolina will Abstracts, compilers Mrs. Kate James Kepene, and Mrs. Anna Sherman, #975.6373P21, 1754-1863. Pg. 174 Benjamin Warmack will dated 18 Feb 1791- proved April 1791; wife Thuise; children-Wyley, Jacob, William, Benjamin, Lucie, Sarah and brother in law, William Rolan. Didn't photocopy because no mention of an Abraham or other relatives known to you. No Womack probate.

Cumberland county, originals wills on film 182727, arranged alphabetically on the film. No Kirks, no Womack wills.

Since there was another Abraham's will in Lincoln thought I would check that one out too, to see if any possible connection and help for our problem. I did check some Cumberland county, Bible records abstracts in book 975.6373K4c, no Kirks, Womacks.

Lincoln county, N. Carolina will Abstracts compiled by Miles S. Philbeck, Jr. and Grace Turner, 1779-1910, #975.6782P28m See 2 pgs. photos for other Abraham Womack will dated 4 Aug 1803. Lincoln county in southern North Carolina.


I would like to see a copy of the will that your cousin's niece found on your Abraham because I searched a lot of records in Cumberland and found no trace of the man there myself as your cousin suggested I search. If she searched at Raleigh was it in the copies of wills just filed at the archive there and not in original will books? If, so it should have been cited in Mitchell's will index and it wasn't. I regret not finding more clues in Cumberland county, N. Carolina records. Only clue was in book on Fayetteville included with this report with reference to s skirmish during revolution on Kirk's farm on road to Hillsboro(Orange county).

I want to wish you and your lovely wife a most pleasant holiday season and happiness in the New Year. We will be enjoying our 15 grandchildren, close friends, daughters, son in laws, etc. We have more family birthdays in December and July than any other months.

Give my regards to your cousin also and best wishes with his searching in the New Year. I will review the files and notebooks of my research during the coming six months and if at the end of that time I can think of anything more to try in North Carolina that I haven't already done, I would be pleased to work with you and your cousin again at that time. Sometimes letting a line rest for a time would give me a chance to reflect and see if any new avenues come to me to try.

I will not charge for additional time other than funds sent for this search just consider the balance part of my Christmas to you. I did some checking also in Washington county, Ga. reference books but since not a single clue found am not citing references. I could do so for another report if you wish, but was negative search in some book abstracts for surviving records in that county which are few because of records destruction.

Sincerely yours,



Mrs. Lola Sorensen/AG

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Hancock Co., Ga. Abraham Womach will, 5 filmed pages
Book photos, 29 sheets, including statewide will indexes, N. Car. and Georgia for Womack/Wommack, etc.
Cumberland will abstracts 2 pgs. for your cousin,
The Story of Fayetteville both copies for you & cousin
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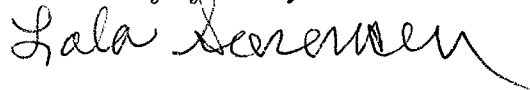
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Dear client:

I have decided to enclose an extra copy of the report for you to send to your cousin. I would have sent it direct but his address was not listed on any of the communication. I didn't take time to photocopy all of the enclosures for him that accompany your report. Thought you could send him whatever he might want. I am enclosing a copy for you to give him from a Cumberland county N. Carolina history of Fayetteville mentioning revolutionary war skirmish on Kirk's farm on road to Hillsborough. But nothing oh Womach, Warnock, etc.

In six months as per main part of my report, I will review the file again and see if anything more occurs to me to try in North Carolina where your cousin wants the search concentrated.

Sincerely yours,



Mrs. Lola Sorensen

encl/ disc for you also forgot to mention in body of report on paper