JOHN and MILDRED WHITTEN WANSLEY

of Albemarle County, Virginia and Elbert County, Georgia

and their children

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Dedicated to the memory of Joan Horsley Gilbert

for her formidable skills as a Wansley researcher, undaunted by family tradition,

her vibrant spirit,

and her valued friendship.

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Acknowledgements and Comments

For many family researchers Frank N. Wansley's *From Rome to Ruckersville — Our Wansley History* was our primer. Frank Wansley lovingly saved family traditions and histories in Elbert County, Georgia and adjoining areas. He generously noted contributions by family members. His family history is a "tossed salad genealogy" since he did not expressly detail how the branches of the family were connected. Frank Wansley knew those answers; however, the rest of us were left in the dark to sort out the possibilities based on primary documents. Later descendants who contributed to Frank N. Wansley's book are generally accurate; however, sources were not cited.

The latest census records that Frank N. Wansley could have accessed would have been the 1900 census, available in 1972. However, there is no evidence he used the any census records. Frank N. Wansley did cursory research in Elbert County, Georgia probate records and marriage records primarily for John Wansley, Sr. and Thomas Wansley, son of John Wansley, Sr. Additional primary sources included *Records of the Church of Christ at Vans Creek* in Elbert County, Georgia, and John Wansley's application for a Revolutionary War pension.

Frank N. Wansley, Doris Steed Smith [Mrs. Wray Smith] and Noel Steed blithely accepted and promoted the fantasy that Amelia Barber, alleged wife of John Wansley, Sr., was a daughter of Patrick Barber of New York and New Jersey. These researchers used the fallacious argument that the absence of documentation for Amelia Barber proved she existed. This assertion continues to spread virally over the internet, totally resistant to any attempts to refute. From Rome to Ruckersville — Our Wansley History by Frank N. Wansley should be used with considerable caution as a resource.

While living in Albemarle County, Virginia, John and Mildred Wansley owned only household goods and livestock and lived in a crude slab cabin; they owned no real estate. Later researchers misread or misinterpreted John Wansley's sale of personal property to Nathaniel Wansley in 1799. They inflated the sale of plantation equipment into a grandiose estate, even including "silver," a misinterpretation of "eutenseals" [utensils]. In Georgia John and Mildred Wansley were relatively prosperous. When John Wansley died in 1835, he left an estate valued over \$2000. For a man of limited socioeconomic status and education, John Wansley, Sr. left a relatively well documented life in Louisa and Albemarle County, Virginia in tax rolls, lawsuits and one personal property transaction. Georgia real estate transactions, Revolutionary War pension application, and extensive probate records further document the lives of John Wansley, Sr. and Mildred Whitten.

Recently Joan Horsley, a descendant of Martha [Patsy] Wansley and Benjamin Davis, published *Mildred 'Milly' Wansley Wife of John Wansley of Albemarle County, Virginia and Elbert County, Georgia [Previously known as Amelia Barber] Fictions and Facts in Wansley Family Genealogies.* Joan Horsley was an insightful historian of the Wansley and Davis families. Her original research discovered tax records for John Wansley, Sr. and several of his sons in Albemarle County, Virginia beginning in 1782. Joan Horsley insightfully pursued the lead connecting Walter Goldsmith with William Wansley, a

soldier in the French and Indian War, and William Wansley's heir-at-law, John Wansley, Sr. Joan Horsley, with assistance of researchers at Library of Virginia in Richmond, found extensive Albemarle County Chancery Court Records in two suits: Walter Goldsmith vs. John Dowell, Sr., subsequently continued as Walter Goldsmith vs. John Dowell, Sr. heirs. Multiple depositions documented Walter Goldsmith's social connections with John and Mildred Wansley, their son, William Wansley, their neighbors and acquaintances in Albemarle County, Virginia and John Dowell, Sr. and Dowell's children and heirs-at-law. Joan Horsley essay included in Appendix B thoughtfully explored the fictions about Amelia Barber and proposed insightful answers based on primary sources. Joan Horsley also persuasively reasoned that Mildred [Milly, Millie] Whitten was the only wife of John Wansley, Sr.

Documentation for the children of John Wansley and Millie Wansley varies considerably. Sarah Wansley Beck, Reuben Wansley, Nathaniel Wansley and Thomas Wansley, Sr. left relatively extensive records. The contemporary references for the other children are far more limited.

The surviving documents suggest our ancestors were unusually litigious; however, documentary bias preserves court records such as wills, lawsuits and probate records. Citizens who owned no property, paid their debts and were not involved in lawsuits tend to leave far fewer documents.

Every "complete" genealogy is not an ending but a beginning that invites future researchers to add their knowledge and resources. I invite you to continue discoveries about our Wansley family.

Jim B. Evans Dallas, Texas October 2016

Wansleys in Colonial Virginia

Jim B. Evans and Joan Horsley

The earliest documented Wansley in Colonial Virginia is the 1674 land patent for John Hulme who brought ten people to New Kent County including John Wansley.

To all &c whereas &c now know you that I William Berkeley Kin⁹ &c Grant & Give unto Jn^o Hume 523 acres of Land in New Kent Co^{ty} on ye N. E. side of Malapanie [Matapanie]

River Beginning at a marked Ash upon Masticock Swamp from thence S [illegible] Deg [illegible]

for a mark^t Red oak, thence E 100 poles to the head of a branch of the Sd Swamp to a marked Spanish oak thence [illegible] 15 Deg 240 poles to a marked Red oake & thence down

W 274 poles to a white oake upon the rim of Posticock [Pesticock] & from thence down the

Sd Swamp S 45 Deg W 240 poles another marked white oake angle run of ye Sd swamp

from thence S 55 Deg East 200 poles to a marked Ash angle aforesaid Masticock Swamp from thence up the Sd swamp to the place it began, the Sd Land being Due to ye Sd Hume by transportation of ten persons into this Collonie Johannie H to be held &c [illegible] & probive [?] & Sale this 7th Apr 1674 Josias Hingstone, Ja. Elliott Joane Fardle Jn° Blake Rich^d Barnard Jn° Wansley Eliz Badimore Rob^t Torne [Toone] W^m Cox Sam^l Ridley

[Virginia Land Patents, No. 6, p. 608. Patent for John Hume.]

After this 1674 grant Wansley references in Colonial Virginia are as rare as hens' teeth until William Wansley's service n the French and Indian War in 1757-1758. In 1780, Walter Goldsmith filed an affidavit in Louisa County, Virginia proving William Wansley's service. Since William Wansley had died; John Wansley was his heir-at-law.

