

Descendants of John Hawkins of Halifax County

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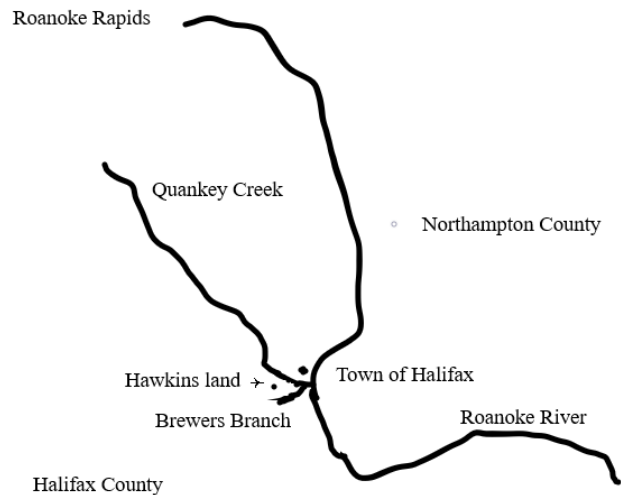
The documentation of the Hawkinses of early Halifax County, North Carolina is difficult because only a limited amount of records exist today. The available records mostly consist of wills and deeds. Isham and Thomas Hawkins were residents of the newly created Halifax County in the mid-1770s. They first appeared just southwest of the Town of Halifax^[1] near Quankey Creek (see drawing to the right)^[2].

Although there are not any conclusive records documenting their relationship, it can be inferred from many records that Isham and Thomas were most likely brothers. The records do not conclusively identify their father either. This paper will connect them as brothers, identify their probable father, and provide information on their children.

The first Hawkins to purchase land near Quankey Creek was John Hawkins in 1745.

There was no further evidence of John or the subsequent ownership of this land. Nevertheless, Isham and Thomas did appear in the records 30 years later in the same area.

John¹ Hawkins showed up two times in the records. He made his first appearance in Edgecombe County in 1744. He witnessed the sale from Charles Kimbell to William Sessom on 19 Nov 1744.^[3] He was of Edgecombe County when he purchased 200 acres adjoining Rouse's line and the Roanoke River from John Raney on 15 Nov 1745.^[4] John Hawkins' property was located in the northeast part of what is now Halifax County.



¹ The Town of Halifax was established in 1757 and was made the county seat of the newly created Halifax County in 1759. Edgecombe County was split into two counties.

² This property was located southwest of the Town of Halifax where Quankey Creek, Elk Marsh Swamp (sometimes called Marsh Swamp), and Brewers Branch flow closely together. Brewers Branch flows into Quankey Creek. Quankey Creek and Elk Marsh Swamp run roughly parallel to each other. Quankey Creek flows into the Roanoke River and Elk Marsh Swamp flows into Fishing Creek.

³ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 5, 1741-1746*, microfilm no. [7547220] pages 308-309, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. This was part of a patent to William Little on 4 Jul 1726.

⁴ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 5, 1741-1746*, microfilm no. [7547220] page 488, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah; (*North Carolina Land Grants, Secretary of State Folder 12.14.59.930*,

Unfortunately, John Hawkins provided no clues as to where he lived prior to coming to Edgecombe County in 1744. The nearby counties of Chowan/Bertie, Tyrrell, Granville, and Isle of Wight in Virginia all had Hawkins families during the mid-1750s. A review of these Hawkins families, including a study of their neighbors and associates, uncovered nothing in any of these counties that proved where John had previously lived. One other clue may be helpful. An attendant to a yearly meeting of one of the churches on Fishing Creek in 1755 noted that the inhabitants of Edgecombe County were “principally from Virginia and some from Pennsylvania and Jersey”.^[5]

The neighbors of John Hawkins can be helpful in determining his family’s relationships. Peter Smith and William Roane, who moved into Quankey Creek area in the mid-1750s, frequently intermixed with the Hawkins family. Peter moved from Middlesex County, Virginia and patented 200 acres on the north side of Chockette Creek on 28 Oct 1754 in Edgecombe County.^[6] This property was near Quankey Creek.^[7] Peter’s posterity interacted with the Hawkins family over a number of years. William Roane purchased 150 acres adjoining John Myrick from John Thompson and wife Mary on 1 Feb 1755.^[8] This plantation was located on Elk Marsh Swamp.^[9] William’s daughter Amy would marry John’s son Isham².

First Generation

1. John¹ Hawkins was born about 1722. John married **Mrs. John Hawkins** about 1741. John first appeared in the records as a witness to the sale from Charles Kimball to William Sessums on 19 Nov 1744. He lived in Edgecombe County and purchased from John Raney 200 acres adjoining Beech Rouse and the Roanoke River dated 15 Nov 1745.^[10] He did not leave a will or estate. There is no documentation that specifically tied him to sons Thomas and Isham. They are placed as sons of John because of their relative age, proximity to his property near Quankey Creek, and their dealings with each other.

Children from John Hawkins and wife Mrs. John Hawkins were:

- 2 M i. **Thomas² Hawkins** born about 1743 in Edgecombe County and died after 24 Jan 1796 in Halifax County.

Book 10, p. 186, File 928, North Carolina State Archives, Raleigh, North Carolina.) John Rainey had purchased this property located on the south side of the Roanoke River on 18 Nov 1743. Technically, the property was west of the river as it flowed past this property.

⁵ William C. Allen, *History of Halifax County*, (The Cornhill Company: Boston, Massachusetts, 1918), 12.

⁶ *North Carolina Land Grants, Secretary of State Folder 12.14.59.1581, Book 11, p. 262, File 1572, North Carolina State Archives, Raleigh, North Carolina.*

⁷ Margaret M. Hofmann, ed., *The Granville District of North Carolina, 1748-1763*, 5 volumes (The Roanoke News Company: Weldon, North Carolina, 1986), 4:164 no. 1812. Peter Smith’s property was mentioned as a neighboring property on Quankey Creek.

