Pruett/Pruitt/Prewitt

Do you have a transcript or abstract of Joseph Sr's 1790 will?

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Joseph Jr. 1754 / Holbrook 1760

Martin Van 1887 / Mary Jane 1894

Joseph moved to Wilkes in about 1773 at age 19.

possibility as the father of your Joseph.

an old assumption that goes Uriah c1699 - Joseph - to your Joseph?

What we do know is Joseph (16 Jul 1754) is definitely a relative.

ancestor is Ralph (who is Joseph's seventh child).

Major 1832 / Mary Jane 1845

Ralph 1801 / Sarah 1808

Coy 1916 / (Grandma)

(Dad)/(Mom) (Me) Ritch

Wilkes Co, NC Pruett/Pruitts Ritch - I'm going to start a new Wilkes Co, NC thread here to keep it organized. The following is your proven

Photos & videos

line. The 2 messages following, one from me and one from you, are the beginnings of our discussion.

Ritch - last night I read all of the Rev War pension statements for all the spellings of Prewitt that are transcribed

What I discovered is that Zachariah Prewit was born in MD in 1758 and was living in Pittsylvania Co, VA by

Pittsylvania Co 7/16/1754. It would actually have been Halifax Co as Pittsylvania Co wasn't formed until 1766.

Since your DNA doesn't match Uriah Prewitt's brother Thomas c1693, the first thing that you need to do is look

Pittylvania for suspects. Zachariah has supplied the documentation for connection to Samuel Prewitt of Prince George/Frederick Co, MD. Sam was in Pittsylvania by 1776 when he furnished supplies for the patriot troops.

Joseph could not be a son of Samuel since he was born in VA in 1754, Zach in MD in 1758. Sam is said to have had a brother John who died in Pittsylvania Co, VA after 1788. I don't know when John arrived in VA, but he is a

That's all the further I've gotten. To my knowledge there is no documentation that ties your Joseph to Uriah, but

for other Prewitt sources. When looking for Joseph's father one would need to first check Halifax and then

1776. Your Joseph's statement (http://southerncampaign.org/pen/r8506.pdf) says that he was born in

at: http://southerncampaign.org/pen/ These are not all the statements but many of them.

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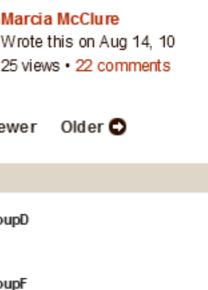
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Most recent discussions Well its official, Ancestry is shutting down our Pruett/Pruitt/Prewitt Project on September 5th What happens to this information The PREWITT - PRUITT RECORDS of VIRGINIA by Richard A. Prewitt has been uploaded to the file

section. Seeking a Y-DNA Tested Direct Male Descendant of James Burriss Pruitt (1832-1914) of Anderson, SC New Member with Anderson County, South Carolina

Pruitt Lineage

Joseph's.

Marcia

connection between Uriah and Joseph Sr. could be stronger. One major problem is the large number of

Ritch Pruitt 4 hours ago

There were two Joseph Pruitt/Pruett's in Wilkes County who were located very close to one another. Actually they were the only two Pruitt groups and most likely the first Pruitts into Wilkes Co. The "older Joseph" (Joseph

Excellent food for thought and the http://southerncampaign.org site is a wonderful resource.

I had Joseph's pension request before which Joel (his son) had power of attorney. Joel is the direct male ancestor of my fifth cousin who matches up with my 67 marker (2 gen diff). Joel is Joseph's first son, my

I have assumed for sometime that either Uriah or Joseph Sr. were not biologically related. It is true that the

Sr.) died in 1790 in Wilkes. It has been the assumption that both men came to Wilkes Co. together and bought separate pieces of land. The senior Joseph did have a Joseph Jr....it is true there has been some assumption that they were related. I agree that it is not 100% connection between the especially considering the DNA

a closer look at John (Sam's brother) and see if anything pops up.

results. Of course I do not know anyone else who linked to "Joseph Sr." with differing DNA. Uriah had another son, Henry, who died in Wilkes Co. and was the witness to Joseph Sr's will. Other Pruitts being related is a definitive possibly...Maybe infidelity...multiple marriages...adoptions... I have looked into other Pruitt possibilities and I have also looked at other families in the area at the same time

Thanks again! Comments Ritchie Pruitt Aug 15, 10 "On 7/27/1790, the estate of Joseph Pruitt, deceased, was administered by Henry---, Jesse Franklin, and Moses Snow" ... "In December 1790, the will of Joseph Prewit was proven, with Henry Prewit the adminstrator and Jesse Franklin and Moses Snow as securities" (Wilkes Co., NC Will Book #1, p289) and ("Some Descendants of Thomas Prewitt" by Carol Lawson Lambert) via www.webjmd.com I do not have a copy, but my distant cousin Jason Duncan (www.webjmd.com) has a copy of both sources.

family member to look up the information at the Wilkes Genealogical Society for me.