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A Copy Test John Nelson Clk

Assigned to Robert Thomson assignee of William Wansley Warrant for 50 acres this [illegible] February 1780" [Virginia State Land Office Old Military and Importation and Warrants, Land Bounty Certificates for French and Indian War.] [Bockstruck, *Virginia's Colonial Soldiers*, p. 256.]

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Based on the Proclamation of the Act of 1763, privates serving in the frontier defense during the French and Indian War received 50 acres. According to Davis, William Wansley received 100 acres, consistent with 50 acres for each term of service.

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[verso] Louisa Cty Feby the 17th 1780 I do hereby assign all my right & Title to the within Certificate to Robt Thomson of sd County as Witness my Hand the Day & Date above mentioned. Wm + Wansley; Test Rodes Thomson" [Little, *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, Vol. 38, No. 3, August 2000, p. 291.] [**NOTE:** In this printed transcription William Wansley signed the assignment; however, the 16 February 1780 affidavit stated William Wansley had died and John Wansley was his heir-at-law.]

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02 March 1780, "LAND-OFFICE WARRANT, No. 560
To the principal Surveyor of any County within the Commonwealth of Virginia.
This shall be your WARRANT to survey and lay off in one or more Surveys for Robert Thompson Assignee of William Wansley his Heirs or Assigns, the quantity of fifty Acres of Land, due unto the said Thompson for Military service performed by the said Wansley a Soldier in the late War between Great Britain and France, according to the terms of the King of Great Britain Proclamation of 1763. A Certificate of which received into the Land Office. GIVEN under my Hand, and the Seal of the said Office, on this Second Day of March in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty [signed] S Carr" [Virginia State Land Office Old Military and Importation Warrants"

John Wansley, Sr. [1738-1835], heir-at-law of William Wansley, was born 1738 in Hanover County, probably in the area that became Louisa County when that county was formed in 1742. The first known document for John Wansley, Sr., dated 23 September 1760, concerns a suit of David Cosby versus John Wansley in Louisa County, Virginia for an extension in time to settle a dispute. [Louisa County, Virginia Court Order Book 1760-1764 as recorded in Bell, Louisa County Records You Probably Never Saw]

Walter Goldsmith and John Wansley, Sr. were closely associated in Albemarle County. Before moving to Albemarle County, Virginia, both had lived in Louisa County. John Wansley, Sr. was a tenant on land in Albemarle County that Walter Goldsmith purchased from John Dowell, Sr. The dispute over title to the land began ca 1780 and continued until at least 1805. Walter Goldsmith versus John Dowell, Sr. began during Dowell's lifetime and continued as Walter Goldsmith versus John Dowell, Sr. heirs. At one point Walter Goldsmith considered bequeathing this disputed land to John Wansley, Sr. "if he behaved himself." John Wansley, Sr. and his family moved from Albemarle County, Virginia to Elbert County, Georgia ca 1799-1800. Walter Goldsmith died ca 1806 or later, presumably in Virginia.

NOTE: Joan Horsley Gilbert pursued the Wansley-Goldsmith connection. She discovered multiple Wansley depositions related to Walter Goldsmith's dispute with John Dowell, Sr. and heirs of John Dowell in Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court.

Bell, John C. [compiler]. Louisa County Records You Probably Never Saw of 18th Century Virginia. Nashville, Tennessee: John C. Bell, 1983.

Goldsmith, Walter versus John Dowell, Sr. *Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records.* Case ID 1796-006

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Nugent, Nell Marion. [Claudia B. Grundman, index] Cavaliers and Pioneers: Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents and Grants, Vol. II: 1666-1695. Richmond, Virginia: Virginia State Library, 1977.

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CHAPTER 1: JOHN WANSLEY [WANSLOW], SR. and MILDRED [MILLY] WHITTEN Jim B. Evans and Joan Horsley

John Wansley [Wanslow], Sr. was born in 1738 in Louisa County, Virginia, based on his application for a Revolutionary War pension in 1833 when he was 94. Since Louisa County was not formed from Hanover County until 1742, his birthplace was presumably the portion of Hanover County that subsequently became Louisa County. His parents are unknown. Mildred Wansley in a deposition dated 03 October 1798 referred to Louisa County as "down Home" suggesting that she was from Louisa County. Documents use Wansley and Wanslow interchangeably, even in the same document.

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- 23 Sep 1760 Louisa County, Virginia Court Order [Minute] Book 1760-1764 included the following notation, "David Cosby vs **Jno Wansley** Imparlance." [p. 5.] [**NOTE:** Imparlance is an extension of time to a party in a lawsuit to settle a dispute amicably.] [Louisa County, Virginia Court Order Book 1760-1764 as recorded in Bell, Louisa County Records You Probably Never Saw]
- 23 Jun 1761 David Cosby won a judgment against **John Wansley** for costs. [Louisa County, Virginia Court Order Book 1760-1764, as recorded in Bell, Louisa County Records You Probably Never Saw, p. 15.]
- 13 Jul 1762 William Trice was ordered to pay **John Wansley** for one day [for coming 20 miles and returning]. [Louisa County, Virginia Court Order Book 1760-1764 as recorded in Bell, Louisa County Records You Probably Never Saw, p. 41.]
- 11 Apr 1764 The case of Robert Anderson vs **John Wansley** for a debt was dismissed. [Louisa County, Virginia Court Order Book 1760-1764 as recorded in Bell, Louisa County Records You Probably Never Saw, p. 82.]

John Wansley's wife was Mildred [Milly or Millie]; her last name was probably Whitten. The date of their marriage is unknown. St. George Temple Records, Washington County, Utah named deceased "Millie Whitin" born in the United States with proxy baptism and confirmation on 16 November 1881 by Annie Elmer Smith, friend. [St. George Temple, Utah, pp. 16-7, #246.] On the 17 November 1881, a proxy baptism and

confirmation for **Millie Wanslee** was performed by Sarah Ann Arterbury Church. [#258, pp. 16-7.] Also on 08 November 1881, **Millie Wansley**, born in United States, had a proxy baptism and confirmation by Lydia Goldwaithe Knight, friend. [pp. 20-1, #327.]