⁸ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 2, 1754-1756*, microfilm no. [7547218] pages 246-248, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.

⁹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 5, 1741-1746*, microfilm no. [7547220] page 382, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. This property of his neighbor John Myrick was on the north side of Elk Marsh. DNA tests show that William Roane was probably from the Lancaster County, Pennsylvania branch of the Roanes and not the Gloucester County, Virginia branch.

¹⁰ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 5, 1741-1746*, microfilm no. [7547220] page 488, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.

- 3 M ii. **Isham² Hawkins** born about 1752 in Edgecombe County and died after 26 Apr 1817 in Halifax County.

Second Generation (Children)

2. Thomas² Hawkins (*John¹*) was born about 1743 in Edgecombe County and died after 24 Jan 1796 in Halifax County.^[11] Thomas married **Mary** (*---*) about 1763 in Halifax County. She died after 27 Dec 1808 in Halifax County.^[12] Mary married secondly **Mr. Smith** about 1797 in Halifax County.^[15]

Thomas was a witness to the land sale from Richard Thompson to Thomas Pace for 200 acres in Halifax County on 21 Sep 1767.^[13] On 20 Feb 1775, he purchased from James Fletcher and wife Mary 342 acres on Quankey Creek adjoining Montfort Eelbeck.^[14] He purchased from George Pace and wife Patience 100 acres on south side of Elk Swamp adjoining Cades Branch on 30 Nov 1776.^[15] Thomas spent the rest of his life living near Elk Swamp.

Thomas was a witness to the will of William Roane on 8 Aug 1776.^[16] On 9 Nov 1778, he purchased three properties from Moses Parke of Bute County, North Carolina totaling 915 ½ acres on the west side of Elk Marsh.^[17] With wife Mary, Thomas sold 100 acres on the south side of Marsh Swamp adjoining Cades Branch to John Purnal on 6 Jul 1778.^[18] Thomas and Mary sold to Benjamin McCulloch 342 acres on Quankey Creek adjoining Montford Eelbeck on 16 Feb 1779.^[19] Thomas was in the 1784 North Carolina Census in Halifax County with 1 male between ages 21-60, 2

¹¹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 18, 1796-1802*, microfilm no. [7547224] page 34, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. He witnessed a sale of a slave by son his John. Isham Smith was also a witness.

¹² *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 21, 1807-1811*, microfilm no. [7547225] page 263, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Her son Benjamin Hawkins was to get her estate after her death. This deed of gift was filed in court in Feb 1809.

¹³ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 10, 1767-1770*, microfilm no. [7547221] pages 40-41, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Thomas signed with an "X".

¹⁴ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 13, 1773-1778*, microfilm no. [7547222] pages 313-315, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹⁵ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 13, 1773-1778*, microfilm no. [7547222] pages 549-551, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City; (*Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 17, 1788-1796*, microfilm no. [7537200] pages 175-176, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.) Isham purchased land on Cade's Branch on 7 Dec 1802.

¹⁶ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 2, 1775-1781*, microfilm no. [4755346] pages 53-54, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. William was the father of Amy (Roane) Hawkins, Thomas's sister-in-law.

¹⁷ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 14, 1778-1783*, microfilm no. [7547223] pages 94-95, 98-99, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. There were two somewhat duplicate transactions for this property in the land records. They have two different dates and some other slight variations in the information provided. Thomas and wife Mary sold much of this land on 10 Nov 1785.

¹⁸ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 14, 1778-1783*, microfilm no. [7547223] pages 125-126, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹⁹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 14, 1778-1783*, microfilm no. [7547223] pages 399-400, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

males under 21 or over 60, 1 female, and 6 slaves.^[20] He sold to Susannah Bird 30 acres near Marsh Swamp adjoining Joel Hurt and the said Hawkins on 16 Aug 1785.^[21] Thomas purchased 334 acres on south side of the Marsh Swamp from Joel Hurt dated 9 Nov 1785.^[22]

Thomas purchased from William Hurt 25 acres adjoining the new road and Mr. Westcoat, in Nov 1787.^[23] In the 1790 Census, there were 3 males 16 and over, no males under 16, 1 female, and 11 slaves in the household.^[24] He purchased from John Branch two plantations totaling 300 acres on Elk Marsh Swamp on 22 Feb 1791.^[25] Thomas was an executor to the will of Joseph Hubank on 16 Oct 1791 and his son John was a witness.^[26] He sold to John Eaton 65 acres on the road to Alston's ordinary, Joseph Eubanks, and the main road on 9 Feb 1793.^[27] Mary married secondly Mr. Smith. There is no information on the identity of this Mr. Smith. She had a number of Smith neighbors. She gave possibly all of her estate to son Benjamin on 27 Dec 1808. Her son John was deceased and John's wife had moved to Georgia and remarried.

Children from Thomas Hawkins and wife Mary (---) were:

- M i. **John³ Hawkins**^[28] was born about 1764 in Halifax County and died about 1800 in probably in Halifax County. John married **Gilly Yancey Crawford**, daughter of **Thomas Crawford** and **Elizabeth Alston**, in 1790 in Halifax County.^[29] She was born in 1772 in Wake County, North Carolina and died on 12 May 1843 in Madison, Morgan, Georgia.^[30] Gilly married secondly **Sion Boon**, son of **Ratcliff Boon** and **Mary Raiford**, on 26 Nov 1804 in Greene County.^[31] Sion was born on 16 Jun 1760 in Isle of Wight County and died 17 Jun 1829 in Madison.^[32] Sion had previously married **Nancy Kemp**, possibly the daughter

²⁰ Alvaretta K. Register, *State Census of North Carolina, 1784-1787* (1971; reprint, Baltimore, Maryland: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1993), 57.

