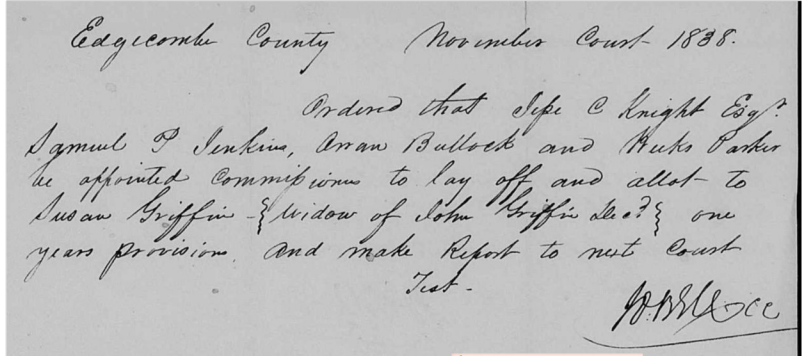
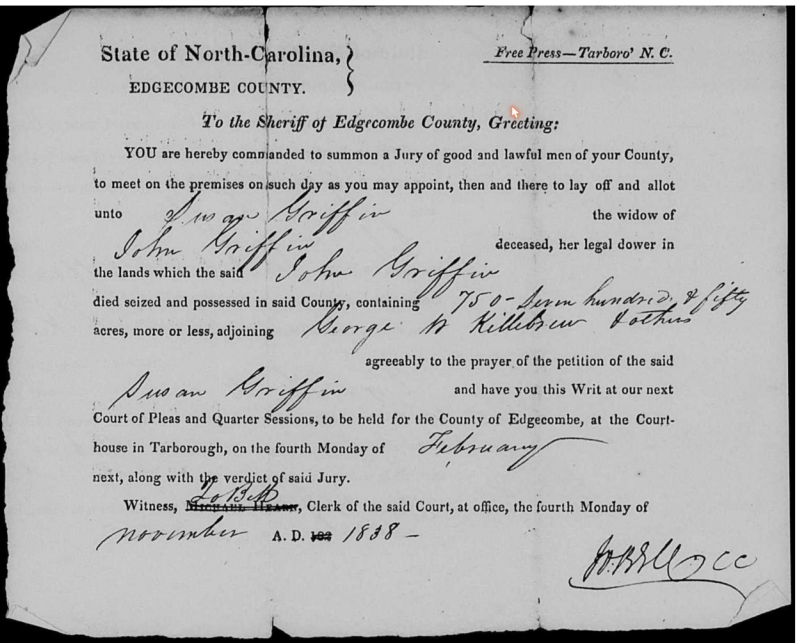


John Griffin appeared repeatedly as administrator of Oney Griffin's 1818-20 estate sale (son of Wm Griffin d.1813)

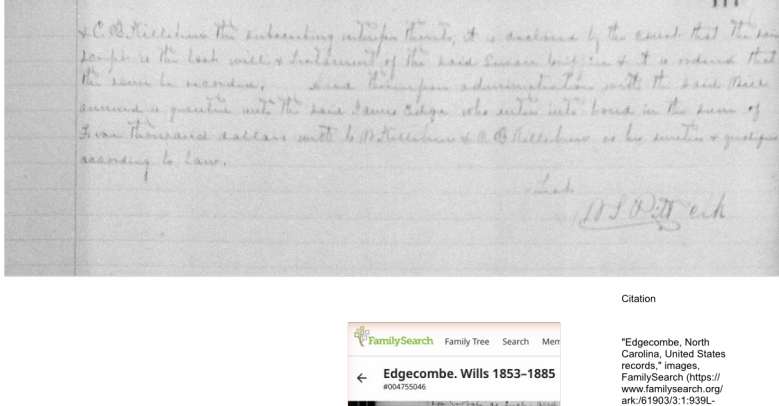
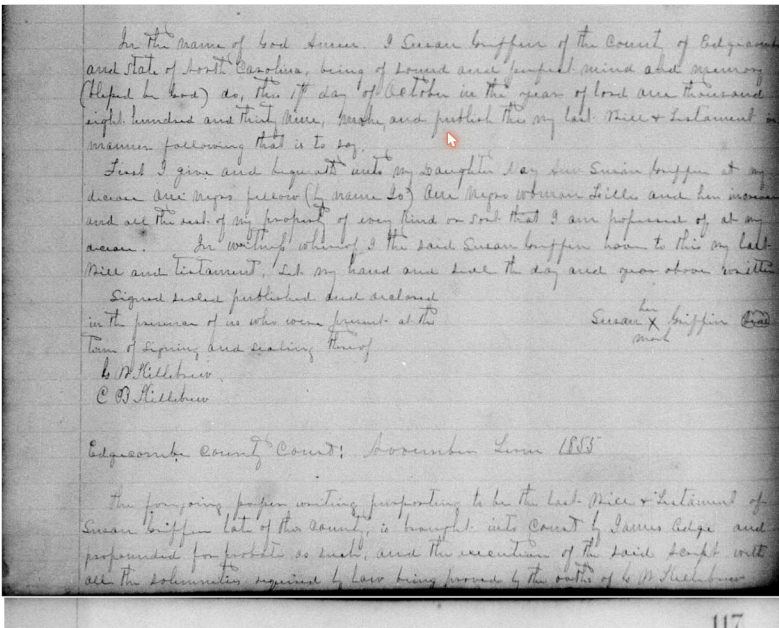
The question is : is this him or is this the son of another John Griffis (brother of Wm Griffin)



"Edgecombe County November Court 1838. Ordered that Jesse C. Knight Esqr, Samuel F. Jenkins, Oran Bullock and Weeks Parker be appointed Commissioners to lay off and allot to Susan Griffin — widow of John Griffin Decd — one year's provisions, and make Report to next Court. Test Bullock? "



Edgecombe, North Carolina. Probate Estate Case Files 1748-1917. It's the sheriff's writ dated the fourth Monday of November 1838, ordering a jury to lay off Susan Griffin's dower in the 750-acre tract which the said John Griffin died seized and possessed," adjoining George W. Killebrew.