On 03 October 1798, **Mildred Wansley** was deposed in suit of Walter Goldsmith vs. John Dowell heirs; she discussed John Dowell, Sr. having paid Walter Goldsmith £90 for land in February 1780. This is the earliest documentation for **Mildred Wansley**. [Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records, Goldsmith vs. Dowell, Case ID 1796-006]

Records of the Church of Christ at Vans Creek in Elbert County included at least three references to Milly Wanslow. The church minutes for 22 October 1801 reported, "Met at the meeting house opened a door, and received by experience Mary Ginnings, John Craft Milly Wanslow, Mary Davis, Adam Gaar and Ann Underwood." According to minutes on 30 May 1802, "Met at Bro. John Jones opened a door for the reception of members and received by experience Sally Shackleford, Milly Wanslow, Patsy Moore, Hannah McGowen and Charity a black woman belonging to Thomas Gregg." These references are consistent with two different women named Milly Wanslow. On 07 August 1802, Vans Creek Church excommunicated Ann McCossin, Patsy McCossin and "Milly Jenkins, formerly Milly Wanslow . . . for withdrawing themselves from us and Joining the Methodist." This August record indicated one of these women was Milly Wansley Jenkins. The other Milly Wanslow was the wife of John Wanslow, Sr.

On 01 September 1810, **John Wansley**, **Sr**. and his wife, **Milley Wansley**, of Elbert County, Georgia, conveyed 202½ acres in Putnam County, Georgia to William Weeks, Betsey Weeks, Nancy Weeks, James Weeks, Poleman Weeks and Adeline Weeks, heirs of John Weeks, all of Putnam County, Georgia, Lot 287 in Putnam County, for \$1600. Witnesses were George Stovall, Henry Shackelford and James Shackelford, J. P. **John** and **Milley Wansley** each signed the deed with their mark. [*Putnam County, Georgia Deeds, Vol. B, pp.* 156-7.]

On 09 January 1829, **Milly Wansley** died. She was presumably the wife of John Wansley, Sr. [Thomas Wansley Family Record in Frank N. Wansley, p. 41.]

Two of John Wansley's grandchildren had "Whitten" as a middle name. Nathaniel Whitten Wansley [27 August 1797-1887] was a son of Nathan Wansley. Frank N. Wansley stated Mildred W. Beck's middle name was Whitten; his source is unknown. [Wansley, *Our Wansley Family*, p. 109.]

John Wanslow's 1835 will named the following children: Nancy Young, Elizabeth Eliott, Sally Beck, Nathan Wanslow, John Wanslow, Reuben Wanslow, Milly Jenkins, Patsy Davis, Thomas Wanslow and Larkin Wanslow. The Wansley children were born in Virginia, either in Louisa or Albemarle County. **John** and **Mildred Wansley** also had a son named William who stated his father was **John Wansley** in a 17 November 1798 deposition, part of the long-standing dispute over sale of land between Walter Goldsmith and John Dowell, Sr. in Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records, Goldsmith vs. Dowell, Case ID 1796-006.] Since William Wansley was not named an heir in the will of **John Wansley, Sr.**, he must have died before his father and without any heirs-at-law.

Frank N. Wansley mentions Matilda Wansley as a putative daughter of **John Wansley, Sr.**; she allegedly married Lucas Holder of Virginia; they later moved to Kentucky. John Wansley's will does not mention Matilda Holder as an heir or any descendants. No documents confirm the existence of Matilda Wansley.

John Wansley, Sr., Mildred Whitten Wansley, William Wansley, Sarah Wansley Beck, Thomas Wansley, Nathan Wansley, Reuben Wansley, John Wansley, Jr., Elizabeth Wansley Elliott and Larkin Wansley all signed documents with their mark. Currently there are no known documents that Nancy Wansley Young, Milly Wansley Jenkins and Martha Wansley Davis signed.

- 06 Mar 1765 Sarah Wansley, daughter of **John** and **Mildred Wansley** was born in Virginia. [**NOTE**: Date of birth is from a family record included with National Archives rejected application for Sarah Wansley Beck as widow of alleged Revolutionary War Soldier.]
- ca 1768 Nancy Wansley, daughter of **John** and **Mildred Wansley** was born in Virginia. John Wansley assented to the marriage. Her marriage bond on 14 November 1789, stated she was over 21 years old indicating she was born 1768 or before.
- ca 1768 Elizabeth Wansley, daughter of **John** and **Mildred Wansley**, was born in Virginia. Her approximate date of birth is based on marriage bond in Albemarle County, Virginia on 28 August 1790. [Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages Bonds, p. 58.; Vogt, Vol. II, p. 669.]
- ca 1768 Assuming tax roll for 1789 indicated William Wansley had reached majority, he was born ca 1768. In a 17 November 1798 deposition in Albemarle County, Virginia, William Wansley referred to his father, **John Wansley**. [Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records, Goldsmith vs. John Dowell heirs. Case ID 1801-004.]

- Ca 1769 Nathaniel [Nathan] Wansley was born in Virginia, a son of **John** and **Mildred Wansley**. Date of birth is based on first listing on tax rolls of Albemarle County, Virginia on 02 June 1790 when he was presumably 21. On 28 August 1780, Nathan Wansley was a bondsman for the marriage of Elizabeth Wansley and Abraham Elliot in Albemarle County, Virginia.
- 22 Apr 1773 and 19 June 1773, "Two orders to arrest **John Wansley** at suit of Richard Harvie & Co., 19 June and 22 April" [Albemarle County, Virginia Court Papers 1744-1783, p. 46.]
- ca 1774 Mildred [Milly] Wansley, a daughter of **John** and **Mildred Wansley**, was born in Albemarle County, Virginia.
- John Wansley, Jr. was born in Virginia, a son of **John** and **Mildred Wansley**, was born in Albemarle County, Virginia. John Wansley, Jr. was first listed on Albemarle County, Virginia tax rolls in 1795, suggesting he had reached majority.
- Reuben Wansley, a son of **John** and **Mildred Wansley**, was born in Albemarle County, Virginia. [1850 census] According to the 1860 census, Reuben Wansley was born ca 1779-80. According to tombstone in the Wansley Cemetery, Elbert County, Georgia, Reuben T. Wansley, Sr. was born in Albemarle County, Virginia in 1774 and his wife, Elizabeth Cunningham Wansley was born in Virginia, 1784. [**NOTE:** More than likely Frank N. Wansley erected the tombstones in the 20th century.] Reuben Wansley was first recorded on Albemarle County, Virginia tax roll in 1795, indicating he was born ca 1774.
- ca 1775 Nathaniel [Nathan] Wansley was born ca 1775 in Albemarle County, Virginia, a son of **John** and **Mildred Wansley**.

Revolutionary War Reference

In a 16 April 1801 deposition Jason Bowcock [Bocock] stated that in "The year that Burgunns troops Was Removed from the Barracks of Albemarle, **John Wansley** Rented a plantation of mine that year, I happened to be at my plantation one day, and the S^d **John Wansley** and an old man Whome they Cal^d Gulesmith [sic, Goldsmith] had Just Returned home, and was a Breakfast – they told me they had been to purchase a pice [sic] or a Track of Land of one John Dowell to Which they was to give for the S^d Land 8000 wait [sic] of Tobacco 2000 Wait [sic] to be paid annually till the 8000 was discharg^d." [Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records, Goldsmith vs. John Dowell heirs, Case ID 1801-004.]

