

## Bowker

The pedigree of the Bowkers back into Lancashire rests on a similarity of names and of Venn's [*Alumni Cantabrigienses*] understanding that the Lancashire Ralph Bowker, Jr., and James Bowker were brothers. The name "Ralph" recurs in the parish registers of Manchester, Lancs., as does the name "James," but without further information about Rev. James of Taxall, Cheshire, for whom I have not been able to locate probate information either in Cheshire or at the PCC, the connection will remain tenuous.

Venn, Part 1, p. 192: "Ralph Bowker, admitted sizar, at St. John's, June 2, 1678. Son of James, clerk of Marple, Cheshire. Born at Caton, Lancs. School, Stockport. matric 1678. Probably brother of James (1684)."

Baptism: The Parish Registers of St. Paul, Caton, Lancashire, 1655-1900 (FHL #1278857).

Lancashire Parish Register Society, vol. 59, Henry Brierley, compiler, *The Registers of Caton, 1585-1718* (Preston, Lancs: R. Reed & Sons, 1922):

p. 24

A daughter of Mr. Bowkers, bapt. 5 May 1658

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Ralph, son of Mr. Booker, bapt. 6 Sept 1660

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A daughter of Mr. Bowkers still born, bd. 6 May 1658

Ralph Bowker's brother James Bowker was b. c1665. See Beverley Fleet, *Virginia Colonial Abstracts*, vol. 6, *King & Queen County, Records Concerning 18th Century Persons*, 3rd Collection (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1961), p. 19: "A list of Clergy: ...King & Queen County, St. Stephen's Parish--Ralp Booker; New Kent County, St. Peter's Parish--Jam's Booker." See also in the same collection, vol. 14, p. 18:

"2 Feb 1703, Richmond Co., VA, Order Book 3, p. 299, Suit between Peter Booker Exr of Last Will and Testament of James Booker, plaintive, and the Honble Robert Carter esq. and Coll. John Battaile Trustees of the Estate of Capt. Arthur Spicer, decd., deft."

And finally, Lothrop Withington, *Virginia Gleanings in England* (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1980), p. 45

"James Bowker of St. Peter's Parish, New Kent, VA. will 10 Mar 1702/3, proved 17 Nov 1704. Brother Edward Bowker of London. Sister Madam Barbara Lydall. Friend John Lyddall. Brother Ralph Bowker's children. Brother Ralph executor. PCC Ash, 224."

Lothrop Withington's abstract, however, is incorrect in the identifying of Madam Barbara Lydall. Here is a full transcript of the will and probate information<sup>1</sup>:

PRO 11/479, PCC Ash, vol. 479, part 6, f. 224; the will of JAMES BOWKER, dated 10 Mar 1702/3, proved 17 Nov 1704 (FHL # 092445):

In the Name of God Amen I JAMES BOWKER of St. Peters parish in New Kent County in Virg<sup>a</sup> / being sick and weak, but of prefect strength of memory do make this / my last will and Testament first I bequeath my Soul to my most gracious and mercifull Creator and Redeemer that gave it trusting / that at the last day this my fflesh shall be raised to pertake of those / most blessed benefits of his sufferings in which I only trust and hope / for satisfaction for my sins. ITEM I bequeath my body to be buried / at the discretion of my Exe<sup>rs</sup> hereafter named And as for that Estate / it hath pleased God to bless me withall I give and bequeath as followeth / I give to my brother EDWARD BOWKER of London thirty pounds sterling / ITEM I give ten pounds to buy a piece of plate for the new Bnd / Church a building in this parish. ITEM I give to my loving ffriend / Jno Lyddall forty pounds strilling ITEM I give to my loving / friend Capt. Joseph ffoster a Ring of twenty shillings price ITEM / I give a Ring a piece to my loving Sister and Mad<sup>m</sup> Barbarah / Lyddall ITEM I give and bequeath (after all my debts are satisfied / and out of my Tobacco now due to me from this parish or otherwise / all my Estate

<sup>1</sup> I am happy to say that Peter Wilson Coldham's *American Wills Proved in London, 1611-1775* (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1992), pp. 85-86, has an accurate abstract of this will.