He mentions that he bought a copy of Lambert's book in 2001 on his site. I will send him an email to ask him if he can send me a copy of his sources in some form. If he does not comply, then I can always ask a

Henry Prewit/Pruitt could be Joseph Sr. brother, who also lived and died in Wilkes County. Henry

administrator, he also died in 1790. Hopefully the transcripts will add some more information

Prewitt/Pruitt could be Joseph Sr. eldest son/Joseph Jr. oldest brother. There is little known about the existence of that Henry. If it was Joseph Sr. brother then he died immediately after being the will's

The Allen Co Library here in Fort Wayne, IN has 6 volumes of Wilkes Co, NC deeds and court minutes. I'll try to run down tomorrow and see if something in there doesn't help. They probably have some Wilkes wills

If Henry died in Wilkes in 1790 then he died after being appointed the administrator in Dec 1790. The 1790

There don't appear to be any other Pruitts in Wilkes through 1840 except for your Joseph and his offspring -

The Pruitts have been a part of two churches in the Traphill/Dockery area for around 200 years...may be longer (Piney Grove and Roundhill Baptist). I will probably have to do the detective work first hand the next

for 1782, 1784 - 1786. He had 100 acres in each. In 1782 they reported slaves, horses and cattle. He had 1

In 1802, Joseph Jr entered 100 ac beginning near Ralph Holbrook (father-in-law?) line, near the top of Little

2/2/1808 Polly Pruet, age 15, was bound to Wm Gray to learn the occupation of spinster until age 18.

In 1801, James Hanks entered land on Big Elkin Cr including "widow Pruet's improvements."

census shows Joseph 1754 and a "Lus" who appears to be a widow. She has one male under 16 and

Jacob, Joel, Andrew, and Ralph. It appears that Joseph is living with Andrew in 1830.

another branch of Pruitts in those first 50 to 75 years in the ten years I have looked at this.

Out of curiosity, are there any DNA results for any of the Pruitts on Tangier Island, VA?

with similar DNA results to see if there might be a plausible narrative to tie the two together. We have seen in the past that Ducray, Farmer, Belue and Chastain have been tied into the Pruitt narrative. I definitely would like to link this Wilkes Co. Pruitt line in somewhere. I appreciate you taking a deeper look at this, I will definitely take

http://www.mynorthcarolinagenealogy.com/nc-county-wilkes.html About Wilkes County Marcia McClure Aug 15, 10

I sent Jason an email asking for the material. I will post what he sends back. I agree with your position about only the one group/family of Pruitts in Wilkes County. I have never seen I have been hoping to get some grave site information back from some relatives that live in the area but nothing as of yet.

Thank you again for your help. Carol Cole Aug 16, 10

time I go down and visit the family. I live in the Northeast.

too. What we really need is to see the will.

another female living with her.

Ritchie Pruitt Aug 15, 10

Marcia McClure Aug 17, 10

horse and 6 head of cattle.

Mountain & runs east.

Carol - not that I know of but the DNA is kind of re-writing what has been assumed in the past. Ritch - I did a search of the Wilkes Co records today. I need to go back to the preceding county tomorrow. There is a transcription mistake in the administration record of Joseph's 1790 estate. The administrator was Henry SNOW not Prewit. There was no Henry Prewit in Wilkes. The only other name that I found in early Wilkes was at the 12/1779 court. Charles Pruett was charged in 2 cases, there was a jury trial, and he was found not guilty. No further record of Charles. It appears that Joseph obtained his land before Wilkes was Wilkes, pre 1777. He appears on the tax lists

5/5/1808 John Pruet, age 16, was bound to John Chambers to learn the occupation of "shewmaking business" until age 21

Joseph reconfirmed this same 100 ac in 1806, 1807, and 1808

Thomas Prewet (III son of Thomas Jr of Henrico/Goochland) Henry Prewit (see 1767, lived in the part that became Pittsylvania, unknown origin) 1765 a Henry was granted 335 acres in Halifax between the Sandy and Cane Creeks. This area became Pittsylvania in 1767 (see map at http://www.myvirginiagenealogy.com/va-maps.html scroll down to VA Atlases and click 1795. Sandy and Cane are at the VA/NC border and in between is the word "Pittsylvania")

David Prewet (son of Richard of Henrico/Goochland)