Revolutionary War Service

John Wansley, Sr. served as a private in the Revolutionary War in Virginia. His military service record is sketchy, as reported in his 1833

pension application when he was 94. No surviving contemporary witnesses could corroborate his military service during the American Revolution.

- 1776 or 1777 According to **John Wansley's** pension application, "he was drafted into the Service of the United States as a private for Three months on the -----day of ----- in the year Seventeen hundred and Seventy Six [or Seven, word uncertain] the day and month not recollected, under Captain Harris in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Lewis, that he resided in Albemarle County State of Virginia all the time when he was drafted into said Service, joined the Regiment in Fluvannah [sic, Fluvanna] County State of Virginia, Marched from thence to York Town in said State of Virginia, from York town to Hampton on the sea board, where he was discharged after having Served three months as a private in the United States Service during the Revolutionary War." [Revolutionary War Pension Application File S.32045, National Archives.]
- John Wansley "[w]as drafted into the Service of the United States for Three Months as a private, in the county of Albemarle State of Virginia, on the ----- day of ----- Seventeen hundred and Eighty on the day and month he does not recollect distinctly, under Captain William Dawton in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel ----- joined his regiment in Albemarle County, Marched from thence to Richmond State of Virginia where he remained for some time from Richmond to a place called Holts forge, he cannot distinctly recollect the other Marchings during this Service of the United States, but after having served three months as a private was discharged from the service of the United States, but does not recollect the date when he was discharged." [Revolutionary War Pension Application File S.32045, NARA.]
- John Wansley "was also drafted in to the Service of the United States for 1781 three Months as a private in the County of Albemarle State of Virginia, on the ---- day of ---- Seventeen hundred and Eighty One the day and month he does not recollect, under Captain Henderson, in the Regiment Commanded by a Colonel whose name he cannot now recollect, Marched from Albemarle County to Richmond Virginia, from Richmond to Cabbin [sic] point, from thence Marched about twenty five or thirty miles to a small Town Where he was discharged after having served three months as a private in the Service of the United States, but does not recollect the date when he was discharged, Making in all at the three different periods, Nine Months Service as a private during the Revolutionary War, that during his Service he served with the Militia and regulars but cannot describe them at this late date by name, General Nelson of the Militia and the Marquis de La Fayette of the Continentals he knew, who commanded the troops at the different periods where he served. That he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person, whose testimony he can

procure, who can testify to his Service during the Revolutionary War." [Revolutionary War Pension Application File S.32045, NARA.]

- ca 1781 Walter Goldsmith claimed he had a verbal agreement with John Dowell to purchase 200 acres of woodland in Albemarle County for 80 pounds current money or 8,000 pounds of tobacco to be paid within four years. Walter Goldsmith claimed John Dowell had received 80 pounds money for the land. This claim against John Dowell is undated. Goldsmith asserted he paid John Dowell 80£ in 1781. This bill asserts that John Dowell did not grant a title; in fact the sheriff acting for Dowell seized property for Goldsmith's failure to pay rent. John Wansley was also a tenant on the same property. Goldsmith's attorney was J. Breckinridge. [Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records, Goldsmith vs Dowell, Case ID 1796-006] [NOTE: Previously on 27 May 1773, James Coleman of Halifax County, Virginia sold John Dowell of Albemarle County 200 acres, located in Albemarle County. Consideration was £30 current money. The tract was adjacent to Thomas Walker, John Carr, William Martin and Thomas Dowell. Thomas Jones, John Harvie, John Walker were witnesses. [Sparacio, Ruth, Deed Abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia 1772-1776, pp. 36-7; original pages in deed book pp. 143-4.]
- 01 Mar 1781 Martha Patsy Wansley, a daughter of **John** and **Mildred Wansley**, was born in Albemarle County, Virginia. [**NOTE**: Date and place of birth are based on photograph of tombstone in Mount Hope Cemetery, Dahlonega, Lumpkin County, Georgia.]
- 10 Apr 1782 Tax Schedule B for Albemarle County, District 2, Virginia: Wansley, John: a proprietor with 1 free male in the household >21. Property: no slaves, 8 "N [neat] Cattle," and 2 horses. Tax was 2 shillings. [Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]
- ca 1782-5 Larkin Wansley was born in Albemarle County, Virginia, a son of **John** and **Mildred Wansley**. [**NOTE**: Approximate date of birth is based on 1850 and 1860 census for Elbert County, Georgia.]
- Tax Schedule B for Albemarle County, Virginia:

 Wansley, John: 1 free male > 21 years old. Property: 5 cattle and 2 horses. Tax was 15 shillings, 3 pence. [Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]
- 29 Apr 1783 Thomas Wansley, a son of **John** and **Mildred Wansley**, was born in Albemarle County, Virginia. [**NOTE**: Date of birth from photograph of tombstone in Beck-Wansley Cemetery, Elbert County, Georgia in Frank N. Wansley. Rowzee descendants of Thomas Wansley, erected this monument in 1973. p. 3.]
- Tax Schedule B for Albemarle County, Virginia:

 Wansley, John: 1 free male >21 years old. Property: 5 cattle and 2 horses. [Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]

- 11 Mar 1784 Albemarle County Road Orders on 11 March 1784 included the following: "Ordered that Ambrose Edwards be appointed Overseer of the road from the river to McCauleys and that he have for his gang Walter Carr, William Crenshaws hands, Abraham Darnold, **John Wansley**, Major Dowell, Robert Martin, John Jones, Martin Burruss, Richard Henderson, Thomas Henry, John Brockmans hands, Robert Dunning with his own and their male Labouring Titheables." [NOTE: Major Dowell was a son of John Dowell, Sr.] [Albemarle County Order Book, 1783-85, 11 March 1784, p. 123 as recorded in Albemarle County Road Orders, 1783-1816, p. 8.]
- 11 Aug 1786 Walter Goldsmith, **John Wansly** and Garland Carr posted bond of 2,800 pounds of tobacco, payable to John Dowell. The Chancery Court of Albemarle County granted an injunction to Walter Goldsmith and **John Wansley** "to stay proceedings at law on Judgment obtained in the Court by the above named John Dowell against the said Walter Goldsmith & **John Wansly** The condition of the above obligation therefore is such that if the above bound Walter Goldsmith & **John Wansley** & Garland Carr shall satisfy & pay to the said John Dowell -- All such Sum of Money Tobacco and Costs which are now due or shall become due on the Judgment aforesaid and shall also pay such Costs as shall be awarded against them -- in case the injunction shall be dissolved then the above obligation to be void otherwise to remain in force [signed] Walter Goldsmith [signed] Garland Carr" [Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records, Goldsmith vs. Dowell, Case ID 1796-006.]