²¹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 15, 1782-1784*, microfilm no. [7547223] page 426, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

²² *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 15, 1782-1784*, microfilm no. [7547223] page 493, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

²³ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 16, 1784-1788*, microfilm no. [7537200] page 479, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

²⁴ Bureau of the Census, *Heads of Families at the First Census of the United States, North Carolina 1790* (1908; reprint, Greenville, South Carolina: Southern Historical Press, 1994), 61.

²⁵ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 17, 1788-1796*, microfilm no. [7537200] pages 260-262, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

²⁶ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 242, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

²⁷ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 17, 1788-1796*, microfilm no. [7537200] page 598, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

²⁸ During his life time, he was always called John Hawkins in the records. His descendants in later generations also referred to him as Thomas Hawkins instead.

²⁹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Marriages Group Folder 13.13, Treasurer's and Comptroller's Papers, 1790-1839, Box 47* (North Carolina State Archives: Raleigh, North Carolina), no pagination.

³⁰ "Died", *Southern Miscellany* Madison, Georgia, 13 May 1843, p. 3, col 6.

³¹ *Greene County, Georgia, Marriage Licenses, 1785-1810*, microfilm no. [4849035] page 16, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

³² "Communicated", *Southern Recorder* Milledgeville, Georgia, 4 Jul 1829, p. 3, col 5. He was 69 years and 1 day old.

of **Joseph Kemp** and **Hester (---)**, on 7 Jan 1793 in Isle of Wight County.^[33] Nancy was born about 1771 and died before 1802 probably in Isle of Wight County. John³ and his father Thomas witnessed the will of Robert Fountain dated 6 Nov 1787.^[34] John received 250 acres on Elk Marsh Swamp from his father for a nominal charge on 17 Feb 1792.^[35] John and father-in-law Thomas Crafford sold a slave to Robert H. Long on 23 Oct 1794.^[36] The next day his father-in-law Thomas Crafford sold two slaves to him.^[37] John sold to John Burk a slave on 13 Dec 1796.^[38] On 13 Jan 1798, John³ sold 250 acres on Elk Marsh Swamp to John Hammel.^[39] John was found in the 1800 Census^[40] but not in the 1800 Halifax County taxables taken shortly thereafter. Gilly and Temperance Jones, the second wife of brother-in-law Benjamin Hawkins, are related. They share the same grandmother Hannah Kimbrough but not the same grandfather. Some of Gilly's family relocated to Greene County, Georgia by 1801.^[41] Gilly migrated there as well and married Sion Boon in 1804 in Greene County. Sion had lived in Isle of Wight County where he had been previously married. On 28 Mar 1795, Sion was the executor for his father's will.^[42] Sion was in Greene County by 1802.^[43] Sion and Gilly later moved to Madison,

³³ *Isle of Wight County, Virginia, Marriage Records, 1772-1852*, microfilm no. [7578992] page 53, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. It has been speculated that Sion previously married Chasey (Council) Boon who was the daughter of Joshua Council. Joshua left a will on 7 May 1793 giving slaves to his daughter Chasey Boon. This will was written four months after Sion had married Nancy Kemp so Chasey was married to another Boon male and not Sion.

³⁴ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 17, 1788-1796*, microfilm no. [7537200] page 64, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

³⁵ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 17, 1788-1796*, microfilm no. [7537200] pages 390-391, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Thomas stated the reduced price was for natural love and affection for his son. Also, Benjamin Hawkins' name is incorrectly mentioned as the recipient of this land in a marginal side note in the deed book.

³⁶ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 17, 1788-1796*, microfilm no. [7537200] page 703, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

³⁷ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 17, 1788-1796*, microfilm no. [7537200] page 703, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

³⁸ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 18, 1796-1802*, microfilm no. [7547224] page 158, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. His brother Benjamin was a witness.

³⁹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 18, 1796-1802*, microfilm no. [7547224] pages 310-311, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁴⁰ Ancestry.com U.S, *1800 Census Halifax County, North Carolina*, John Hawkins family (National Archives: Washington, District of Columbia), microfilm M32, Roll 30, page 314 image 316.

⁴¹ *Greene County, Georgia, Tax Record Books and Docket, Vol. 63, 1801*, microfilm no. [8134236] image 178, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Her father and brother Thomas were in Greene County by 1801. Uncle Hardy Crawford arrived by 1799.

⁴² *Isle of Wight County, Virginia, Will Book, Vol. 11, 1794-1802*, microfilm no. [7645163] pages 174-175, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁴³ *Greene County, Georgia, Tax Record Books and Docket, Vol. 66, 1802*, microfilm no. [8134236] image 384, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Sion was on the same tax list as relatives Thomas Crawford, William Crawford, and John Crawford.

Georgia by 1820. Sion left a will on 7 May 1829.^[44] Gilly lived another 14 years and left a will on 6 Mar 1843.^[45]