and personall to be equally divided  
between, my Books and my horse  
my brother RALPH / BOWKER and  
thesaid brother EDWRD Lastly  
RALPH BOWKER my whole and so  
witnessing all others In witness where  
of the Day of march 1702 / J  
acknowledgd in the / presence of t

the 17th 1704

Which day appeared pers<sup>ons</sup>  
and Nicholas Humfrey of Wile end  
of their corporall oathes deposed  
Clough Clerk of New Kent / Court  
persons dying in the County of New  
the said Clough's handwriting and  
and tharacter [sic] of the hand  
supporting a Copy of the will of /  
and County deced / do verily believ  
and / with the proper hand of the  
original will of the said Deceased  
remaine in the Registry of the said

the praedict

John Nathaniel Burwell et Nicholas  
and J. Exton.

Decimo septimo die mensis Novem  
brarii Comco Micajah Perry a  
testamentum / naturalem et legitimu  
testamento JACOBI BOWKER in  
Virginia....

The italicized phrase  
refers to the testator's sister and Madam  
person.

<sup>2</sup> Coldham's reading

1799, Suit between  
plaintive, and the Ho  
Estate of Capt. A  
  
inia Gleanings  
, Inc., 1980), p.

and personall to be equally divided amongst / my brother RALPH BOWKERS  
my Books and my horse / only excepted, the which said Books I give to  
my brother RALPH / BOWKER and my horse to be sold and the value given to my  
brother EDWRD Lastly I constitute and appoint my / loving brother  
BOWKER my whole and sole Executor of this / my last Will and Testament  
all others In witness whereof / I hereunto set my hand and Seal this  
Day of march 1702 / James Bowker (seal) Signed Sealed and  
in the / presence of us PRESENT Eliza Portlock Tho: Lord<sup>2</sup> marke

1704. will 10 Mar 1704  
Sister Madam Barbara  
children. Brother Peter  
  
is incorrect in the  
full transcript of  
  
3, f. 224; the will  
of 17 Nov 1704 (F)

17th 1704  
which day appeared personally Nathaniell Burwell of / Virginia Merchant  
Nicholas Humfrey of Wile end in the parish / of Stepney Mariner and by virtue  
corporall oathes deposed / that they are well acquainted with George  
Clerk of New Kent / Court in Virginia being the Court where the wills / of  
dying in the County of New Kent are usually proved / and also with his  
Clough's handwriting and haveing / perused and observed the manner  
character [sic] of the handwriting / of the schedule hereunto annexed  
a Copy of the will of / JAMES BOWKER late of S<sup>t</sup>. Peters parish in the  
County deced / do verily believe the same to be all wrote and subscribed by  
with the proper hand of the said George Clough and verily believe / that the  
will of the said Deceased from which the said / Copy was made doth  
in the Registry of the said Court / Nath<sup>l</sup> Burwell Nich<sup>o</sup> Humfrey.

St. Peters parish in the  
strength of memory  
my Soul to my most  
trusting / that at the  
blessed benefits of  
ion for my sins. IEB  
y Exe<sup>rs</sup> hereafter name  
s me withall I give  
BOWKER of London the  
of plate for the new  
ving friend / Jno Lyddall  
apt. Joseph Foster a  
y loving Sister and Mad  
my debts are satisfie  
otherwise / all my Estate

in predict  
Nathaniel Burwell et Nicholas Humfrey jurant super veritate premissoru coram  
J. B. Con.  
  
septimo die mensis Novembris Anno / Dm Millimo septengemmo quarto  
Comco Micajah Perry attornat deputat<sup>s</sup> per RADULPHUM BOWKER  
/ naturalem et legitimum et nimium exercitorem nominatum in /  
JACOBI BOWKER nuper parocchiae S<sup>ti</sup> Petri in Com Cantij /

The italicized phrase "a ring a piece" clearly indicates that the  
deceased's sister and Madam Barbara Lyddall are not the same  
person.

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5 (Baltimore:  
pp. 85-86, has "

<sup>2</sup> Coldham's reading for this name is "Soso."

The marriage registers of Marple and Taxal were checked for possible Bowker marriages, but revealed nothing<sup>3</sup>.