John Dowell responded to Walter Goldsmith's claims concerning the alleged sale of property. According to John Dowel's response, there was an agreement to sell the property for 8,000 pounds of Crop tobacco; however, Walter Goldsmith failed to pay for the land. Also, Goldsmith would not pay for rental of the same land. This counterclaim does not mention **John Wansley**. [Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records, Walter Goldsmith vs. John Dowell, Case ID 1796-006.]

Lucy Beck stated in an affidavit that during the lifetime of her husband Andrew Beck [died 29 May 1781], "John Dowell happening at their our house [during the] life of her husband Andrew Beck who ask Dowell if **John Wansley** was to pay him for any part of the land that he sold unto Walter Goldsmith, that as **Wansley** lived on a pa[rt] if the said land he conjectioned [sic] he was to pay part of the Money. Dowell replied that he did not look to **Wansley** for any part of the Money But that he looked to Mr. Goldsmith only, that Goldsmith put **Wansley** there . . ." Lucy Beck made this affidavit 07 August 1788 as part of the case Goldsmith vs. Dowell. [Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records, Walter Goldsmith vs. John Dowell, Case ID 1796-006.]

- 19 Apr 1787 Tax Schedule B, Thomas Garth's District, Albemarle County; Wansley, John: Was chargeable with the taxes. Name of white male > 21 in household: John Wansley. The household had two white males > 16 and <21. Property: 2 horses and 7 cattle.

 The household of John Wansley's son-in-law, John Becks [sic], recorded on the same date, was presumably in the same neighborhood. [1787 Census of Virginia, Vol. 1, p. 145; Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]
- 08 May 1788 Tax Schedule B, Thomas Garth's District, Albemarle County, Virginia: **Wansley, John:** 2 males >16. Property: no slaves; 2 horses. [Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]
- 14 Aug 1788 Samuel Edwards filed an affidavit in Goldsmith vs. Dowell. In 1784, Edwards planned to purchase the land where Walter Goldsmith and John Wansley lived. Samuel Edwards contacted John Wansley who said that Wansley "did not want to purchase himself, but wished to keep possession for Two Years, after which the sd Wansley intended to move, either to the Southward or Kentucky . . ." [Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records, Walter Goldsmith vs. John Dowell, Case ID 1796-006.] Goldsmith vs. Dowell continued until March 1796 when the case was abated by the death of John Dowell, only to continue as Walter Goldsmith vs. John Dowell heirs.
- 11 Apr 1789 Tax Schedule B, Albemarle County, Virginia:

 Wansley, John: 2 males >16. Property: no slaves, 2 horses.

 Wansley, William: 1 male >16. No taxable property. William Wansley was recorded on the line before John Wansley. [Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]
- 14 Nov 1789 A bond was issued in Albemarle County, Virginia for the marriage of John Perry Patterson and Nancy Wansley, spinster. Micajah Taylor was a bondsman. Jos. Nicholas was a witness for the bond. **John Wansley** consented for his daughter's marriage. Outer page of marriage bond stated Nancy Wansley was over 21 according to John Perry Patterson and Micajah Taylor. [Vogt and Kethley, Vol. 2, p. 669.]
- In the first United States census, **John Wansley** was head of a household in Albemarle County, Virginia containing "10 white souls." He had one "other building."
- 28 Aug 1790 A bond was issued for the marriage of Abraham Elliot [Elliott] and Elizabeth Wansley in Albemarle County, Virginia. Nathan Wansley was a bondsman and witness, Joshua Nicholas. **John Wansley** consented for his daughter's marriage. Nathan Wansdsley [sic] and Walter Goldsmith witnessed this consent. [Vogt and Kethley, Vol. 2, p. 669.]

- 26 May 1790 Tax Schedule B, Thomas Garth's District, Albemarle County, Virginia: **Wansley, John:** 2 white males >16. Property: no slaves, 2 horses. [Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]
- 11 Apr 1791 Accounts of the estate of Samuel Carr with Garland Carr in Louisa County, Virginia named **John Wansly**, recorded 11 April 1791. This reference does not indicate whether **John Wansly** was a debtor or creditor. [Louisa County, Virginia Will Book 3, p. 380 and 386, transcribed in Chappelear, Abstracts of Louisa County, Virginia Will Books 1743-1801, pp. 105-6.] [NOTE: On 11 August 1786, Walter Goldsmith, **John Wansley** and Garland Carr posted bond of 2,800 pounds of tobacco, payable to John Dowell. [Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records, Walter Goldsmith vs. John Dowell, Case ID 1796-006.]
- 01 Jun 1791 Tax Schedule B, Albemarle County, Virginia:

 Wansley, John: 3 white males >16. Property: no slaves and 3 horses.
- 02 Jun 1791 Wansley, William: 1 white male >16. Property: no taxable property. [Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]
- 10 May 1792 Tax Schedule B, Fredericksburg Parish, Thomas Garth's District:
 Albemarle County, Virginia: Nathan Wansley was on tax record for
 Garth's District, Fredericksburg Parish, Albemarle County. [Albemarle
 County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]
- 29 May 1792 Tax Schedule B, Fredericksburg Parish, Thomas Garth's District:
 Albemarle County, Virginia:
 Wansley, John: 2 white males >16. Property: no slaves and 2 horses.
 Wansley, William: 1 male >16. No taxable property.
 [NOTE: William Wansley was recorded on line following John Wansley.]
- 15 Jun 1792 **John Wansley** was named on Albemarle County Road Orders: "David Clarkson is appointed Surveyor of the road from John McCauleys to Carrs ford with the following male labouring Tythes Viz David Clarkson, Charles Hammonds, Thomas Hammonds, John Clayton, **John Wansley**, Thomas Edwards, Jonathan Munday, Abraham Munday, Reuben Munday, Thomas Gilbert, Wm Hall, Murray Henry, Wm Taylor, Micajah Taylor, Richard Durretts & Ambrose Edwards." [*Albemarle County Order Book 1791-93*, 15 June 1792, p. 175, as recorded in *Albemarle County Road Orders*, 1783-1816, p. 22-3.] [**NOTE:** Micajah Taylor was a bondsman for the marriage of Nancy Wansley and John Perry Patterson.]
- 09 Jun 1793 Tax Schedule B, Albemarle County, Virginia:

 Wansley, John: 2 males >16. Property: no slaves and 4 horses.