- M ii. **Benjamin³ Hawkins** was born about 1768 in Halifax County and died before Aug 1822 in Halifax County. Benjamin married **Sarah Crossland**, daughter of **Edward Crossland** and **Sarah (---)**, in Halifax County in 1788.^[46] Sarah was born in Halifax County about 1768 and died there before 1795. Benjamin next married **Temperance Jones**, daughter of **Francis Jones** and **Frances Yancey**, about 1795 in Halifax County. Temperance was born about 1770 in Halifax County and died before 21 Apr 1823 in Halifax County.^[47] Benjamin and his father Thomas witnessed a land sale from William Hays to Benjamin Neville on 10 Jul 1789.^[48] First wife Sarah was mentioned only in the will of her father Edward Crossland on 18 Dec 1775.^[49] Benjamin purchased 177 acres on Hazel Nut Branch and Worleys Spring from Isham Davis and wife Marriott dated 22 Nov 1799.^[50] He sold a slave to James Bishop on 18 Feb 1800.^[51] Benjamin bought 50 acres from George Moore on John Worley's former Spring Branch adjoining Isham Davis on 2 Jun 1800.^[52] Benjamin sold land purchased from Isham and Marriott Davis on Hazelnut Branch to Joseph and Neville Gee on 24 Dec 1802.^[53] He purchased from John Davidson and wife Fanny and Wright Westcoat 221 acres on the south side of Elk Marsh on 15 Feb 1804.^[54] He was given a power of attorney from his brother-in-law Guilford Jones dated 26 Dec 1804.^[55] Benjamin and uncle Isham Hawkins were commissioners of the estate of John Myrick on 20 Nov 1806.^[56] He was the executor to the will of Henry

⁴⁴ *Morgan County, Georgia, Wills, Book B, 1815-1830*, microfilm no. [5756795] pages 262-264, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁴⁵ *Morgan County, Georgia, Wills, Book C, 1831-1866*, microfilm no. [5756795] pages 79-81, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁴⁶ Douglas Ransom, "Marriage Licences Granted in Halifax County, NC 1786-88-89," *The North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal*, 4 (May 1978): 118-120.

⁴⁷ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 25, 1814-1823*, microfilm no. [7547227] page 604, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁴⁸ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 17, 1788-1796*, microfilm no. [7537200] pages 171-172, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁴⁹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 2, 1775-1781*, microfilm no. [4755346] pages 79-81, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁵⁰ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 18, 1796-1802*, microfilm no. [7547224] pages 622-623, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁵¹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 18, 1796-1802*, microfilm no. [7547224] page 529, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁵² *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 18, 1796-1802*, microfilm no. [7547224] pages 635-636, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁵³ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 19, 1802-1805*, microfilm no. [7547224] page 67, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁵⁴ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 19, 1802-1805*, microfilm no. [7547224] page 292, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁵⁵ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 20, 1805-1807*, microfilm no. [7547225] page 340, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁵⁶ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 20, 1805-1807*, microfilm no. [7547225] pages 427-429, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

Jones dated 3 Jan 1808^[57] and James Dickens on 10 Dec 1813.^[58] His property was divided amongst his children on 16 Nov 1822.^[59] In Mar 1840, his estate was still being executed.^[60] Wife Temperance was deceased when her children received a portion of the estate of brother Guilford Jones of Louisiana dated 21 Apr 1823.

3. Isham² Hawkins (*John¹*) was born in 1752 in Edgecombe County and died after 26 Apr 1817 in Halifax County.^[61] Isham married **Amy Roane**, daughter of **William Roane** and **Mrs. William Roane**, in 1769 in Halifax County. Amy was born in 1752 and died before 1818 in Halifax County.

The birthplace and parentage of Isham has confused many genealogists for years. Although Isham Hawkins is a very uncommon name, there were two contemporary Ishams in the 1700s about the same age. One lived his whole life in Virginia and the other lived entirely in North Carolina. The Virginia Isham born to Edward Hawkins and wife Jane on 15 Jan 1740 in Bristol Parish in Prince George County, Virginia.^[62] This Isham continued to live in Bristol Parish for at least the next 70 years. In 1752, Bristol Parish became part of Dinwiddie County. The Virginia Isham can be found on the 1783,^[63] 1789,^[64] 1796,^[65] 1798,^[66] 1799,^[67] and 1805^[68] tax lists in Dinwiddie County. Other records, including additional tax records, mentioning the Virginia Isham Hawkins were found in Dinwiddie County as well.

⁵⁷ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 474, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁵⁸ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 547, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁵⁹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 25, 1814-1823*, microfilm no. [7547227] pages 601, 604, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁶⁰ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Court Minutes, 1822-1851*, microfilm no. [8191016] page 346, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁶¹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 610, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Isham was unable to sign his name so he used an "X". The clerk Richard Epps wrote his name as Isham Hawkins Sr. He was not known to have a son named Isham but did have a grandson named Isham in the area.

⁶² Churchill G. Chamberlayne, *The Vestry Book and Register of Bristol Parish, Virginia, 1720-1789* (1898; reprint, Greenville, South Carolina: Southern Historical Press, Inc., 1994), 317. The John Hawkinses of Prince George and Dinwiddie Counties do not appear to be related to the John Hawkins family of Halifax County.

⁶³ *Dinwiddie County, Virginia, Property Tax Lists, 1782-1790*, microfilm no. [0029294] 1783 list, page 47, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. John Hawkins and Phil Hawkins lived nearby.

⁶⁴ *Dinwiddie County, Virginia, Property Tax Lists, 1782-1790*, microfilm no. [0029294] 1789 list, page 6, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Thomas Hawkins was living in the same household. Thomas was also in his household through tax year 1805. A John Hawkins lived nearby.

⁶⁵ *Dinwiddie County, Virginia, Property Tax Lists, 1782-1799*, microfilm no. [7898135] 1796 list, page 5, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Thomas Hawkins was living in the same household.

⁶⁶ *Dinwiddie County, Virginia, Property Tax Lists, 1782-1799*, microfilm no. [7898135] 1798 list, page 7, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.

⁶⁷ *Dinwiddie County, Virginia, Property Tax Lists, 1782-1799*, microfilm no. [7898135] 1799 list, page 6, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.

⁶⁸ *Dinwiddie County, Virginia, Property Tax Lists, 1782-1799*, microfilm no. [7894513] 1805 list, page 9, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.