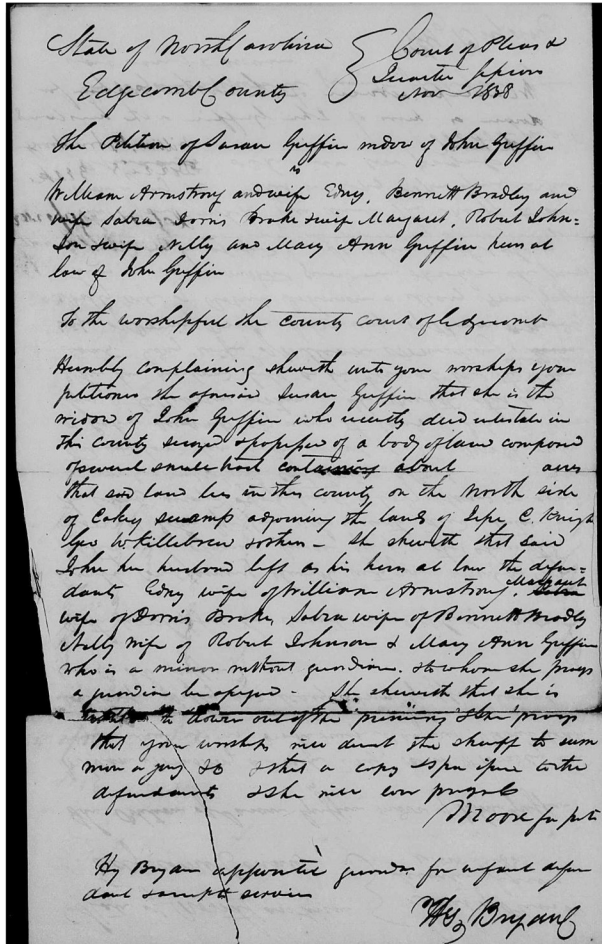


Edgecombe, North Carolina. Wills 1853-1885, image 92/693 — Susan Griffin's own will:

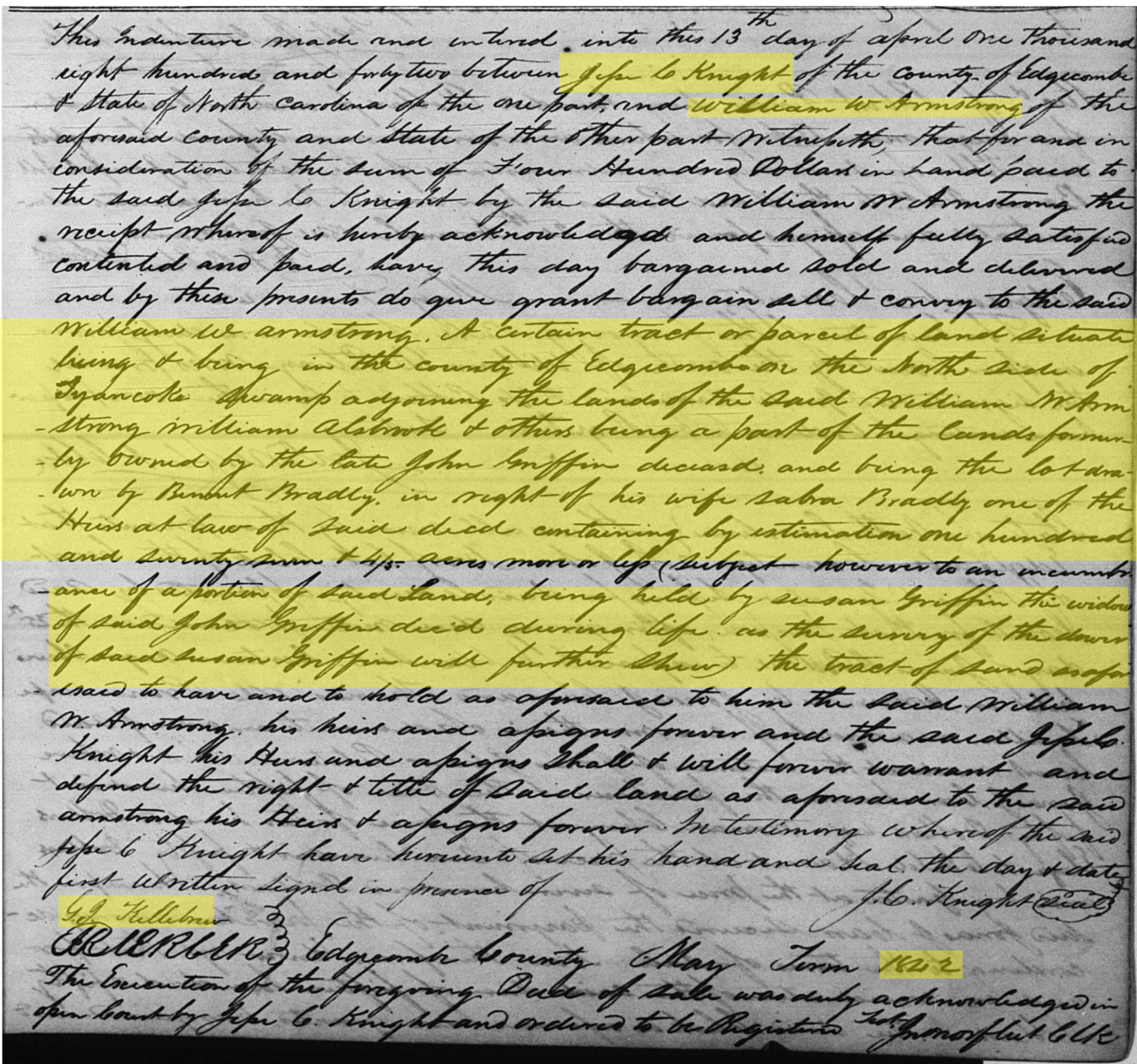
"In the name of God Amen. I Susan Griffin of the County of Edgecombe and State of North Carolina, being of sound and perfect mind and memory (blessed be God) do this 1 day of October in the year of Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine, [make] and publish [this] my last Will & Testament... First I give and bequeath unto my Daughter May Ann Susan Griffis at my decease one negro fellow by name... and all the rest of my property of every kind... Signed sealed published and declared in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof, S R Killebrew, C B Killebrew."