From the registers of Marple, Cheshire (quoted in Earwalker):

3 July 1686, Margaret daughter of Ralph Bowker, clerk and Jane his wife baptized by James Bowker Curate of Wittley

11 Nov 1688, Mary, daughter of Ralph Bowker, baptized by James Bowker, minister at Taxal

From the registers of Taxal, Cheshire (quoted in Earwalker):

29 Mar 1691, baptized, James son of Mr. Ralph Bowker, minister

1. **Ralph<sup>1</sup> Bowker** (?Rev. James<sup>a</sup>), (possibly) bapt. 6 Sep 1660, Caton, Lancashire, England, the son of Rev. James Bowker of Manchester, Lancs, and Taxal, Cheshire, died after 1719, Stephen's Parish, King and Queen Co., VA. If the Rev. Ralph Bowker of Marple who had children baptized there was the minister immigrant to Virginia, then his first wife, **Jane** (--), bore him at least two daughters, and probably died in England. Nothing is known of his (possibly) second wife, who may have been *nee* "Byrd", due to the persistent recurrence of that name among the Bowker progeny. Ralph Bowker was remarried to his second (?) wife and had children by 1702/3, according to his brother James' will.

Virginia Land Patents<sup>4</sup>:

<sup>3</sup> W. P. W. Phillimore and Leopold Choice, editors, *Cheshire Parish Registers, Marriages* (London: Phillimore & Co., 1909), vol. 1, pp. 11-58. The baptisms and burials in both parishes are unavailable on microfilm, at least through LDS (FHL# 088606).

<sup>4</sup> Nell Marion Nugent, *Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents, 1695-1732*, vol. 3 (Richmond, VA: the Virginia State Library, 1979).

Patent Book 10, p. 225:  
William Co., VA, St. John's Parish  
persons: JAMES BOWKER.... (p.

Patent Book 10, p. 226:  
William Co., VA, St. John's parish  
persons: ...RALPH BOWKER. (p.

Patent Book 11, p. 6: R  
acres of new land in King William Co.  
on the south side of Elston's Run  
the importation of 6 persons, and

From the following in:  
Bowker's children survived t

Spotsylvania Co., VA, D  
recorded 7 Dec 1767; RALPH BOWKER  
ANN WALLER, daughter of John  
100 acres in Spotsylvania Co., VA,  
and testament of RALPH BOWKER  
(b) to his son BYRD BOWKER,  
the said land to be divided  
children, viz: ACHILLES BOWKER  
(presents), PARMENAS BOWKER,  
witnesses: B. Johnston, Mary Hor

issue (BOWKER) born King  
a. Anne, b. c1701, m.  
b. Achilles, b. c1715  
c. Parmenas, b. c1717  
Ann Stevens, who md. t  
William Smith.

d. Catherine, md. (--)  
e. Byrd, died testate  
issue.

<sup>5</sup> Crozier, p. 259.

<sup>6</sup> Crozier, p. 85.

Patent Book 10, p. 225: William Douglas, 275 acres of new land in King William Co., VA, St. John's Parish, dated 23 Dec 1714, for the importation of 6 persons.  
**JAMES BOWKER**.... (p. 168)

Patent Book 10, p. 226: Thomas West, 1615 acres of new land in King William Co., VA, St. John's parish, dated 23 Dec 1744, for the importation of four persons.  
 ...**RALPH BOWKER**. (p. 168)

Patent Book 11, p. 6: **RALPH BOWKER** of King & Queen Co., VA, 400 acres of new land in King William Co., VA, in St. John's Parish, dated 20 Feb 1719; on the south side of Elston's Run, and on the south side of Mattapony River; for the importation of 6 persons, and also of eight persons. (p. 219)

From the following instrument, we see that five of Rev. Ralph Bowker's children survived to adulthood:

Spotsylvania Co., VA, Deed Book G, 1766-1771, dated 30 Apr 1767, recorded 7 Dec 1767; **RALPH BOWKER** of Cumberland Co., VA, to his cousin **JOHN WALLER**, daughter of John Waller, Clerk of Co. Court of Spotsylvania Co; 200 acres in Spotsylvania Co., known as Blakeley Park, devised by the last will and testament of **RALPH BOWKER**, Gent., decd., (as recorded in King and Queen Co.) to his son **BYRD BOWKER**, and in case the said **BYRD** should die without issue, the said land to be divided between his (the said **RALPH**'s) other four children, *viz*: **ACHILLES BOWKER** (father of **RALPH BOWKER**, party to these presents), **PARMENAS BOWKER**, **CATHERINE LEWIS**, and **ANNE SMITH**, etc; witnesses: B. Johnston, Mary Horn, Sherod Horn, Owen Thomas<sup>5</sup>.