The 1810 Census provides direct evidence of the coexistence of both Ishams. One Isham was in Halifax County^[69] and the other Isham was in Dinwiddie County.^[70] The Virginia Isham was deceased by 1811.^[71] A study of the estimated ages from all the available documents on both Ishams shows that the North Carolina Isham was probably about 12 years younger than the Virginia Isham. It is clear from the records that there were two contemporary Isham Hawkins living about 40 miles apart.

The North Carolina Isham² was a witness of a land sale from William Park of Edgecombe to Joseph and Moses Parke of Bute County on 14 Jan 1777.^[72] He also witnessed a sale between brothers-in-law Charles Roan of Orange County, North Carolina and Jesse Roan for 75 acres on Marsh Swamp dated 6 Jan 1781.^[73]

Isham briefly relocated to Warren County, North Carolina by 1781.^[74] He was there for the 1784 North Carolina Census with 1 male between ages 21-60, 3 males under 21 or over 60, 3 females, and 4 slaves.^[75] He showed up in other tax lists in Warren County through 1788.^[76] That did not stop him from doing land transactions in Halifax County. He purchased 100 acres on the north side of Brewers Branch adjoining Tatum from brother-in-law John Roan and wife Rachel in Feb 1785.^[77] Isham and wife Amy sold to William Edmonson 80 acres on the north side of Brewers

⁶⁹ Ancestry.com U.S., *1810 Census Halifax County, North Carolina*, Isham Hawkins family (National Archives: Washington, District of Columbia), microfilm Roll 38, page 105 image 00188. Household includes 1 male 45 years and older and 7 other persons.

⁷⁰ Ancestry.com U.S., *1810 Census Dinwiddie County, Virginia*, Isham Hawkins family (National Archives: Washington, District of Columbia), microfilm Roll 67, page 79 image 00094. Household includes 1 male 45 years and older and 11 other persons. None of the 1790 and 1800 Censuses for Virginia are currently available.

⁷¹ Thomas P. Hughes, Jr and Jewel B. Standefer, *Land Records Dinwiddie County, Virginia, 1752-1820* (Memphis, Tennessee: privately printed, 1973), 94. Isham was personally taxed on 100 acres from 1788 to 1810. In 1811, his estate was being taxed for the 100 acres. A John Hawkins may have previously owned this 100 acres of land.

⁷² *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 14, 1778-1783*, microfilm no. [7547223] pages 104-105, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Isham signed with an "H".

⁷³ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 14, 1778-1783*, microfilm no. [7547223] pages 487-488, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Charles had previously lived on this property. He received this property by will of his father William Roan.

⁷⁴ David B. Gammon, *Tax Lists Warren County, North Carolina Vol. 1, 1779-1790* (Raleigh, North Carolina: no place: privately printed, 1994), 20.

⁷⁵ Alvaretta K. Register, *State Census of North Carolina, 1784-1787* (1971; reprint, Baltimore, Maryland: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1993), 167.

⁷⁶ David B. Gammon, *Tax Lists Warren County, North Carolina Vol. 1, 1779-1790* (Raleigh, North Carolina: no place: privately printed, 1994), 80. Isham was taxed on 350 acres. Isham was in the same tax district as Burwell Davis. Isham's daughter Martha married Burwell Davis.

⁷⁷ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 15, 1782-1784*, microfilm no. [7547223] page 425, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. He was of Warren County. The published abstract for this transaction inaccurately reports Isham as the seller of the property.

Branch adjoining Henry Mason dated 23 Jan 1788.^[78] He purchased from Elkanah Green 100 acres adjoining John Green, the Jeneto Branch, and the road on 17 Jan 1789.^[79]

He was found in Halifax County in the 1790 Census. There were 2 males 16 and over, 2 males under 16, 3 females, and 6 slaves in the household.^[80] Isham and wife Amy sold to Littleberry Green 100 acres on Jentows Meadow adjoining John Green dated 27 Oct 1790.^[81] On 16 Nov 1793, Isham purchased from George Morris and William Morris 40 acres on Neds Branch adjoining William Green and John Watts.^[82] Isham purchased 244 acres on the north side of Jennetts Branch from William Reddin, John Reddin, and John Martin all of Wilkes County, North Carolina on 12 Feb 1794.^[83] John Wood sold 18 acres to Isham located next to property he owned and adjoining brother-in-law William Roane on 7 Mar 1799.^[84]

Isham purchased from Arrington Holt, William Hall and wife Mary, 211 acres on the south side of Marsh Swamp on 7 Dec 1802.^[85] On 10 May 1806, he purchased from son-in-law William Parker Jr. 173 acres adjoining Meadow Branch, said Isham, and Zachariah Smith.^[86] Isham purchased 200 acres adjoining William Parker Sr. and Maclin Bass from Littleberry Green on 4 Jan 1812.^[87]

He wrote his will on 26 Apr 1817 with sons John and Ambrose as executors. Some of his children were under 21 years old. Amy was given money in the will of her father William Roane on 8 Aug 1776.^[88]

Children from Isham Hawkins and wife Amy Roane were:

⁷⁸ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 17, 1788-1796*, microfilm no. [7537200] pages 86-87, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Brother-in-law John Roane and nephew Michael Roane were witnesses. He was of Halifax County when he made this sale.

⁷⁹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 17, 1788-1796*, microfilm no. [7537200] page 169, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. He was relocating near to brother Thomas. From a review of a 1795 map of Halifax County, the road mentioned may have followed a route similar to that of state highway 561 today.

⁸⁰ Bureau of the Census, *Heads of Families at the First Census of the United States, North Carolina 1790* (1908; reprint, Greenville, South Carolina: Southern Historical Press, 1994), 64.

⁸¹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 18, 1796-1802*, microfilm no. [7547224] page 313, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. His son William, son-in-law William Parker, and brother-in-law John Roan were witnesses.