Proving clause: "Edgecombe County Court, November Term 1855... the foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament of [Susan] Griffin... is brought into Court by James Edge and [propounded] for probate as such, and the execution of the said script with all the [solemnities] required by law being proved by the oath of ? ? Killebrew."

So: will written 1 Oct 1839 (a year after John Griffin's 1838 death), witnessed by S R Killebrew and C B Killebrew, and proved/recorded November 1855 — meaning Susan Griffin died shortly before that date. James Edge brought it to probate, matching the "James Edge administrator of Susan Griffin" account settlement found in the 1857 Court Minutes and the 1855-56 Account Records. Combined with the 1842 deed (Jesse C. Knight to William W. Armstrong, witnessed by G.J. Killebrew, selling the reversion of Susan's dower tract), this gives a fairly complete arc: John Griffin d. 1838 (750ac, adjoining George W. Killebrew) — widow Susan Griffin's dower set off 1838-39 — she wills her estate 1839 — dies/ probated 1855 — estate settled by administrator James Edge through 1857.



Susan Griffin was the widow of John Griffin, who died intestate in 1838. His estate petition (Nov 1838, Probate Estate Case Files, ark 3:1.3357-910Y-4LP, img 594) names his land as lying "on the North side of Coyley [Tyancoke] Swamp, adjoining the lands of Jesse C. Knight land — Geo. W. Killebrew — square inside the project's study area. It lists five daughters as his only heirs: Esby (m. William Armstrong), Sabra (m. Bennett Bradley), Margaret (m. a Blake), Nelly (m. Robert Johnson), and Mary Ann (unmarried minor). A companion 1842 deed (ark 3:1.3057-69DK-GH77, img 75) confirms the land partition among these heirs and Susan's dower.