"Swedish Milkman" is an euphemism. It simply means that there might have been some infidelity or some sort of familial intrigue that might be covered up (adoption, prior relationship, etc.). I put the modifier "Swedish" in front of it because my DNA is I1d (L22+ P109-) which is demographically centered around southern Sweden. The dynamic could be as easily called "Scottish Postman" or "Anglo-Saxon Gardener". http://www.cartoonstock.com/newscartoons/cartoonists/kty/lowres/ktyn148l.jpg Sociological studies have shown that roughly 1 out of 11 fathers are unaware they are not the biological

Henry Prewet (believe that this is the son of Hugh of Henrico/Goochland) Sarah Prewet (widow of Thomas Jr of Henrico/Goochland)

Ritchie Pruitt Nov20, 10

1760 Halifax Co, VA Tax List:

fathers of the children they are raising. When we discuss some probabilities within the genealogical/DNA arena, then I think this needs to be kept in mind. At the moment, we simply do not know much more about Joseph Sr. origin's. You have brought some excellent information to the discussion in the past few months which has made it abundantly clear that the Wilkes line is a separate entity which brushed elbows for some undetermined amount of time with the other Virginia Prewitts. I have seen a Henry and Mary Pruitt posted as the siblings of Joseph Jr., but nothing much more than that. I think whoever Joseph Jr's siblings were could be the key in unlocking the origins of the line. It just does not appear there is much more currently available on Joseph Sr or Jr.

should be one of the alternatives when discussing her name.

father, but it is more likely that this did not occur.

and later tax lists was the son of Samuel Pruitt II. Samuel Pruitt I died in Frederick Co., Md. around the beginning of 1761. His sons, Zachariah (shows up in 1760s tax lists, but then seems to vanish), Samuel II and John appear to have moved to Halifax/Pittsy Ivania Co. very soon after their father's death. It's possible that John (b. 1736) or his brother Zachariah (b. 1734) had a son named Joseph. Ritch's Joseph said he was born in Pittsy Ivania Co. (actually Halifax Co.), Va. in 1754, but it wouldn't be the first time that someone misremembered or was unaware that they weren't born in the same place they were raised. I suppose I could help figure this out by having my DNA tested. By the way, in the 1789 tax list, there is a Joseph Pruitt (Bannister) - presumably living near the Bannister

Henry was probably Joseph Sr. brother especially if he had to be 21 to be included on the 1760 tax rolls (1760 - 21 = 1739....1739 - 1724 = 15). It is not out of the realm of possibility for a 15 year old to become a

Marcia and Ritch - the Samuel Pruitt who lived in Pittsylvania Co. in 1767 was the son of Samuel Pruitt and Elizabeth Hawker who lived in Frederick Co., Md. Samuel Pruitt II seems to have lived in the same area of southern Pittsylvania as Henry Pruitt (around Sandy Cr.), but I do not believe there was a direct relationship. As I've documented on my website, http://pruiett-parker.com, the Zachariah Pruitt who shows up in 1789

One thing is clear, there are probably a lot of Joseph Sr.'s siblings and offspring that have not been

thru 1800 - a Joseph paid taxes in Pittsylvania on 50 acres. This could have been a son of Henry.

I was kidding earlier about the Swedish milkman in New Sweden, but if you look at this map you will see that New Sweden might indeed be the origin of your families.... if you 2 match. http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nycoloni/nswdmp.html New Sweden was settled by Swedes (my Hans Mansson founder of the Steelman family came to New Sweden as a prisoner in 1641), Finns, some Dutch, and a few German soldiers. In 1654, Hans Preutz (Pryss, Prentz), stone cutter, soldier - Hired at Stockholm 1654 arrived aboard The Eagle. You can read about it here: http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nycoloni/shsw9om.html

It wasn't a pleasant voyage! Hans returned to Sweden in 1655. It's entirely possible that he found or reclaimed a wife and returned to the colony. Later passenger lists are sadly uninformative about specific Bill - from the look of your wonderful web site, you've been at this a long time. DNA testing might help you find your immigrant ancestor.