⁸² *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 17, 1788-1796*, microfilm no. [7537200] pages 696-697, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁸³ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 18, 1796-1802*, microfilm no. [7547224] page 119, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁸⁴ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 18, 1796-1802*, microfilm no. [7547224] page 738, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. His sons William and Ambrose witnessed this document.

⁸⁵ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 19, 1802-1805*, microfilm no. [7547224] page 175, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁸⁶ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 20, 1805-1807*, microfilm no. [7547225] page 358, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁸⁷ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 22, 1811-1814*, microfilm no. [7547226] pages 289-290, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁸⁸ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 2, 1775-1781*, microfilm no. [4755346] pages 53-54, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

- M i. **William³ Hawkins** was born in 1771 in Halifax County and died before May 1808 in Halifax County. William married **Ann Harris**, daughter of **Isaac Harris** and **Elizabeth Watkins**, in 1795 in Halifax County. Ann was born in 1773 in Halifax County and died after 1820 in Halifax County. She married secondly **Thomas Kirby**, son of **Richard Kirby** and **Mary (---)**, in 1808 in Halifax County. Thomas was born about 1765 in Southampton County, Virginia and died after 1830 in Halifax County. Thomas was previously married to **Rebecca Bass**, daughter of **Henry Bass** and **Mrs. Henry Bass**, on 16 Jan 1787 in Southampton County.^[89] William was in the 1802 tax list of Halifax County.^[90] William's children were given a slave for their use in the will of his father dated 26 Apr 1817.^[91] Wife Ann was given a slave and money for the benefit of their son William Hawkins in the will of her father Isaac Harris dated 27 May 1807.^[92] By May 1808, she was about to marry Thomas Kirby and was giving gifts to her children.^[93] Thomas was raised in Southampton County. On 24 Feb 1780, he received land and other items in the will of father Richard Kirby.^[94] Thomas and first wife Rebecca along with brother Miles Kirby sold 675 acres of land near the Nottoway River along the main road to Carrys Bridge on 13 Dec 1787.^[95] Thomas had relocated to Halifax County by 18 Dec 1797 when he purchased 247 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres on the north side of Bear Swamp from David Hardy.^[96] Thomas Kirby could have married a third time. His wife in the 1820 Census of Halifax County was listed as over 45 years old. In the 1830 Census of Halifax County, his wife was between 40 and 49 years old.^[97] It is also possible that this person was a child that returned home, some other relative, or a domestic worker.
- F ii. **Martha³ Hawkins** was born in 1772 in Halifax County and died before 1840 in Warren County. Martha married **Burwell Davis**, son of **Peter Davis** and

⁸⁹ *Southampton County, Virginia, Marriage Register Part 1, 1750-1853*, microfilm no. [7579160] page 50, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁹⁰ *Halifax County, North Carolina, List of Taxables, 1784-1834, 1863*, microfilm no. [7834317] image 12, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. A number of his family members and relatives were on that tax list including his father Isham and brother Benjamin.

⁹¹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 610, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. He was deceased.

⁹² *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 476, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁹³ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 21, 1807-1811*, microfilm no. [7547225] page 287, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Ann gave gifts to Isham, Elizabeth, Wyatt, Nancy, Howell, and William.

⁹⁴ *Southampton County, Virginia, Wills, Vol. 3, 1772-1782*, microfilm no. [7676303], pages 316-317, [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.

⁹⁵ *Southampton County, Virginia, Deeds, Vol. 7, 1787-1793*, microfilm no. [8562419] pages 571-573, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

⁹⁶ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 18, 1796-1802*, microfilm no. [7547224] pages 246-247, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Thomas Kirby migrated to Halifax County about the same time as his brother-in-law Maclin Bass. Maclin Bass was a witness to the will of Isham Hawkins.

⁹⁷ Ancestry.com U.S., *1830 Census Halifax County, North Carolina*, Thomas Kirby family (National Archives: Washington, District of Columbia), series M19 microfilm Roll 121, page 312.

possibly **Amy** (---), about 1790 in Warren County. Burwell was born on 14 Aug 1756 in Granville County and died on 11 Aug 1846 in Warren County.^[98]

Martha married Burwell in Warren County shortly before her father relocated back to Halifax County. She was given furniture, money, and a slave in the will of her father dated 26 Apr 1817.^[99] A woman of the right age to be Martha appeared in the 1830 Census but not in the 1840 Census. Husband Burwell left a will on 27 Jun 1842 using sons Samuel, Edward, and John S. Davis as executors.^[100] Burwell lived to be 3 days short of his 90th birthday and died on 11 Aug 1846 in Warren County.

- M iii. **Ambrose^d Hawkins** was born in 1775 in Halifax County and died before 20 Jan 1843 in Halifax County.^[101] Ambrose married **Martha Bagby**, daughter of **Davis Bagby** and **Elizabeth** (---), on 6 Mar 1810 in Halifax County.^[102] Martha was born about 1780 in Halifax County and died after 1860 in Halifax County.^[103] On 20 May 1811, Ambrose received a gift from his father Isham of 244 acres on Thomas Brewer's former line adjoining the north side of Jenito Branch along with another 18 acres Isham had purchased from John Wood.^[104] On 3 Dec 1814, Ambrose purchased 77 acres on Mill Swamp from Arthur Cotton.^[105] Ambrose was mentioned frequently in the estate of William Parker Sr. in 1815.^[106] He was given land and animals in the will of his father dated 26 Apr 1817.^[107] He was an executor to the will of Jeremiah Cullum on 5 Jan 1817.^[108] On 5 Mar 1818, Ambrose bought 100 acres on Jenito Swamp from James Marshall.^[109] He purchased 100 acres on Marsh Swamp from John

⁹⁸ Warren County Heritage Committee, *Warren County, North Carolina Cemeteries Vol. II* (Norlina, North Carolina: privately printed, 2011), 19.