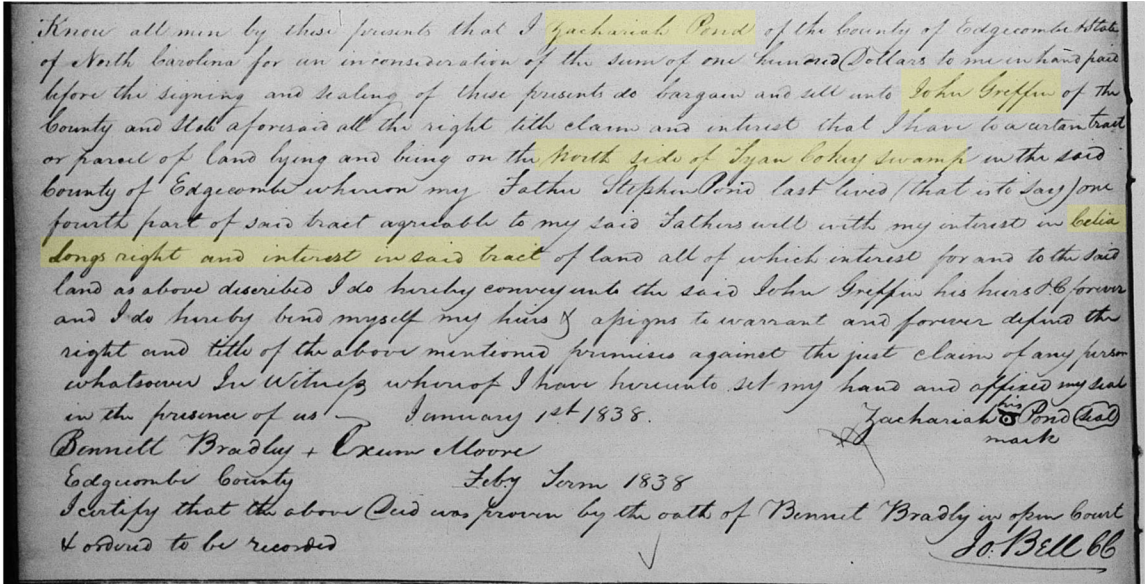


Jesse Knight to William W Armstrong 177 acres 1742

begin x NS Tyancoke Swamp adjoining Wm W Armstrong, Wm Alsbrook & others

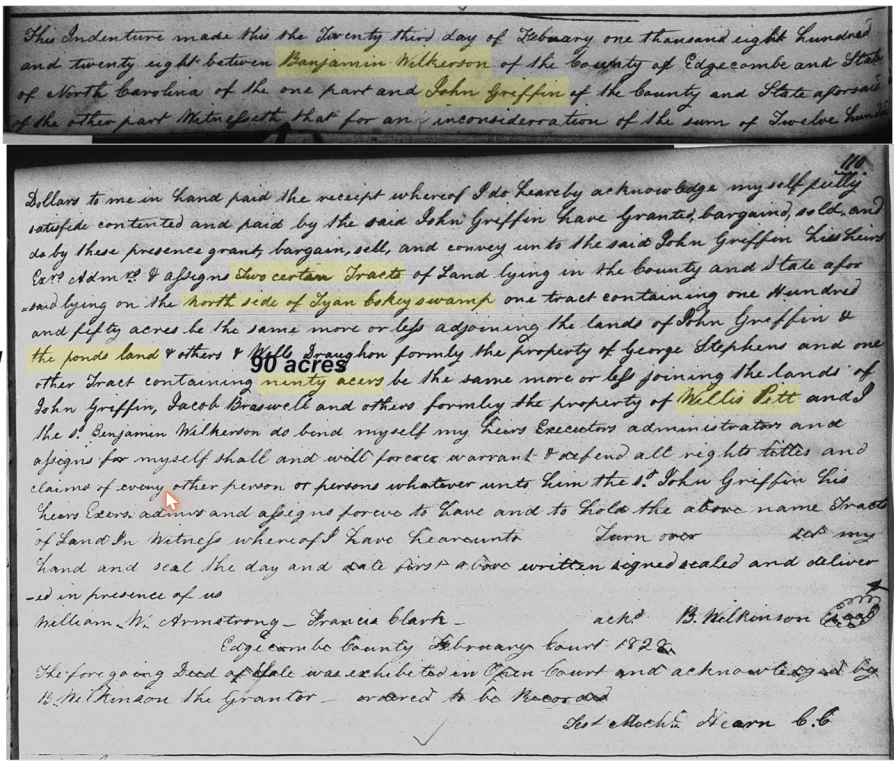
"part of the lands formerly owned by the late John Griffin deceased" "and being the lot drawn by Bennet Bradley in right of his wife Sabra Brady one of the heirs at law of the said deceased..." "subject however to an incumbrance of a portion of said land being held by Susan Griffin the widow..."

