Records for Bass Brothers

The Brothers

Cumberland County Minutes of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions 1779-1791

Archibald BROWN is listed as a juror on 2 Feb 1788 in suit no. 39 and on 2 May 1788 in suit no. 41.

Daniel. McNeill road overseer from Flea Hill to Brown's Ferry on Black River, working following hands: Daniel McNeill, Harmon Bass, John McNeill, Rice Bass, Neill McNeill, Archibald Brown, Duncan Malloy and Daniel McIntire.

(https://homepages.rootsweb.com/~ahopkins/hunsucker/brown family.ht m)

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Bass, Harmond (Herman) John	1	2	1		1	2	1	11		
Rice	3	3		1					1	

I believe this was a census from 1800 in Cumberland County.

Herman Bass

Cumberland County Minutes of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions 1779-1791

May 22 1789 Nathaniel Holton enters 100 acres on Black River at the little bluff: includes Harman Bass improvement.

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DAVIS, Absalom x, Elisabeth Dawson, 19 Aug. 1777
(b) Simon x Davis, Harmon Bass. (w) Wm. Dickson, C.C.
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Here Harmon is listed as a bondsman to the marriage of Absalom Davis and Elizabeth Dawson. This was in Duplin County.

8 May 1784, Duplin Co., NC: A petition to the NC State Assembly notes offences in Duplin and Wayne Cos by Tories and Loyalists, specifically three Basses: Rice, Harman, John; and an Absalom Davis

Victims included : Mt (Mr. or Matthew?) Whitfield, whose house and storehouse were broken into & arms, ammunition among articles stolen.

Rice Bass

Wayne Co. Abstract of Deeds 1785-1787

Oct. 3rd 1791 Charles Holmes 300 acres Joining William Whitfield, Joseph Winkfield, and Rice Bass lines.

Wayne Co. NC 1793-1832

Rice Bass sold land, witnessed by Andrew Bass Jan. 24, 1796.

*Andrew Bass (son of Edward Bass and Sarah Stevens 1752 Johnston NC, son of Richard Bass 1730 and Sarah McKinnie, son of Andrew Sr.) Born 1778 Wayne NC Died 1836 Wayne NC

Cumberland County Tax List 1802

1626 (274) Rice Bass

Taxable Property Capt. Howies District for 1815

Rice Bass Sr. 1 White, 137 acres on Great Creek

John Bass

Wayne Co. Abstract of Deeds 1785-1787

1788 John Bass 200 acres on the north side of the Juniper joining the county line and John Barefoot.

1790 Elisha Davis 84 acres on the north side of Juniper Swamp joining Thomas Davis Simon Barnes Jacob Powell John Bass and Solomon Folks lines.

State of NC Entries of Claims for Lands Within County of Dobbs 1778-1790

1779 John Bass 400 acres Dobbs on the Great Swamp On the North Side upon the Great Branch

John Bass was listed in the 1790 Census of Johnston County. No Basses were there in 1800, John Bass having moved to Cumberland County to be near his brothers Herman and Rice Bass. These were sons of Andrew Bass, deceased, of Duplin County.

Needham Bass

Wayne Co. NC 1793-1832

Urban Lewis deed to Laban Lewis for part of a tract of land formerly granted to Needham Bass, witnessed by Ulla Lewis, March 23, 1822.

Duplin Co. NC Abstract of Deeds 1784-1813

p. 433 Uriah (N) Harris to George Hase, both of Duplin Co., 29 Dec 1803, for 69 pds. 10 shill. 100 A on the SS of Little Horsepen Branch incl. the Water Hole, beg. At a pine Thomas Ayrs' corner, being granted to sd. Hase by Hardy Reves. Wit: Samuel Herring, Nedham Bass. Apr. Ct. 1804.

Moses Bass

Bladen County NC Land Warrants 1780-1803

Thomas Robison 100acres warrant #442 issued Oct. 24, 1765 by Lt. Gov. William Tyron to Thomas Robison Jr. for 10 acres on Overstreets Swamp and includes the plantation and Moses Bass' new mill that what where Thomas Chairs lives.

Cumberland County Tax List 1755

Moses Bass -3 whites

Cumberland County Minutes Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions 1755-1779

October 17 1758 Suit; The governor and James Simpson vs. Moses Bass

August 22 1760 Thomas Vince, William Beasely and Moses Bass came in on their own recognizance, discharged by Hector McNeill, Esq., and bound to appear at the next Superior Court at Wilmington on 15th October.

Moses Bass petitioned to have his grist mill, erected on a branch of Raft Swamp, declared a public mill; granted

Moses Bass licensed to keep an ordinary (tavern or inn) at his dwelling house

May 20 1762 The King vs. Moses Bass – Moses Bass bonded for his appearance at next Inferior Court in the sum of 50 punds proc. to answer charges.

Duplin Co. NC Abstract of Deeds 1784-1813

1778 Moses Bass 200 acres Dobbs, beginning on the long Branch, running on both sides of the given line of Henry Horn's line [Wayne]

*Land records indicating R1a Bass connection to descendants of John Bass Sr. and Love Harris.

State of NC Entries of Claims for Lands Within County of Dobbs 1778-1790

Aaron Bass, 1779, 400 acres Dobbs, beginning at William Ridgen's line and joining Robert Sims's line Edward Hoods line.