 Wansley, Nathan: 1 male >16 and no personal property. [Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]

- 26 Jun 1794 Tax Schedule B, Thomas Garth's District, Albemarle County, Virginia: Wansley, John: 3 white males >16. Property: no slaves and 2 horses. Wansley, William: 1 male >16. No personal property. William Wansley was recorded on line after John Wansley. [Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]
- 22 Apr 1795 William Powell made a deed of trust to his son, Richard Powell, for 5 shillings. Witnesses were David Gillasby, Bassell [X, his mark] Glass, and **John [his mark X] Warnesley**. "At Albemarle June Court 1795 This Indenture was produced into Court and proved by the Oaths of David Gillaspy, Bassell Glass and **John Warnesley**, witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded Teste John Nicholas, CAC." [Albemarle County, Virginia Deeds Book 11, 1793-1795, pp. 397-9. Sparacio printed a transcript pp. 85-6.] **John Warnesley** might be **John Wansley**, **Sr**.
- 15 May 1795 Tax Schedule B, Thomas Garth's District, Albemarle County, Virginia: Wansley, John, Jr.: 1 male >16. No taxable personal property. Wansley, Reuben: 1 male >16. No taxable personal property. Wansley, John, Sr.: 1 male >16. Property: 2 horses. Wansley, William: 1 male >16. No taxable personal property.
- 25 Jul 1796 Tax Schedule B, Albemarle County, Virginia:
 Wansley, John, Jr.: 1 male >16. No taxable personal property.
 Wansley, William: 1 male >16. No taxable personal property.

 Wansley, John, Sr.: 1 male >16. Property: no slaves and 2 horses.
 [Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]
- 17 May 1797 Tax Schedule B, Albemarle County, Virginia:
 Wansley, John, Jr.: 1 horse.
 Wansley, William: No taxable personal property.
 Wansley, John, Sr.: 1 male >16. Property: no slaves and 2 horses.
 [Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]
- Tax Schedule B, Albemarle County, Virginia:
 Wansley, William: 1 male >16. No taxable personal property.
 Wansley, John Wansley, Jr.: 1 male >16. Property: no slaves and 1 horse. Tax was \$.12.

 Wansley, John, Sr.: 1 male >16. Property: no slaves and 4 horses.
 Tax: \$.16. [Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.]
- Tax Schedule B, Albemarle County, Virginia:
 Wansley, William: 1 male >16. No taxable property.
 Wansley, Reuben: 1 male >16. No taxable property.
 Wansley, John, Jr.: 1 male >16. Property: no slaves and 1 horse. Tax:
 \$0.12.

 Wansley, John, Sr.: 1 male >16. Property: no slaves and 6 horses.
 Tax: \$0.72.

1799 was the last year that **John Wansley, Sr.** was assessed taxes in Albemarle County. [*Albemarle County, Virginia Taxes, 1782-1799.*]

- O3 Oct 1798 **John Wansley** was deposed in the suit of Walter Goldsmith versus John Dowell, heirs on 03 October 1798. During the "Christmas Hollidays [sic] in the year 1780" John Dowell and Walter Goldsmith bargained for land in Albemarle County. **John Wansley** stated that Walter Goldsmith had paid John Dowell £90 pounds when the purchase price was £80 in the current money; an optional payment was 8,000 pounds of tobacco. John Dowell, Jr. questioned **John Wansley** about the offer to pay 2,000 pounds of tobacco to John Dowell, Sr. **John Wansley** stated, "I did not mean to pay neither my own debts nor Mr Goldsmiths it all happened in a company and was only a banter." [Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records, Goldsmith vs. Dowell, Case ID 1796-006.]
- O3 Oct 1798 **Mildred Wansley** was deposed in suit of Walter Goldsmith versus John Dowell heirs. **Mildred Wansley** stated "that in the year 1780 in the month of February Mr John Dowel the Father of the Defts came to her house and asked where Mr Goolsmith was she told him he was gone Down home and the said Dowel Said that he had called by to see Goolsmith for he was at my house yesterday and paid me Eighty or Ninety Pounds for the Land he has rather paid me over to the amount of ten Pounds and that he had called by to let him know he might have the change against he came up again."

Mildred Wansley was unaware of Goolsmith and **John Wansley** having purchased bacon from John Dowell. She was aware that Goolsmith briefly hired a Negro from John Dowell. **Mildred Wansley** did not know about John Wansley agreeing to use that place from John Dowel in 1785 or 1786. The price for the land was 8,000 weight of tobacco or 80 pounds currency. **Mildred Wansley** did not know about **John Wansley's** payment of 2,000 pounds of tobacco to John Dowel, Sr. [Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Court Records, Goldsmith vs. John Dowell heirs, Case ID 1801-004.]

O1 Feb 1799 John Wansley, Sr. sold personal property to Nathaniel Wansley, both from Albemarle County "for sundry good Causes but more especially for and in consideration of two hundred pound Current Money of Virginia." The property consisted of "six head of Horses Consisting of Maire Colts and horses eleven head of Horned Cattle eighteen head of Hogs five sheep and also all kitchen and Plantation Eutenseals [sic, utensils] & also three feather beds and furniture." John Wansley, Sr. signed with his mark. Witnesses were John D. Grymes and John Dalton. On 04 February 1799, John Wansley acknowledged this indenture in court. [Albemarle County, Virginia Deeds, Book 13, p. 46.]

According to *Final Revolutionary War Pension Payment Vouchers*, **John Wanslow** indicated "... he now resides in Elbert County & State of

Georgia and he resided there for space of about thirty four years past & previous thereto he resided in Albemarle County Virginia Sworn & Subscribed the 10th day of September 1834 before me Dilliard Herndon." The 1799 deed and voucher payment statement are consistent with John Wansley living in Albemarle County, Virginia until ca 1799-1800. According to tradition John Wansley, Sr. moved with his family to Big Coldwater Creek, Elbert County, Georgia about 1799.