1838

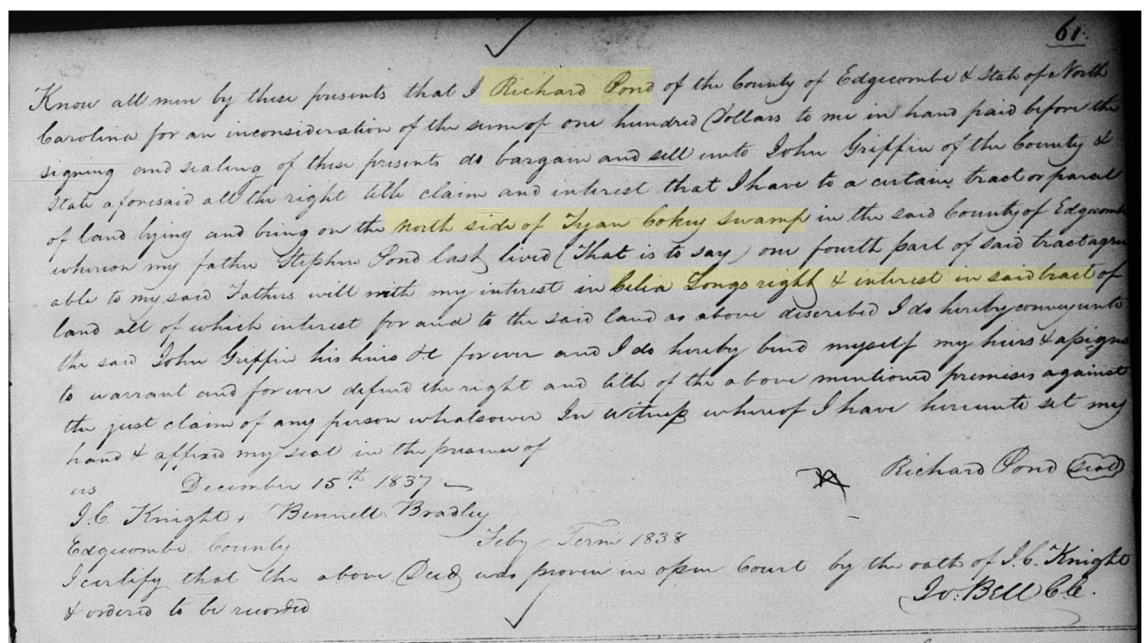


Zachariah Pond to John Griffin 1/4 part/Celia Long 1838

1828



Benjamin Wilkerson to John Griffin 150 acres 1828

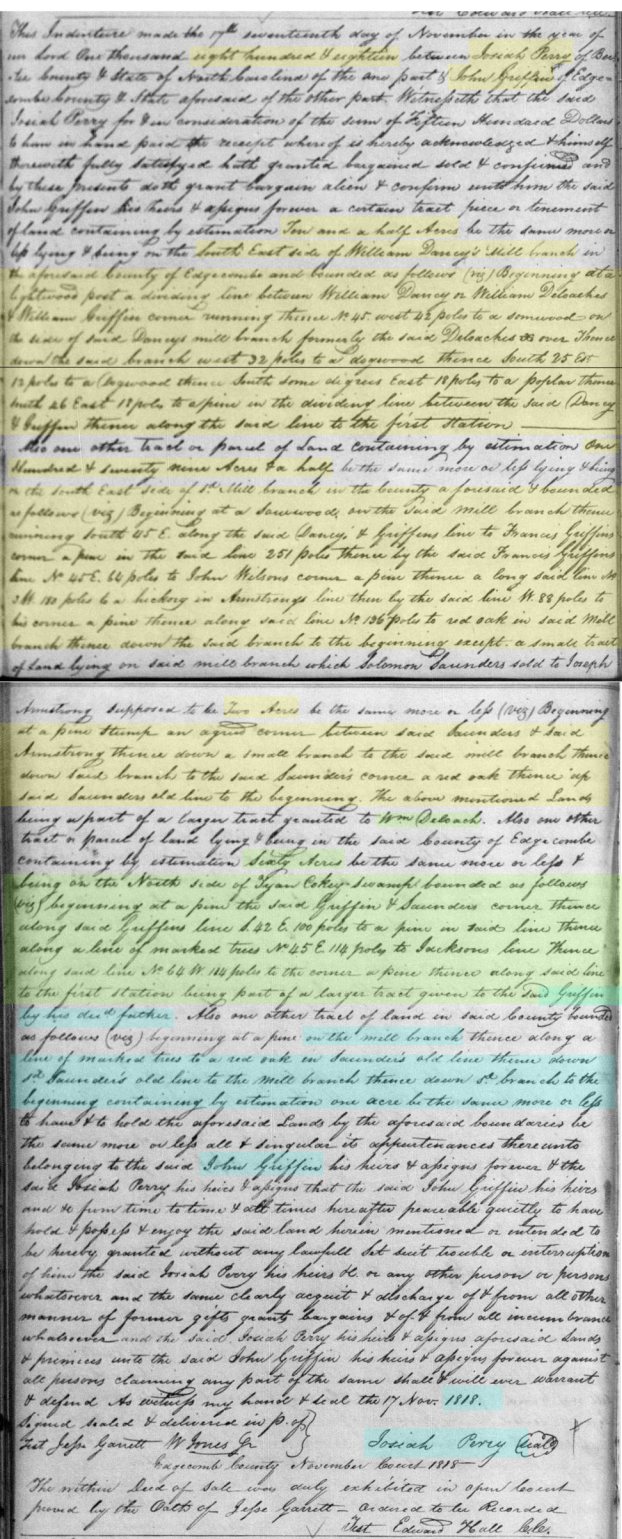


Richard Pond to John Griffin 1/4 part/Celia Long 1838

Celia (Griffin) Long was daughter of Wm Griffin/Oney

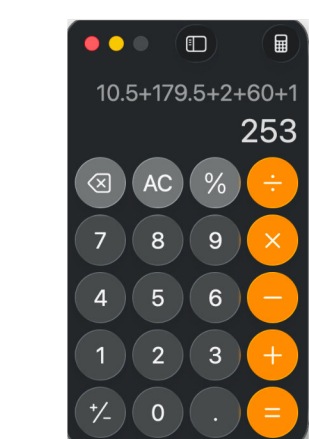
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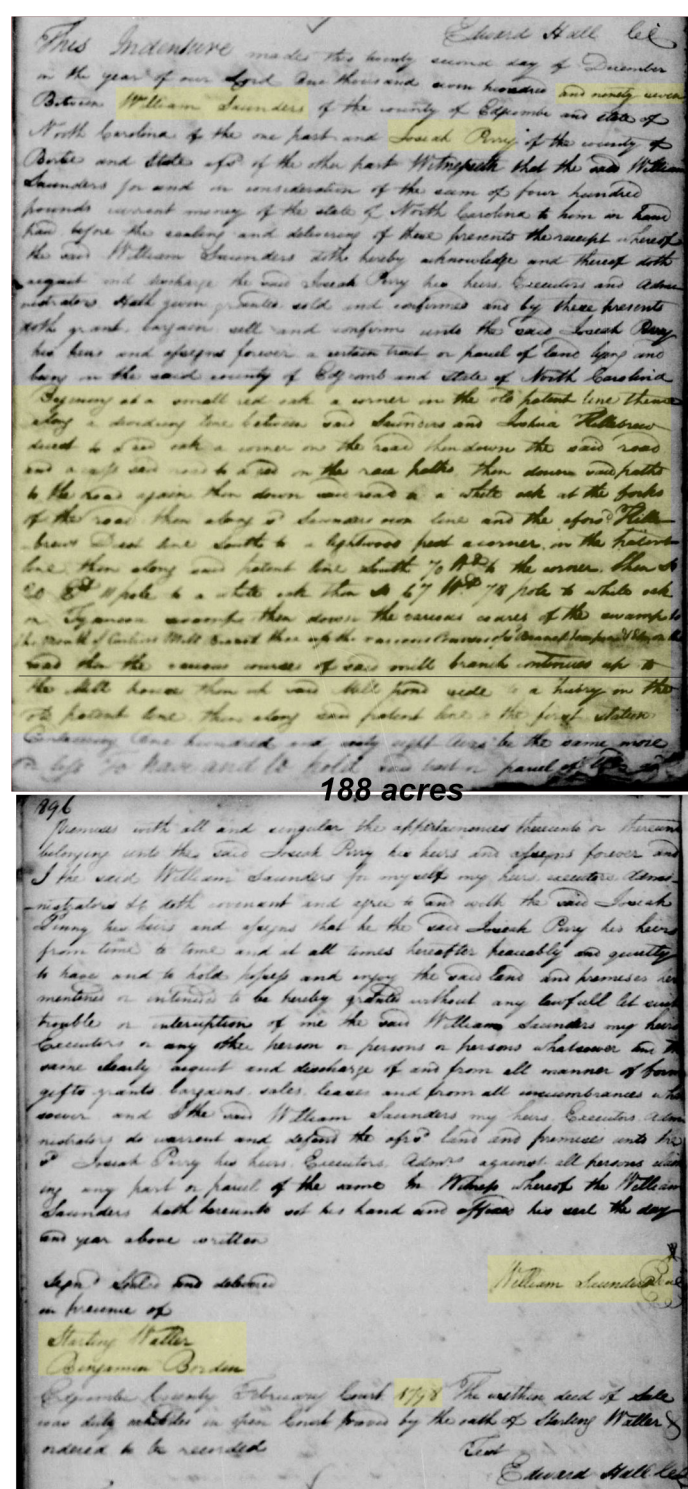
Josiah Perry to John Griffin multiple plats 253 acres 1818