Later in 1808 - Polly Pruet, age 16, bound to Abraham Bishop to learn the occupation of spinster until age 18 (Must not have worked out with William Gray!) Polly and John would have been Joesph's children, both born after 1790. Marcia John W.Pruett-VA DF 13 Aug 17, 10 Carol, I wish someone would get tested from Tangier Island because I have been asked many times if I am related to the many Pruitts on the Island. I am not sure that Tangier Island, which is now down to 500 people, even has internet service. There was a sad story in the Sunday newspaper about Tangier Island possibly losing their long time doctor. Their doctor is a real American hero. . http://www2.timesdispatch.com/news/2010/aug/15/tang15-ar-426784/ Ritchie Pruitt Aug 17, 10 Marcia, excellent job! I had seen Henry Snow mentioned before...I suppose someone tried to substitute "Pruitt" to fit their own opinions about Joseph. It seems inane to me for anyone to fill in the blanks without stating it in some kind of proviso. Nice find...it is probably one of the reasons I am not getting any feedback from the source of the mistake. True, Wilkes was part of Surry County. The story behind Wilkes Co's namesake is a fascinating one. I have never seen the name of Charles Pruett...he could have been passing through. Joseph did marry a Holbrook. It is possible that Joseph named his son Ralph after his father-in-law. That is the first I have heard of Joseph having slaves. Most Pruitts from this region were not affluent enough to own slaves. Joseph Pruitt/Holbrook children I have seen documented were: Joel 1786, Catherine 1787, Andrew 1790, Benjamin 1791, Jacob 1794, Ralph 1801 John circa 1792 Polly (Mary or Elizabeth usually) circa 1793 They fit within the cadre of children birth dates. I will factor in these new offspring of Joseph and see what pops up. It does not surprise me about Polly... this line of Pruitt has been said to be bit "independent" and "headstrong"... or so I have been told. :-) Some questions that popped up for me: Q: Which Pruitt died before 1801 to make a "widow Pruitt"? Q: Isn't there will for "another Joseph" in Wilkes County regardless if a Henry Prewitt is not executor? Q: Didn't Henry Prewitt die in Wilkes? Thank you once again! Marcia McClure Aug 17, 10 Ritch - sorry to confuse you, Joseph didn't have a slave they just counted them in that census. He had a horse and 6 head of cattle. The widow is shown in the 1790 Wilkes Co census. Her first name looks to be "Luc." She's got a male under 16 living with her and another female. She is Joseph Sr's widow. If there are any Wilkes Co wills that are transcribed, I didn't find one for Joseph. I don't show any Henry Prewitts in Wilkes. Unless there is evidence otherwise, I think someone imagined him! Marcia Ritchie Pruitt Aug 18, 10 I found this earlier today. I am not able to look at the direct record online. I will check LDS site to see what they have on these men. This might be the Charles which you found earlier. North Carolina Census, 1790-1890 NAME: Charles Pruitt RESIDENCE: 1786 - township, Surry County, NC NAME: Peter Pruitt RESIDENCE: 1786 - township, Surry County, NC NAME: Richard Pruitt RESIDENCE: 1786 - township, Surry County, NC NAME: Richard Pruitt RESIDENCE: 1786 - township, Surry County, NC NAME: Shadrick Pruitt RESIDENCE: 1786 - township, Surry County, NC I will also look more at Joseph "Jr." children... I all ready found some information about Andrew (1790). http://search.labs.familysearch.org/recordsearch/start.html#surname=Pruitt&toYear=1-790&searchType=partial&alivePlaceLoc1=Wilkes%2C%20North%20Carolina%2C%20United%20States&p=recordResults&placeId=1771 Marcia McClure Aug 18, 10 Ritch - A word of caution here - Family Search can be a resource but verify anything that you find there. Much of it is speculation and unsourced information unfortunately. I always check to see if the information was submitted by someone or if it comes from an actual source document... parish record, census, tax list, etc. The above names look like they came from an early census or tax list. Wilkes was Wilkes by 1786, so these men in Surry could have been located quite a ways away from your Joseph in Wilkes, but they can be good hints. Marcia Ritchie Pruitt Aug 18, 10 I only pay attention to the information which have scanned documents to back up claims. Even then, there is always some subjectivity that has to be accounted for. Bad phonetic spelling, horrible simple mathematics, the addition of unrelated individuals or missing people within the household. There needs to be many pieces of interconnecting information to make a solid by pothesis. I do not know where the names come from except they were possible residences of Surry County in 1786. I do not assume anything beyond they might be a lead. May be they will connect to the Charles you mentioned earlier...we will see. I agree with your assertion of caution. It is easy to see how misinformation can travel quickly by the earnest want of answers. Jan McClintock Aug 21, 10 Ritch...I thought that Joseph lived in Ashe Co. NC (according to his Rev. War Pension App). Was there any relationship between Joseph and Levi who lived in Surry Co. NC? Ritchie Pruitt Aug 21, 10 Jan, Joseph probably lived in Surry before part of it became Wilkes. He definitely lived in Wilkes before moving to Ashe. He died in Ashe. I am not aware of a Levi. Can you tell us about him? Jan McClintock Aug 21, 10 Levi was the son of Byrd Pruitt and was married to Elizabeth Taliaferro in 1788. They lived in Surry Co NC for awhile and then moved to Warren Co. GA where Levi died in 1805. Levi's brothers were Lemuel who eventually settled in Monroe Co MS where he died in 1844 and Elisha who moved on to TN and possibly SC... I corresponded with a lady named Caroline Hughes back in 1988 who had written a book about Lemuel entitled " Ancestors and Descendants of Lemuel Pruitt/Prewett and Catherine Brantley". Jan Jan McClintock Aug 21, 10 Oaths of Allegiance-Pittsylvania Co VA 1777 Charles Kennon's list: Zach Pruitt Phillip Pruitt Samuel Pruitt Rubin Pain's list Joseph Pruett Bird Pruitt Levey Pruitt William Ward's list Elisha Pruitt John Wilson's list John Prewett Refusing to take the Oath: Uriah Pruitt Marcia McClure Aug 21, 10 Jan - great list! In many ways it's better than a poll or tax list. You didn't have to own land or be 21 for them to want you to take an oath. By rd was the brother of my ancestor Michael Prewitt (c1720 - 1798). They were sons of Andrew, son of Henry Prewitt of Henrico (1654 - 1722). So no DNA match there for you Ritch. It shows just how hard it is to trace our ancestors in the black hole just before and following the Revolution. People flooded south from the Shenandoah Valley and the western VA counties, then started mixing with the German and Scots-Irish families who traveled south from PA. They continued on into the Carolinas and we often pick them up as adults in NC, SC, GA, TN, and AL. Ritchie Pruitt Aug 21, 10 http://i72.photobucket.com/albums/i168/my871/SwedishChef.jpg He is related to the Swedish Milkman. :-) Marcia McClure Nov 20, 10 Ritch - I've looked really hard and can't find any Swedish milkmen in early VA! There were probably some up in New Sweden though. There were 2 men in Halifax, later Pittsylvania, who don't seem to fit into the families of the Henrico/Goochland Prewitts or the families of Samuel of Frederick Co, MD - Henry and Joseph Prewitt. These are the only 2 Prewitts who are not tied to the other families. (I don't think that we have DNA from Samuel's line.) 1754 - Your Joseph was born in Pittsylvania Co in 1754 per his Rev War pension. (Halifax as Ptts was formed in 1767)