- 09 Jun 1804 item 1: "Called for references. Took up the Case of Sister Elizabeth Wanslow a reference of last meeting. Sister Milly Wanslow came forward laid in an accusation against her viz. that of telling an untruth, and she was excommunicated for the same." [Records of Church of Christ Vans Creek, p. 50.] [NOTE: Elizabeth Wanslow is Elizabeth Cleveland, second wife of Nathan Wansley, rather than Elizabeth Cunningham Wansley, wife of Reuben Wansley. Reuben Wansley was on tax records of Albemarle County, Virginia until 1803.]
- In the 1805 Georgia Land Lottery **John Wanslee, Sr.**, of Elbert County, registration number 537, had one blank draw and one prize. The tract of land granted on 06 August 1806, was originally in Baldwin County, after 1807 in Putnam County. **John Wansley, Sr.** and his wife, **Milley Wansley**, sold this tract on 01 September 1810. [*Baldwin County, Georgia, District 2, Grant Book*, p. 388. Graham, Paul K., p. 36.] John Wanslee, Jr. had three blank draws and Nathan Wanslee, two blank draws. Both were residents of Elbert County. An act of the Georgia Legislature on 11 May 1803 authorized the 1805 land lottery. A free white married male with wife and/or legitimate children under 21, with one year's residency was entitled to two draws. How John Wanslee, Jr. obtained three draws is unknown. [Graham]
- Sep 1806 Polly Wansley died, presumably in Elbert County, Georgia. [Thomas Wansley Family Record in Frank N. Wansley, p. 41.] [NOTE: Her date of birth is unknown. She was a daughter of John and Milly Whitten Wansley.]
- 01 Sep 1810 **John Wansley, Sr.** and his wife, **Milley Wansley**, of Elbert County, conveyed 202½ acres in Putnam County, Georgia to William Weeks, Betsey Weeks, Nancy Weeks, James Weeks, Poleman Weeks and Adeline Weeks, heirs of John Weeks, all of Putnam County, Georgia, Lot 287 in Putnam County, for \$1600. Witnesses were George Stovall, Henry Shackelford and James Shackelford, J. P. **John** and **Milley Wansley** each signed the deed with their mark. [*Putnam County, Georgia Deeds, Vol. B, pp.* 156-7.]
- In the 1813 tax digest of Elbert County, **John Wansley, Sr.** owned 150 acres of land in Captain Roebuck's District on Big Coldwater Creek.

- 30 Oct 1825 **John Wansley, Sr.** was one of the Revolutionary War soldiers in Elbert County, Georgia who drew land in the 1825 Cherokee Land Lottery.
- In the land lottery of 1827, **John Wansley** had two draws, one of which was for 202½ acres on Forked Creek, Marion County, Georgia. [Muscogee Grant Book 9-10, p. 119, No. 68, District 10; plat in Surveyor-Generals Book IIII, p. 240; Cherokee Land Lottery, Containing A Numerical List Of The Names Of The Fortunate Drawers in Said Lottery, pp. 410-1; and Reprint of Official Register of Land Lottery of Georgia 1827, p. 36.]
- 18 Nov 1834 Governor Wilson Lumpkin issued a grant of 202½ acres in Muscogee County to "John Wanslow Sen RS [Revolutionary Soldier] of Blackwell District Elbert County, Georgia.] In 1835, Thomas Wansley, executor of the John Wansley, Sr. estate, sold the land in Marion County for \$52.00.
- 09 Jan 1829 **Milly Wansley**, wife of **John Wansley, Sr.** died 09 January 1829. [Thomas Wansley Family Record in Frank N. Wansley, p. 41.]
- United States Census for Elbert County:

 Wansley, John: 1 male 15-20 years old, 1 male 90-100 years old and 1 female 15-20 years old; also five female slaves, 3 <10 years, 1 slave 10-24 years, and 1 slave, 24-36 years.
- In 1832, John Wansley of 672nd Militia District, Harris County, Georgia received Lot 36, District 19, Section 4 in Cherokee County, Georgia, later Walker County. According to James F. Smith, this "John Wansley" was not described as a Revolutionary soldier or as "junior" or "senior." [Smith, p. 410.] This John Wansley might be a son of Nathan and Susannah Watts Wansley.
- 16 Feb 1833 **John Wansley's** slave, Hannah, joined Vans Creek Church in Elbert County. [Records of the Church of Christ at Vans Creek] Inventory of the estate of John Wansley, Sr. includes a slave named Hannah or Hannar. [Elbert County, Georgia Annual Returns 1835-1837, pp. 76-77.]
- 09 May 1833 **John Wanslow**, **Sr**. applied for a Revolutionary War pension. A Justice of the Inferior Court for Elbert County certified the applicant was unable to attend the court because of bodily infirmity and blindness. Asa Chandler, a clergyman, and William White, both residents of Elbert County, Georgia, certified "we believe him to be ninety four years of age; that he is reputed and believed, in the neighbourhood where he resides, to have been a soldier of the revolution." **John Wansley** received a pension at \$30 per year, retroactive to 04 March 1831, and received an initial payment of \$75. [Revolutionary War Pension Application. \$32045 NARA.]

11 Jan 1835 **John Wansley, Sr.** signed his will on 11 January 1835, and died 13 January 1835 in Elbert County, Georgia. He was buried in the Wansley Cemetery in Elbert County. His will named the following children as heirs: Nancy Young, Elizabeth Eliot, Sally Beck, Nathan Wanslow, John Wanslow, Reuben Wanslow, Milly Jenkins, Patsy Davis, Thomas Wanslow and Larkin Wanslow. The will included specific bequests to his granddaughter, Elizabeth Jenkins, of "a good bed, and a sheet and Counterpane, to be given her out of my household furniture." Executors were "my beloved son Thomas Wanslow William White & William A. Beck." Asa Mann and Johnson Maley witnessed the will. [Elbert County Will Book 1830-1835, pp. 482-33.] Asa Mann, Jeremiah Warren and Johnson Maley were appointed to appraise the estate which had a total valuation of approximately \$2403.67. [NOTE: Total valuation is partially legible on the microfilmed document.]

Wansley Cemetery, Elbert County, Georgia: "John Wansley, Sr., Revolutionary soldier, born Louisa Co., Va., 1738, enlisted Albemarle Co., Va., 1776, served as private, Capt. Harris' Co., Col. Lewis' Va. Regt. 1781. Settled here 1799, Allowed \$30 annual pension Aug 1833, died here 13 Jan 1835, age 97 years. His children were: Nancy Young, Sarah Beck, Milly Jenkins, Patsy Davis, Elizabeth Elliott, John, Jr., Thomas, Nathan, Larkin, Reuben Wansley. DAR marker at head of grave." [NOTE: Frank N. Wansley moved the granite monument with the Revolutionary War record for John Wansley, Sr. from Big Coldwater Creek to the Wansley Cemetery. [From Rome to Ruckersville – Our Wansley History. Elberton, Georgia: Frank N. Wansley, ca 1977, second edition, p. 32.]