10.5 acres SE side William Dancy's Mill begin x at Coyley Line between William Dancy & William Delachies & William Griffin corner N 45 W 42 to Dancy's Mill Branch (formerly sd Delachies) W 32 down sd branch S 25 E 12 S 25 E 18 in the Dividing Line then to 1st 179.5 acres SE side William Dancy's Mill begin x on Dancy Mill Branch S 45 E 25 along Dancy/Griffin line to Francis Griffin N 45 E 54 to John Wilson S 3 W 180 (7) to Armstrong line W 88 N 136 to said Mill Branch 2 acres (excepted from above) see deed begin x corner between Saunders & Armstrong down a small branch to said Mill Branch up sd branch to Saunders "the above...land being part of a tract granted Wm Delachies" 60 acres NS Tyancoke Swamp begin x at Griffith/Saunders corner N 45 E 114 to Jackson line N 64 W 104 then to 1st "part of a tract given Griffin by his dec'd father" 1 acre on the Mill Branch begin x on the Mill Branch along a line (Saunders old line) to the Mill Branch down Branch to 1st



Perry must have added to the original 188 acres...

This is where Perry got the land...



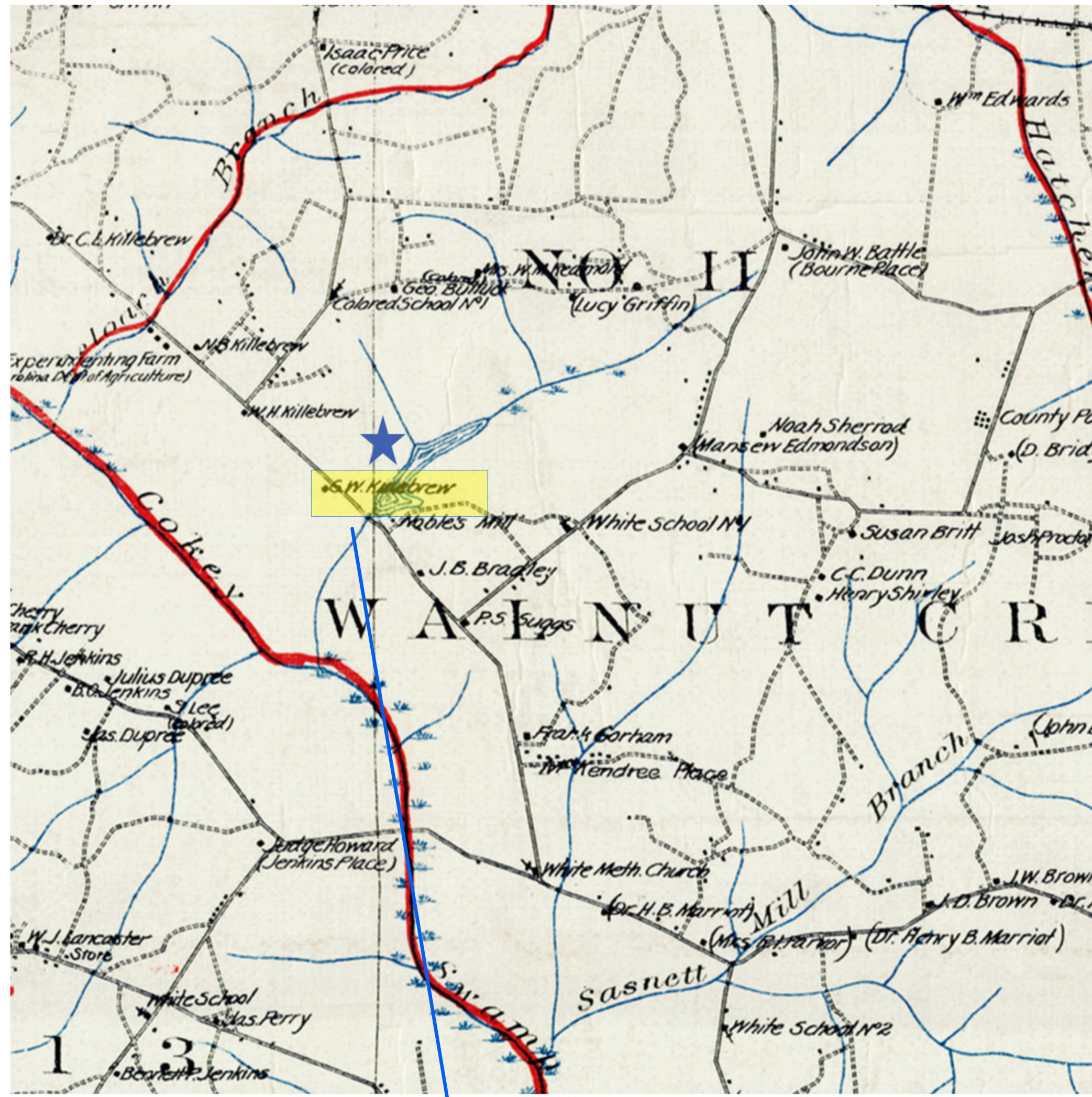
1797

William Saunders to Josiah Perry 188 acres 1797

begin x corner on old Patent line then along a Dividing Line (between said Saunders and Joshua Killebrew) to the ROAD down sd ROAD and across to a PATH then down sd PATH to the ROAD again then down sd ROAD to FORKS of the ROAD then along Saunders own line & Killebrew Deed Line SOUTH to Patent Line S 70 W (7) to corner S 20 E 11 S 67 W 75 to Tyancoke Swamp down Swamp to MOUTH of Mill Branch up sd Branch to the ROAD up sd Branch to the MILL HOUSE up MILL POND side to the Patent Line S 70 W (7) to corner then along Patent Line to 1st