**JOHN WALLER** (BOWKER) born King & Queen Co., VA, ages approximate:  
 a. Anne, b. c1701, md. c1724, Col. John<sup>2</sup> Smith.  
 b. Achilles, b. c1715, md. Martha Smith.  
 c. Parmenas, b. c1720, md. 29 Nov 1744, Spotsylvania Co., VA, Ann Stevens, who md. (2) 20 Apr 1748, Spotsylvania Co., VA<sup>6</sup>, William Smith.

d. Catherine, md. (--) Lewis, no further record.  
 e. Byrd, died testate in King & Queen Co., VA, but without issue.

<sup>5</sup> Crozier, p. 259.

<sup>6</sup> Crozier, p. 85.

## Second Generation:

2. **Anne<sup>2</sup> Bowker** (Ralph<sup>1</sup>), the daughter of Rev. Ralph Bowker, was b. c1701, St. Stephen's Parish, King & Queen Co., VA, d. Abingdon Parish, Gloucester Co., VA, bd. there 17 Aug 1723. She md. **Col. John<sup>2</sup> Smith**, bapt. 3 June 1701, Abingdon Parish, Gloucester Co., VA, d. probably in St. Paul's Parish, Hanover Co., VA<sup>7</sup>, the son of Rev. Guy Smith of Abingdon Parish, Gloucester Co., VA, and his wife (--).

Issue (**SMITH**) born Gloucester Co., VA, most likely Abingdon Parish:

[7] a. **Bowker**, bapt. 31 Mar 1723, md. **Judith Cox**, of Cumberland Co., VA.

[8] b. **Guy**, b. c1724, md. 23 Nov 1751, St. James Northam Parish, Goochland Co., VA, **Ann Hopkins**, daughter of Arthur Hopkins.

[9] c. **John**, b. 23 Sept 1725, md. **Elizabeth Hopkins**, daughter of Arthur Hopkins.

3. **Achilles<sup>2</sup> Bowker** (Ralph<sup>1</sup>), the son of Rev. Ralph Bowker, was b. c1715, King & Queen Co., VA. He md. **Martha Smith**, b. 31 Oct, bapt. 21 Nov 1717, Christ Church Parish, Middlesex Co., VA<sup>8</sup>, the daughter of Thomas and Ann (--)<sup>8</sup> Smith of Middlesex Co., VA. Achilles Bowker died testate, c1760, Southern Parish, Cumberland Co., VA, and his wife Martha survived him. Deeds in Spotsylvania Co., VA, show that he inherited land from his father, which he sold after having removed to Cumberland Co., VA.

As far as I can tell, all post-colonial Bowkers are descended from the sons of Achilles<sup>2</sup> Bowker and his wife.

Middlesex Co., VA, Will Book B, 1713-1734, part 2, p. 263; the will of THOMAS SMITH, dated 9 Mar 1722, proved 4 June 1723; to wife ANN SMITH; to sons GREGORY (land in Essex Co.), THOMAS, ANTHONY; to daughters MARTHA and ANN (both under 21); to JOHN SMITH son of sister FRANCES SMITH; mentions brother JOHN SMITH, Jr.'s. estate; to sister in law Mrs. FRANCES

<sup>7</sup> Hopkins, p. 55.

<sup>8</sup> CCPR, p. 98.