⁹⁹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 610, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹⁰⁰ *North Carolina Wills, Group Folder 5200.100.246, Burwell Davis, 1846* (North Carolina State Archives: Raleigh, North Carolina), no pagination.

¹⁰¹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 32, 1844-1850*, microfilm no. [7547229] pages 44-45, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹⁰² Terence Wyche, ed., *A Genealogy of the Black Hawkins' Family of Halifax County, North Carolina USA* 2nd Edition (Tillery, North Carolina: Heritage of Hope Publishers, 1995), 3.

¹⁰³ Ancestry.com U.S, *1860 Census Halifax County, North Carolina*, Patsy Hawkins family (National Archives: Washington, District of Columbia), page 460, [FHL] microfilm 803899.

¹⁰⁴ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 21, 1807-1811*, microfilm no. [7547225] page 555, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. The property from John Wood was purchased in May 1793.

¹⁰⁵ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 23, 1814-1823*, microfilm no. [7547226] page 103, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹⁰⁶ *North Carolina, Wills and Estate Files, 1663-1979, Halifax County, P, William Parker Estate 1815*, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹⁰⁷ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 610, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹⁰⁸ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 595, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹⁰⁹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 24, 1817-1822*, microfilm no. [7547226] pages 566-567, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. His brother John Hawkins and brother-in-law William Parker were witnesses.

Shepherd on 11 Nov 1818.^[110] Ambrose proved the will of brother-in-law Thomas Bagby Feb 1822.^[111] On 27 Jul 1821, Ambrose purchased from Thomas Burges 95 acres next to his own property and the road to Eatons Ferry.^[112] He was also the executor of will of Zacharias Smith dated 18 Dec 1822.^[113] Ambrose purchased 50 acres on Marsh Swamp from John Todd on 20 Mar 1823.^[114] His estate was divided on 20 Dec 1843 and 13 Jan 1844 with his wife Martha getting 170 acres.^[115] Wife Martha also received 116 acres from the estate of her father Davis Bagby on 10 Oct 1815^[116] which she and husband Ambrose sold to Warren Powell on 11 Dec 1815.^[117] She was lastly in the 1860 Census.

F iv. **Nancy³ Hawkins** was born in 1777 in Halifax County and died after 20 Jun 1834 probably in Illinois. Nancy married **Thomas Bagby**, son of **Davis Bagby** and **Elizabeth (---)**, in 1798 in Halifax County. Thomas was born in 1775 in Halifax County and died after 7 Jun 1821 in Halifax County.^[118] She was given a slave, animals, furniture, and money in the will of her father dated 26 Apr 1817.^[119] Thomas purchased lot 73 in the Town of Halifax from William Powell Jr. on 27 Aug 1819.^[120] He left a will dated 7 Jun 1821 with wife Nancy as an executrix. Nancy and her children appointed Ambrose Hawkins to handle their affairs in Halifax County on 20 Jun 1834.^[121] Nancy was living in St. Clair County, Illinois at that time.

M v. **John³ Hawkins** was born in 1780 in Halifax County and died after 1840. John married **Elizabeth Roane**, daughter of **Jesse Roane** and **Judith (---)**, about 1803 in Halifax County. Elizabeth was born in 1784 in Halifax County and was

¹¹⁰ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 24, 1817-1822*, microfilm no. [7547226] pages 335-336, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹¹¹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 665, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. His brother John also helped prove the will as well.

¹¹² *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 25, 1814-1823*, microfilm no. [7547227] page 406, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹¹³ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] pages 681-682, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. His brother John was a witness to the will.

¹¹⁴ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 26, 1823-1825*, microfilm no. [7547227] page 9, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹¹⁵ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 32, 1844-1850*, microfilm no. [7547229] pages 44-45, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹¹⁶ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 23, 1814-1823*, microfilm no. [7547226] pages 224-225, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹¹⁷ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 23, 1814-1823*, microfilm no. [7547226] pages 360-361, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹¹⁸ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 665, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹¹⁹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 610, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹²⁰ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 26, 1823-1825*, microfilm no. [7547227] page 10, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹²¹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 29, 1834-1837*, microfilm no. [7547228] page 334, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

dead by 1830 in Halifax County. John and his brother Ambrose were executor of the will of their father dated 26 Apr 1817.^[122] Wife Elizabeth was given part of the estate of her father Jesse Roane on 30 Mar 1794.^[123] John and wife Elizabeth sold 100 acres of land on the north side of Marsh Swamp to James Jones on 15 Oct 1810.^[124] John received 211 acres on the south side of Marsh Swamp and Cades Branch from father Isham in 1811.^[125] He purchased 178 acres on Jenetoe Branch from William M. West on 12 Oct 1811.^[126] With wife Elizabeth, he sold 150 acres to James Bishop on 12 Jun 1813.^[127] He sold 211 acres on the south side of Marsh Swamp near Cades Branch to Benjamin Hill on 1 Nov 1814.^[128] He purchased 50 acres on Jenato Creek and Meadow Branch from Raban Stigale in Mar 1816.^[129] He was given 86½ on Meadow Branch adjoining Zachariah Smith by father Isham dated 25 Feb 1817.^[130] On 23 Sep 1817, all his living siblings quitclaimed their right to two slaves from the estate of their father Isham so they could be the sole responsibility of John.^[131] John was in the 1840 Census^[132] but not in the 1850. Elizabeth may have been dead by 1830 because there was no adult female over 29 in the household in the 1830 Census.

- F vi. **Charity³ Hawkins** was born in 1781 in Halifax County. Charity married **William Parker Jr.**, son of **William Parker Sr.** and **Elizabeth (---)**, about 1803 in Halifax County. William was born about 1779 in Halifax County. Charity was given furniture, animals, and a slave in the will of her father dated 26 Apr 1817.^[133] William received a gift of 300 acres on Brewers Branch from

¹²² *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 610, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹²³ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] pages 227-228, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹²⁴ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 21, 1807-1811*, microfilm no. [7547225] page 491, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. This land was given to Elizabeth by her mother.