Map of Edgecombe County, 1905

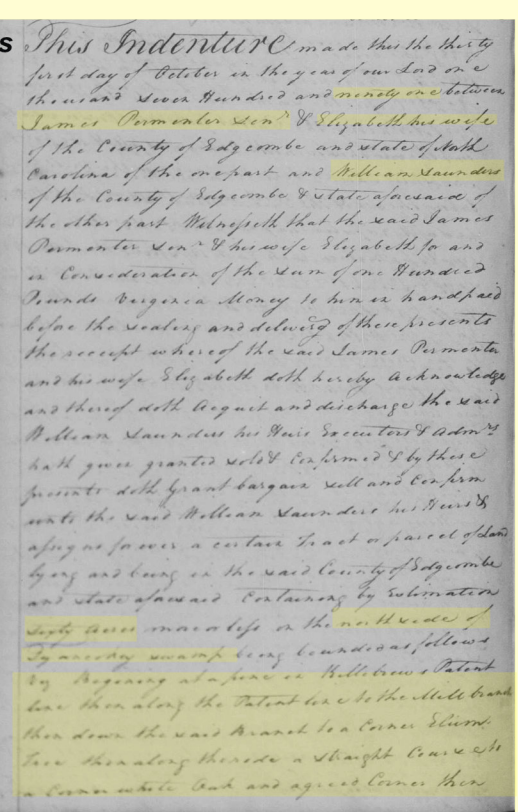
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G.W. Killebrew

1791

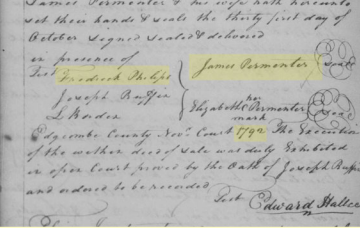
James Permenter Sr to William Saunders 60 & 32 acres 1791



32 acres

begin x at side Tyancoke Swamp in Killebrew Patent line then to Mill Branch then down Branch then to 1st Esby Esby Esby "part of a larger tract including plantation where Robert Killebrew lives..."

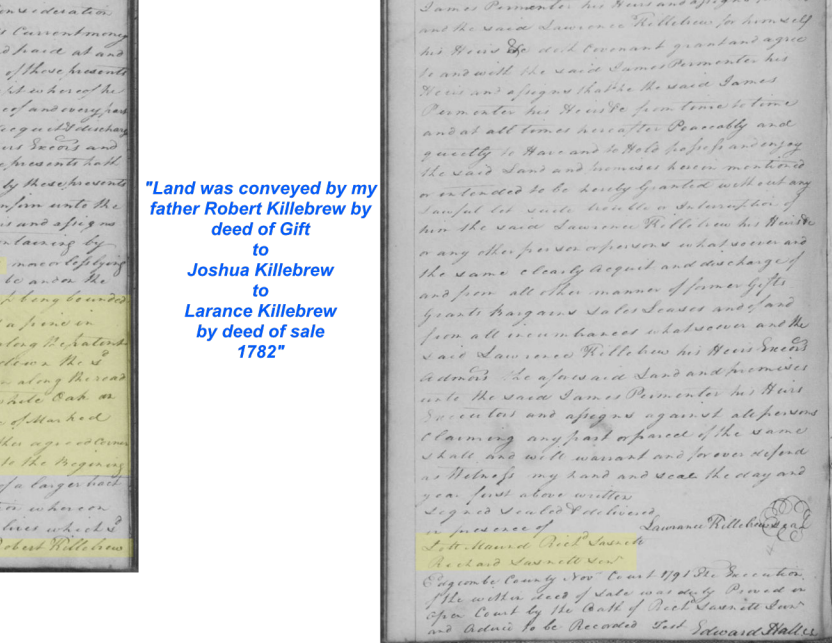
James Permenter Sr married daughter of Robert Killebrew "my Father Robert Killebrew"



Robert Killebrew now has three identified children (Joshua, Laurence, and Elizabeth), and James Permenter Sr/Jr are very likely father and son meaning Jr's 1786 land purchase from Laurence Killebrew was probably a deal with his own uncle, if this reading holds.