SMITH; to sister JANE PRICE; to kin Thomas Waring, and Matthew witnesses: Isaac Giles, George Wort

Middlesex Co., VA, Will Book B, Sept 1748, proved 4 June 1751; granddaughter ANN SMITH 50 p. MARTHA BOWKER, ANN GARDNER, sons in law ACHILLES BOWKER, Worsham, Ann Iveson, and John Sr

Spotsylvania Co., VA, Deed BOWKER and MARTHA, his wife, Spotsylvania Co., VA; 200 acres in S. s. Mattapony River, and part of

Cumberland Co., VA, Will Book B, dated 8 Nov 1758, proved 26 May 1767; I now live on land in Spotsylvania that I broke the loving wife MARTHA during her widowhood, & Jeremy; land I lived on in Spotsylvania, to be sold and divided between ANTHONY, and BIRD; executor: THOMAS; witness: William Smith.

The following records, Order Books (which were not in Cumberland Co., VA, Deeds:

Cumberland Co., VA, Deed Book B, Mar 1767; THOMAS BOWKER, partner with Thompson Swann and RALPH BOWKER, nothing of any sort [he goes on a journey] coming to him; witnesses: Arch

Cumberland Co., VA, Deed Book B, May 1767; THOMAS BOWKER for partner with BOWKER, two negro men named J

<sup>9</sup> Crozier, p. 208.

SMITH; to sister JANE PRICE; to kinsman LEWIS DAY; executors: friends John Price, Thomas Waring, and Matthew Kemp until son GREGORY comes of age; witnesses: Isaac Giles, George Wortham, and Edward Smith.

Middlesex Co., VA, Will Book D, 1748-1760; the will of ANN SMITH, dated 14 Sept 1748, proved 4 June 1749; to grandson THOMAS SMITH to pay granddaughter ANN SMITH 50 pounds when he is 21; to three daughters: MARTHA BOWKER, ANN GARDNER, and ELIZABETH FOSTER; executors: two sons in law ACHILLES BOWKER and JAMES GARDNER; witnesses: Judith Wortham, Ann Iveson, and John Smith, Jr.

Spotsylvania Co., VA, Deed Book E, dated 3 Oct 1758; ACHILLES BOWKER and MARTHA, his wife, of Cumberland Co., to Michael Roberson of Spotsylvania Co., VA; 200 acres in Spotsylvania Co., formerly King William Co., on the S.S. Mattapony River, and part of a patent of 400 acres; recorded 3 Oct 1758<sup>9</sup>.

Cumberland Co., VA, Will Book 1, p. 197; the will of ACHILLES BOWKER, dated 8 Nov 1758, proved 26 May 1760; to son RALPH, all the tract of land in Cumberland Co that I now live on, containing 763 A (in lieu of 600 A of Intailed land in Spotsylvania that I broke the Intail by a Writ of Ad quod Damnum); lends to my wife MARTHA during her widowhood, negroes: Cesar, Sue, Jemmy, Great Tommy, & Jeremy; land I lived on in Spotsylvania that Alexander Spence Head now lives on, to be sold and divided among four sons THOMAS, ACHILLES, ANTHONY, and BIRD; executor: wife MARTHA and two sons RALPH and THOMAS; witness: William Smith.

The following records, aside from those which may be in the Order Books (which were not searched), are what I could find in the Cumberland Co., VA, Deeds:

Cumberland Co., VA, Deed Book 4, p. 159, dated 10 Mar 1767, rec. 23 Mar 1767; THOMAS BOWKER, power of attorney to "trusty and loving friends" Thompson Swann and RALPH BOWKER both of Cumberland Co., to recover anything of any sort [he goes on at great length without being specific] that may be coming to him; witnesses: Archd. Buchanan, James Milner.

Cumberland Co., VA, Deed Book 4, p. 179, dated 27 Feb 1767, rec. 25 May 1767; THOMAS BOWKER for 200 pounds to Thompson Swann and RALPH BOWKER, two negro men named James and Harry; witness: John Mayo.

<sup>9</sup> Crozier, p. 208.

Cumberland Co., VA, Deed Book 4, p. 179, dated and rec. 25 May 1770; RALPH BOWKER for 250 pounds to RALPH BOWKER, five negroes: Crozier, Letty, Jane, George, and Aggy; witness: Joel Davenport.