1767 Pitts Tax List - Henry and Joseph appear in one household in Pittsylvania, probably brothers. (Joseph 1754 was too young to appear on the list) Samuel, Byrd, and Richard were on the list too. Byrd and Richard are the H/G family. 1773 - Your Joseph (1754 - after 1833NC) says he moved from Pittsy Ivania to Wilkes (Surry as Wilkes was formed in 1777) 1790 - Joseph Pruit/Prewit died in Wilkes Co, NC. 1790 - Luc (widow) Pruit and Jo Prewitt are in the census for Wilkes Co living near each other.

Ritchie Pruitt Nov20, 10 I was looking closely at the 1790 United States Federal Census, and "Lus/Luc" Pruett looks like it was probably "Lucy". This is very subjective, but looking at the document, there is a heavy pen mark that comes after the c which appears below the line. Now that could be part of the W in Wm Bradbury which is the next name in line, but it does not appear to be part of the line in my opinion. It looks like a bottom of a letter from Luc...my guess is it is a "y". Not that her being a "Lucy" advances the information much, but I think it

accounted for.

Bill Pruiett Nov20, 10

from her brother James.

did a DNA test!!

who died in Wilkes Co, NC in 1790.

River - who I cannot account for This Joseph or another Joseph lived near John Pruitt, Jr. in 1800. Is it possible this is Ritch's Joseph? This would reinforce the connection to my Pruitts, but doesn't jive with the fact that Ritch says his Joseph Pruitt was living in NC by 1773. Marcia McClure Nov 20, 10

Ritch and Bill - I do think that "Luc" was Lucy, may be even short for Lucinda.

and Joseph in the same household. These are my suspects for Ritch's family.

Mary Ann Elliott who married Joseph (Samuel, Samuel, John) was a many graunt of mine. I'm descended

Ritch's Joseph was 19 in 1773 and was old enough to have struck out for NC on his own. There was a Joseph who remained on the Pittsylvania tax records up to 1800, so we know that he can't be the Joseph

There's an "extra" Henry on the 1760 Halifax tax list in 1760. In 1767 Pittsylvania tax list there's a Henry

Bill, there aren't any DNA results from any known descendant of the MD line. It would be a huge help if you