1782

Laurence Killebrew to James Permenter Jr. 100 acres 1786



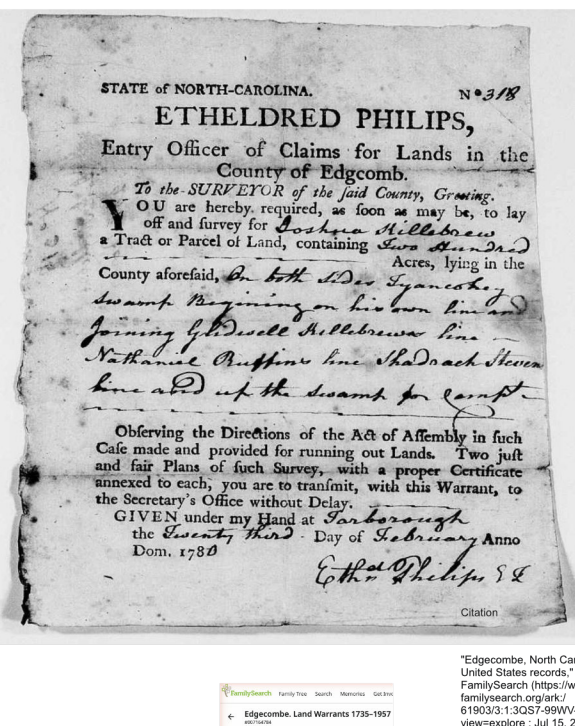
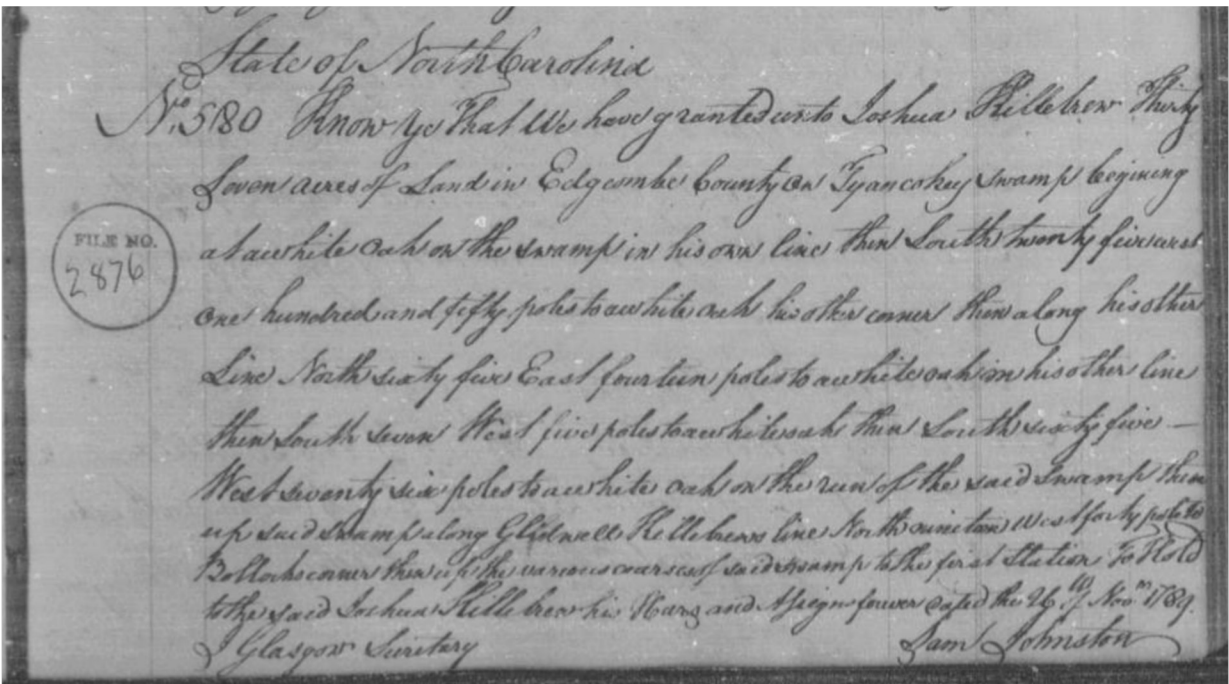
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NC LAND GRANT IMAGES AND DATA Edgecombe Co. File No. 2876, Joshua Killebrew Issued 26 Nov 1789 for 37 acres "On Tyancoke Swamp"

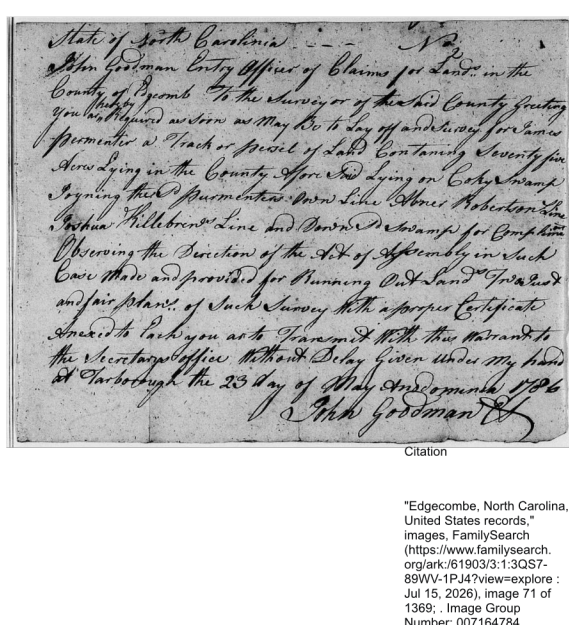
From PATENT BOOK Issued 26 Nov 1789 County Edgecombe Grant no. 180 Book 23 pg 27



Joshua Killebrew's own 1780 warrant (patent)Image Group #00764784, Edgecombe, Land Warrants 1755-1827, vol. 388-395, image 111/1381, ark 3:1.3257-69DK-1G7H, Warrant #318, Elizabeth Philips, Entry Office: 23 Feb 1780, grants the surveyor to lay off 200 acres for Joshua Killebrew, "on both Sides Tyancoke (Tyancoke) Swamp, Beginning on his own line, along said Killebrew to, Nullallies Ruffins line, Shadowd Stevenson line."

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So there is no Killebrew patent missing from R5 — there's no Killebrew patent at all, colonial or state. And this Joshua Killebrew 37ac grant is a different, smaller instrument than the 200ac warrant I found yesterday (Warrant #318, 1780) — so Joshua apparently ran two separate warrant/grant sequences, and neither one is Robert's.

That means the "Killebrew's patent line" language in the 1786 and 1791 deeds currently isn't literal — it's the same pattern already established elsewhere in this project (the branch renamed "Killebrew's Mill Branch" for whoever currently held the mill). A scrivener calling it "Killebrew's patent line" doesn't require Killebrew to have been the patentee — it just means that's whose land the old patent line now runs through.

Net: Robert Killebrew's acquisition of the mill-branch-mill-pond tract was very likely by private deed — most plausibly from Francis Griffith or an heir — not by any grant of his own, and that specific deed remains unfound in either EdgeDeedsFull, New.pdf or FamilySearch. This is a clean negative result, not a dead end on the underlying question.