Cumberland Co., VA, Deed Book 4, p. 199, dated 19 Aug 1767, rec. 28 Sept 1767; RALPH BOWKER and ACHILLER BOWKER of Cumberland Co., for 250 pounds, to Gideon Glenn, one negro wench Jenny; witnesses: Hartwell Mason, Wm. Davenport.

Cumberland Co., VA, Deed Book 5, p. 499, dated 28 July 1771, rec. 28 July 1777; Nathan Glenn to BYRD BOWKER, son in law to said Nathan Glen, born of Cumberland Co; for the "advancement and preferment of the said BYRD in the world" and for 5 shillings, 1 tract of land, 200 acres, whereon the said BYRD dwells, on Great Guinea Creek, adj. Nathan Glen, James Basham, James Gardner, Daniel Allen, John Stewart, James Holland; witnesses: John Wily, Daniel Bann, W. J. Moulson.

Issue (BOWKER):

- [10] a. Ralph.
- [11] b. Thomas.
- [12] c. Achilles.
- [13] d. Anthony.
- [14] e. Byrd, md. (-- Glenn, daughter of Nathan Glen.

4. **Parmenas<sup>2</sup> Bowker** (Ralph<sup>1</sup>), the son of Rev. Ralph Bowker, was b. c1720, King & Queen Co., VA, d. c1744, Spotsylvania Co., VA. He md. 29 Nov 1744, Spotsylvania Co. VA<sup>10</sup>, **Ann Stevens**, who md. (2) 20 Apr 1748, Spotsylvania Co. VA<sup>11</sup>, William Smith.

Spotsylvania Co., VA, Deed Book G, dated 29 Nov 1770; William Smith of Spotsylvania Co., VA, and his wife Ann, and John Waller, Clerk of Spotsylvania Co., and Ann his wife; William Smith and wife Ann, in right of wife Ann, are entitled to and now hold dower in a tract of land in Spotsylvania Co., containing 900 acres and is the tract whereon said John Waller and Ann his wife now live; whereas the said Ann Smith, formerly the widow of PARMENAS BOWKER, who, having died intestate, the said Ann thereby became entitled to dower in the said BOWKER

<sup>10</sup> Crozier, p. 85.

<sup>11</sup> Crozier, p. 85.

etc., which said slaves were of the said BOWKER witnesses: O. Towles, Thomas Robert Chew; recorded

- Issue (BOWKER):
- a. Ralph, died int.
  - b. Ann, b. c1745,

Third generation:

7. **Bowker<sup>3</sup> Smith** John Smith and Anne B Russell Parish, Bedford Co. VA.

The will of Bowker 28 Mar 1768, Bedford Co.

Bedford Co., VA, Wills and 24 Jan 1768, proved 28 Mar 1768, of my land and plantation to educate and maintain my children: Glasgow, Amey, Phillis, Elizabeth the use of all the rest of JOHN SMITH, above mentioned belonging; to daughter ELIZABETH above mentioned Bess a SMITH, GUY SMITH, WILLIAM Amey, Phillis, John, Frank, and divided equally at decease of v with George Walton over 533 acres witnesses: brothers JOHN SMITH, Mary Figg, Jane Snow.

- Issue (SMITH):
- a. Elizabeth.
  - b. Judith.

<sup>12</sup> Crozier, pp. 27



and rec. 25 May 1770, five negroes: O...

... which said slaves are in the said ANN WALLER, the daughter and the ... of the said BOWKER; the parties have agreed to make an exchange; O. Towles, Thomas Towles, John Carthrae, Jeremiah Stevens, G. ... Robert Chew; recorded 20 Dec 1770<sup>12</sup>.

d 19 Aug 1767, rec. Cumberland Co., ... sses: Hartwell ...

**(BOWKER):**  
a. Ralph, died intestate, under age.  
b. Ann, b. c1745, md. John Waller.

d 28 July 1771, rec. ... said Nathan Glen, ... of the said BYRD ... hereon the said ... s Basham, James ... John Wily, Daniel ...

**Third generation:**

7. Bowker<sup>3</sup> Smith (Anne<sup>2</sup> Bowker, Ralph<sup>1</sup>), the son of Col. ... Smith and Anne Bowker, was bapt. 31 Mar 1723, died 1768, ... Parish, Bedford Co., VA; he md. Judith Cox, of Cumberland ... VA.