1778 Arthur Bass 400 acres Dobbs, On the North side of the Great Swamp on both sides of the Juniper [Wayne].

1779 Thomas Davis 300 acres Dobbs joining Willam Folke's line on both sides of the Juniper Swamp [Wayne]

1779 Ephraim Bass 200 acres Dobbs joining William Durdens line on the North side of the Great Swamp in the Piney Woods [Wayne]

Abstract of Deeds Wayne Co. NC Bks. 1 & 2 1780-1785

Oct. 29 1782 John Barnes for 640 acres in Dobbs Co. on North side of Great Swamp. Bb: John Fulghum, Hardy Hooks; Arthur Bass

...two entries with Arthur Bass 1783 same location.

Wayne Co. Abstract of Deeds 1785-1787

1786 Jesse Barnes 100 acres on the north side of the Juniper Swamp joining Arthur Bass and John Barnes lines.

*Assessment of Records

Arthur Bass and Ephraim Bass are sons of Edward Bass b. 1697 Nansemond Co VA – d. 1779 Dobbs Co NC

Aaron Bass b. 1702 Bertie Co NC – d. 1781 Surry Co NC

Edward, Aaron, and Moses were brothers and sons of John Bass Sr. and Love Harris. These three and their decedents moved to and lived in Dobbs, Johnston, Wayne, and Duplin counties at various times.

As indicated in the above records, these Basses were living around the Great Swamp and Juniper Swamp in Dobbs Co.

John Bass, brother of Rice, Herman, and Needham, is also shown to be living around the Great Swamp at the same time.

Another indicator of our R1a Basses connection to the Bertie Co. Basses can be seen in the surnames of their neighbors. The surnames below are all traced to families living among the haplogroup (A) Basses in Bertie and Chowan counties and both R1b and A Basses in VA going as far as Isle of Wight.

The name surname Davis seems to be especially important for our line given that Absalom Davis is listed as being a loyalist alongside the Bass brothers and Herman Bass was a bondsman for Absalom's marriage.

*Key Surnames: Davis, Bryan(t), Whitfield, McKinnie, and Jernigan

Deeds Craven Co. 1708-1765

Thomas Bass 1748

"Jan. 30, 1748 Henry Sumerland, planter (Craven Co.) to Thomas Bass, cordwainer (same); for 100 pounds NC money sold 200 acres between Nuse River and Contentnea Creek; border; begins at a red oak and joins John Philips; known as the High Hills; granted Nov. 18, 1738 to Henry Sumerland. (signed) Henry Sumerland's mark "H"; (witness) John Vernam & John Philips; wit. Oath third Tuesday in Jun. 1749 by John Vernam; book 4p. 175.

*Also seen, Hardy Bryan, Lewis Bryan, Anne Bryan, Edward Bryan Swift Creek

Abstract of Deeds Wayne Co. NC Bks. 1 & 2 1780-1785

1780 Laxarus Grafford, planter, to William Raiford for 1,000 pounds current money of the State – 70 acres on the south side of Little River being part of a patent granted to **Richard Bass**. Wit: **Arthur Jernigan**; Lewis Gurley

1780, **William McKinne Sr. to William McKinne Jr.** South side of Neuse river and on the east side of Falling Creek. Bb: Andrew Bass Wit: **Richard McKinne**, John Garland

1784 **Andrew Bass (doctor)** for the regard and respect I have for the good government of the County of Wayne, give and grant unto Stephen Cobb, Joseph Pipkin, & **Needham Whitfield**, commissioners for erecting public building for the County of Wayne – 3 acres of land...North side of Neuse River and below the mouth of Little River, for the use of the county to erect public buildings thereon...

1784 Francis Covington and wife Sarah to **William McKinne Jr.** South side of Neuse River and East side of Falling Creek and upper side of Little Marsh on land patented by Thomas Blunt 1756. Bb: **Edward Bass**

1792 Richard Davis 200 acres south side of Aycock Swamp...two other entries Joshua Davis and John Davis Aycock Swamp...Also Josiah Jernigan William McKinne Sr and Jr.

Johnston Co. NC Court Minutes

May 27 1782 Present the worshipful

James Lockheart, Aaron Vinson, Johnathan Smith, Jesse Tiner, Arthur Bryan

205 Proved in open court by the oaths of Rebeckah Stevens and **Bedreden Jernigan** the last will and testament of **William Jernigan** deceased when **Phebe Jernigan** the Executrix there named came into court and qualify as Executrix and returned an inventory ordered that letters issue. Proved in open court by the oaths of **Jesper Jernegan** and **Phebe Jernigan** and the last will and testament of John Hays deceased when **Doctor Andrew Bass** of the executors therein named came into court and qualified as executor and returned an inventory.

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1784, John Carraway to **David Jernigan JR**. South side of Neuse River... Wit: **Andrew Bass**; Adam Carraway

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1779 **Thomas Davis** 300 acres Dobbs joining Willam Folke's line on both sides of the <u>Juniper</u> <u>Swamp</u> [Wayne]

Wes Bass Library Info (Nov 2022) I found these from my library visit:

Francis Johnson South side of Albemarle Sound NC 1713 Fras. Johnson Chowan Precinct 1714 Fras. Johnson Chowan Precinct 1714 Fras Johnson Chowan 1715 Francis Johnson with Elizabeth my wife to Godfrey Spruill 1717 Chowan Precinct (Godfrey was a Scottish immigrant) Francis Johnson Chowan Precinct 1717 purchased land

It's looking more and more that Andrew was born in Bertie county to a Bass daughter of John Bass Sr. and Love Harris. Chowan precinct became Chowan county and Bertie formed out of Chowan. This would be a different Francis Johnson than Francis Sr. b. 1720 so maybe his father? Then there's also that deed witnessed by an Andrew and Francis Johnson in Edgecombe County in 1735. Edgecombe was formed from Bertie County.