¹²⁵ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 22, 1811-1814*, microfilm no. [7547226] pages 62-63, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹²⁶ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 22, 1811-1814*, microfilm no. [7547226] pages 72-73, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹²⁷ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 22, 1811-1814*, microfilm no. [7547226] pages 324-325, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹²⁸ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 23, 1814-1823*, microfilm no. [7547226] page 65, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹²⁹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 23, 1814-1823*, microfilm no. [7547226] pages 352-353, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. William Parker was a witness.

¹³⁰ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 24, 1817-1822*, microfilm no. [7547226] page 171, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. His brother Ambrose and brother-in-law William Parker are witnesses.

¹³¹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 24, 1817-1822*, microfilm no. [7547226] page 227, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. The husbands of the married siblings signed for their spouses.

¹³² Ancestry.com U.S, *1840 Census Halifax County, North Carolina*, John Hawkins family (National Archives: Washington, District of Columbia), microfilm Roll 362, page 6.

¹³³ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 610, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

his father William on 19 Feb 1814.^[134] He was an executor in the will of his father on 13 Dec 1814.^[135] William sold brother-in-law Ambrose Hawkins 37 acres on Brewers Branch on 23 Apr 1817.^[136] William was not found in the 1820 Census in Halifax County.

- M vii. **Gabriel³ Hawkins** was born in 1783 in Halifax County and died after 19 Jun 1844 in Wilcox County, Alabama. Gabriel married **Angelina Ezell**, daughter of **Miol Ezell** and **Priscilla (---)**, on 9 Nov 1814 in Halifax County.^[137] Angelina was born 3 Sep 1796 in Virginia and died 2 Feb 1852 in Wilcox County. Gabriel was given furniture, animals, and a slave in the will of his father dated 26 Apr 1817.^[138] Gabriel granted powers of attorney to Matthew C. Turner^[139] on 16 Sep 1817 and John Carter on 19 Sep 1817.^[140] Shortly afterward, he relocated near to Suggsville, Wilcox, Alabama. He purchased several tracts of land beginning on 12 Sep 1835 at the Cahaba Office.^[141] He was in the 1840 Census in Wilcox County.^[142] Gabriel wrote his will dated 19 Jun 1844 in Wilcox County.^[143] The probate of his estate began on 21 Oct 1844.^[144] The court appearances by his administrator became quite frequent after the death of his wife beginning 5 Feb 1852.^[145] Angelina was in the 1850 Census.^[146]

¹³⁴ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 22, 1811-1814*, microfilm no. [7547226] pages 415-416, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. A unnamed Hawkins family owned property next door to this property.

¹³⁵ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] pages 560-562, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Brothers-in-law John Hawkins and Davis Bagby were neighbors.

¹³⁶ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 24, 1817-1822*, microfilm no. [7547226] page 115, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. His brother-in-law John Hawkins and relative Thomas Kirby were witnesses.

¹³⁷ Billy Randolph., "Marriages and Obituaries from the New Orleans Christian Advocate" *The Genie*, Vol. 5 (April 1971) (ARK-LA-TEX Genealogical Association: Shreveport, Louisiana) 16. This record provides birth, death, and marriage dates plus the name of her parents.

¹³⁸ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 610, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.

¹³⁹ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 24, 1817-1822*, microfilm no. [7547226] pages 206-207, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. His brother-in-law Thomas Kirby was a witness.

¹⁴⁰ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 24, 1817-1822*, microfilm no. [7547226] page 201, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. His brother-in-law Thomas Kirby was a witness.

¹⁴¹ United States, Bureau of Land Management, *Alabama, Homestead and Cash Entry Patents Pre-1908* (Provo, Utah: Ancestry.com, 1997), Document Number 13307.

¹⁴² Ancestry.com U.S, *1840 Census Wilcox County, Alabama*, Gabriel Hawkins family (National Archives: Washington, District of Columbia), Roll 16, page 312, [FHL] microfilm 0002335.

¹⁴³ Ancestry.com U.S, *Alabama, Wills and Probate Records, 1753-1999*, Vol. 1, pages 419-422 (Provo, Utah: Ancestry.com, 2015)

¹⁴⁴ *Wilcox County, Alabama, Court Minutes, Vol. 4, 1842-1849*, microfilm no. [7651677] page 448, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Wife Angelina was the initial administratrix and later their son Richard became the administrator.

¹⁴⁵ *Wilcox County, Alabama, Court Minutes, Vol. 7, 1849-1856*, microfilm no. [7651678] page 566, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. Some of the provisions of the will could only be administered after the death of wife Angelina. By that time, two of Gabriel's children had passed away and the provisions called for their surviving minor grandchildren to be the beneficiaries. It took quite a number of years for all grandchildren to receive their inheritances.

- F viii. **Mary³ Hawkins** was born in 1787 in Halifax County and died after 23 Sep 1817.^[147] She was given furniture and a slave in the will of her father dated 26 Apr 1817.^[148]

¹⁴⁶ Ancestry.com U.S, *1850 Census Wilcox County, Alabama*, Angeline Hawkins family (National Archives: Washington, District of Columbia), microfilm Roll M432_16, page 362B, image 36.

¹⁴⁷ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deeds, Vol. 24, 1817-1822*, microfilm no. [7547226] page 227, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City. She was relinquishing her right to two slaves from her father's estate to brother John Hawkins.

¹⁴⁸ *Halifax County, North Carolina, Wills, Vol. 3, 1781-1824*, microfilm no. [4755347] page 610, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City.