The will of Bowker Smith was dated 24 Jan 1768 and proved ... 1768, Bedford Co., VA, Wills 1754-1787, pp. 48-50.

... an Glen.

Bedford Co., VA, Wills 1754-1787, p. 48: the will of BOWKER SMITH, ... 24 Jan 1768, proved 28 Mar 1768; to wife JUDITH SMITH during her life the ... of my land and plantation whereon I now live; also to enable my wife to ... and maintain my children I give her during her life use of all my negroes ... Glasgow, Amey, Phillis, Bess, Isbell, John, Frank, and Jamey; also during ... the use of all the rest of my personal estate; at decease of my wife, to son ... SMITH, above mentioned tract of land with all appurtenances thereunto ... to daughter ELIZABETH SMITH, my wife JUDITH SMITH bequeathed ... above mentioned Bess and Isbell; to sons STEPHEN SMITH, BOWKER ... GUY SMITH, WILLIAM SMITH, ACHILLIS SMITH, slaves Dick, Glasgow, ... Phillis, John, Frank, and Jamey, and all the rest of personal estate to be ... equally at decease of wife; mentions suit in chancery in Luninburgh Co. ... George Walton over 533 acres in the fork of Great and Little Otter Rivers; ... brothers JOHN SMITH and GUY SMITH; witnesses: Tho: Smith, ... Figg, Jane Snow.

son of Rev. ... O., VA, d. ... t, Spotsylvania ... 3, Spotsylvania ...

**(SMITH):**  
a. Elizabeth.  
b. Judith.

... 1770; William ... er, Clerk of Spotsy ... t of wife Ann, are ... o., containing 900 ... ife now live; where ... NKER, who, having ... er in the said BOWK...

<sup>12</sup> Crozier, pp. 278-79.

9. John<sup>3</sup> Smith (Anne<sup>2</sup> Bowker, Ralph<sup>1</sup>), the son of Col. John Smith and Anne Bowker, was b. 23 Sept 1725, d. 1776, Pittsylvania Co., VA; he md. Elizabeth Hopkins, daughter of Arthur Hopkins.

His will was dated 1 Dec 1775, proved 28 Nov 1776, Pittsylvania Co., VA, Will and Deed Book 5, 1770-1780, pp. 425-28.

Pittsylvania Co., VA, Will and Deed Book 5, p. 425: the will of JOHN SMITH, dated 1 Dec 1775, proved 28 Nov 1776; entire estate to be kept together except for two negroes, George and Jane, to go to my daughter ELIZABETH SMITH when she marries or becomes 18 years of age; 20 pounds to daughter ANNAH CALLAWAY; 250 pounds to daughter ELIZABETH SMITH; son RALPH SMITH to have use of negroes Vall, Hampton, and Anthony, until estate division; 200 pounds for son SAMUEL SMITH; to son JOHN SMITH, use of negroes Joe, Dick, and Jack, until estate division; wife to have use of negroes Dick, Lucy, Doll, and Phillis, during natural life and 1/5 of live stock; at her decease, to be equally divided between four sons: JOHN SMITH, RALPH SMITH, BOWKER SMITH, and SAMUEL SMITH; to wife ELIZABETH 1/3 tract of land whereon I now live purchased from Peter Jefferson; at her decease to son RALPH SMITH; to son RALPH land bought of John Cook in Bedford Co. on b.s. Pocket Creek, 150A; also land on w.s. Pocket Road on Pocket Creek; deed to RALPH SMITH for land on s. Pocket Road adj. Robert Adams, Jr; to son JOHN SMITH land purchased from Jeremiah Ward on b.s. Stanton River in Bedford and Pittsylvania Counties; to son JOHN 56A adj. Bedford side, purchased of Benjamin Hensley; to son BOWKER SMITH all land on Pigg River 150A of William Atkinson and 150A opposite side, adj. David Dillon on s.s. Pigg River; negroes and other items purchased from JUDITH SMITH, part of estate of BOWKER SMITH, to kept together; she to have use of property for life and then divided equally between the children of deceased brother BOWKER SMITH: STEPHEN SMITH, BOWKER SMITH, GUY SMITH, WILLIAM SMITH, ACHILLIS SMITH, ELIZABETH SMITH, and JUDITH SMITH; his will is in Bedford Co; executors: sons RALPH SMITH, JOHN SMITH, and son-in-law Capt. William Callaway; witnesses: Stephen Smith, Guy Smith, Judith Smith, Reynolds Allen.

Issue (SMITH):

- a. Elizabeth, md. (possibly) (--) Calland<sup>13</sup>
- b. Anna, md. Capt. William Callaway.

<sup>13</sup> See the will of Samuel Calland, Pittsylvania Co., VA, Will Book , pp. 486-88, dated 3 Mar 1818, proved 18 May 1818.

- c. Stephen.
- d. Bowker.
- e. Guy.
- f. William.
- g. Achillis.

8. **Guy<sup>3</sup> Smith** (Anne<sup>2</sup> Bowker, Ralph<sup>1</sup>), the son of John Smith and Anne Bowker, was b. c1724, Abingdon Parish, Gloucester Co., VA, d. 1781, Bedford Co., VA; he md. 23 Nov 1778, St. James Northam Parish, Goochland Co., VA, Ann Hopkins, daughter of Arthur Hopkins.

The will of Guy Smith was dated 10 Jan 1781, proved 24 Sept 1781, Bedford Co., VA, Wills 1754-1787, pp. 402-04.

Bedford Co., VA, Wills 1754-1787, p. 402: the will of GUY SMITH, dated 10 Jan 1781, proved 24 Sept 1781; to daughters ANNE TRIGG and ELIZABETH SMITH property already in their possession; lends to daughter JOANNAH SMITH during her lifetime two negroes now in possession of her husband Abednego Hail and Stepney; at her decease, Stepney to granddaughter MARY HAIL, for the rest of JOANNAH HAIL's children, MARY excepted; lends to wife ANNE SMITH household items and a child's part of slaves, livestock, etc; to son BIRD B. SMITH to children LUCY, SUSANNAH, and KATIE BOWKER, and son GUY; copper to be kept for benefit of unmarried children JENNY BIRD BOWKER, LUCY SUSANNAH, KATIE BOWKER, and GUY; to sons BIRD B. SMITH and GUY SMITH lands in this county; land in Buckingham Co. to sold and money arising from sale of unmarried children; executors: Daniel Trigg, Stephen Smith, BIRD B. SMITH; witnesses: W. Leftwich, Nimrod Newman, William Archer.

Issue (SMITH):

- a. Ann, married Daniel Trigg.
- b. Elizabeth.
- c. Joannah, married Abednego Hail.
- d. Bird Bowker.
- e. Guy.
- f. Lucy.
- g. Susannah.
- h. Katie Bowker.
- i. Jenny Bird Bowker.

9. **John<sup>3</sup> Smith**  
John Smith and Anne  
Pittsylvania Co., VA; he  
Hopkins.

His will was da  
Pittsylvania Co., VA, Will

Pittsylvania Co., VA,  
SMITH, dated 1 Dec 1775, pr  
except for two negroes, Ge  
SMITH, when she marries or  
ANNAH CALLAWAY; 250 po  
SMITH to have use of negro  
200 pounds for son SAMUEL  
Anne and Jack, until estate of  
and Phillis, during natural life  
divided between four sons: C  
SAMUEL SMITH; to wife E  
purchased from Peter Jeffer  
RALPH land bought of John C  
land on w.s. Pocket Road or  
4.4 Pocket Road adj. Rober  
from Jeremiah Ward on b.s. S  
son JOHN 56A adj. Bedfor  
BOWKER SMITH all land on  
opposite side, adj. David D  
purchased from JUDITH SM  
together; she to have use of p  
children of deceased brothe  
SMITH, GUY SMITH, WILLIAM  
JUDITH SMITH; his will is in I  
SMITH, and son-in-law Capt.  
Smith, Judith Smith, Reynolds

Issue (SMITH):

- a. Elizabeth, md.
- b. Anna, md. Ca

<sup>13</sup> See the will  
VA, Will Book , pp. 48  
1778.