- 22 Jan 1835 William A. Beck, Justice of Inferior Court, certified that Asa Mann, Jeremiah S. Warren and Johnson Maley were sworn to perform duty as appraisers of estate of **John Wansley, Sr.** [Elbert County Georgia Annual Returns 1835-1837, pp. 76-77.] Total appraised value was approximately \$2403.87½. The appraisal was recorded 02 July 1835. [Elbert County, Georgia Annual Returns 1835-1837, pp. 269-271.]
- 05 Aug 1836 William A. Beck, one of the executors of the estate of **John Wansley**, **Sr.** reported the sale of the estate yielded \$3423.2534. The sale of the estate was recorded on 12 September 1836. [Elbert County, Georgia Annual Returns 1835-1835, pp. 269-271.]
- Nov 1845 At the November 1845 term of the Court of Ordinary [Probate] for Elbert County, Georgia, William A. Beck, an executor of the estate of **John Wansley, Sr.,** reported distribution of the proceeds of the estate. [Elbert County, Georgia Annual Returns 1842-1846, pp. 205B-207B.]

Albemarle County, Virginia Deeds, Vol. 13, p. 46.

This Indenture made and done this first day of February 1799 Between John Wansley Sen^r of the county of Albemarle and State of Virginia of the one part and Nathaniel Wansley of the County and state aforesaid of the other part. Witnesseth that the said John Wansley for sundry good causes but more especially for and in consideration of two hundred pounds current money of Virginia to me in hand paid the Receipt whereof I do hereby confess and acknowledge hath this day and date bargained and sold and delivered Nat^h Wansley six head of Horses consisting of Mares Colts and horses eleven head of Horned Cattle eighteen head of Hogs five Sheep and also all kitchen and Plantation Eutenseals [utensils] and also three feather beds and furniture. Given under my hand and seal the day and year above Written

Signed in presence of John D. Grymes John Dalton

his
John X Wansley {{seal}}
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At Court held for Albemarle County the 4th day of February 1799
The foregoing Indenture was presented into Court and acknowledged by John Wansley party thereto and was ordered recorded Test John Nicholas Clk

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Putnam County, Georgia Deeds, Vol. B, pp. 156-7.

Georgia

This Indenture Made & agreed on this 1st Day of September In the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & ten between John Wansley Senr and Milley his wife of the County of Elbert of the one part and William Weeks, Betsey Weeks, Nancy Weeks James Weeks, Poleman Weeks & Adeline Weeks heirs of John Weeks Deceased of the County of Putnam and State aforesaid of the other part. Witnesseth that the said John Wansley & Milley his wife had for and in consideration of the Sum of Sixteen hundred dollars in hand well & truly paid at or before the Sealing or delivery of these presents the Receipt whereof is hereby Acknowledged bargained [p. 157] and Sold and by these present doth grant, Bargain, Sell release & forever confirm unto the said heirs and their Heirs or assigns forever all that tract of land Situated lying and being in the County of Putnam on the Oconee [?] River adjoining [illegible name] & Spurlocks land known by No. 387 containing two hundred two and half acres To have and to hold the above bargained land & premises and all & Singular the appurtenances as thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining to them and their heirs and assigns forever them and their own proper use benefit and behoof forever in fee Simple, and the said John Wansley & Milley his wife doth covenant with the said heirs & their heirs &c & shall at all times hereafter be quietly possessed of the same and that they will warrant and forever defend the said land against the claim of all & every person whatsoever so that the said

Heirs and their Heirs or assigns be peaceably possessed of the same. In Witness whereof they have hereunto set their hands & Seals the Day & place above mentioned Signed Sealed & Delivered his
In presence of us John X Wansley Senr {{seal}}

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Recorded the 16th Day of April 1811

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Spouse: John Wansley, Sr. Birth: 1738, Louisa County, Virginia Marriage: unknown date Death: 13 January 1835, Elbert County, Georgia Father: unknown Mother: unknown Spouse: Mildred [Milly] Whitten Birth: unknown Death: 09 January 1829, Elbert County, Georgia Father: unknown Mother: unknown Children: 1. Name: Sarah Wansley F Birth: 06 March 1765, Virginia about 1858, Murray County, Georgia Death: Burial: Woodlawn Plantation, Murray County, Georgia Marriage: 05 Jun 1784, Albemarle County, Virginia Spouse: John Beck [1762-1824] 2. Name: Nancy Wansley F Birth: about 1768, Virginia after 1850, Tennessee Death: Marriage 1: 14 November 1789, Albemarle County, Virginia Spouse 1: John Perry Patterson Marriage 2: 24 Apr 1813 [unverified] Spouse 2: William Young 3. Name: Elizabeth Wansley F ca 1768, Virginia Birth: Death: after 21 January 1837 28 August 1790, Albemarle County, Virginia Marriage: Spouse: Abraham Elliot [Elliott] [probably died before Jan 1835] 4. William Wansley Name: Μ Birth: ca 1768. Virginia after 1799 and before January 1835 Death: 5. Nathaniel [Nathan] Wansley Name: ca 1769, Albemarle County, Virginia Μ Birth: Death: after October 1843, Bedford County, Tennessee Lincoln County, Tennessee Burial: 04 March 1794, Albemarle County, Virginia Marriage 1: Spouse 1: Susanna [Susannah] Watts [-after ca 1795] Marriage 2: Spouse 2: Elizabeth Cleveland [ca 1782-after Sep 1846]

6. F	Name: Birth: Death: Marriage: Spouse:	Mildred [Millie, Milly] Wansley about 1774, Albemarle County, Virginia after 1840 census, Elbert County, Georgia ca 1802, Elbert County, Georgia Samuel Jenkins [died after Feb 1835]
7. M	Name: Birth: Death: Marriage: Spouse: Divorce:	John Wansley, Jr. about 1774, Albemarle County, Virginia after 05 August 1835 04 Mar 1813, Elbert County, Georgia Sally Greenway 1830, Georgia
8. M	Name: Birth: Death: Burial: Marriage: Spouse:	Reuben Wansley 1774, Albemarle County, Virginia after 1860 census Wansley Cemetery, Elbert County, Georgia unknown Elizabeth Cunningham [20 Sep 1783-after Sep 1867]
9. F	Name: Birth: Death: Burial: Marriage: Spouse:	Martha [Patsy] Wansley 01 March 1781, Albemarle County, Virginia 1868, Lumpkin County, Georgia Mt. Hope Cemetery, Dahlonega, Lumpkin County, Georgia 10 March 1810, Elbert County, Georgia Benjamin Davis [13 May 1781-1867]
10. M	Name: Birth: Death: Burial: Marriage: Spouse:	Thomas Wansley 29 April 1783, Albemarle County, Virginia 23 July 1848, Elbert County, Georgia Wansley Cemetery, Elbert County, Georgia 15 April 1810, Elbert County, Georgia Jemima Means [06 Aug 1790-21 Dec 1858]
11. M	Name: Birth: Death:	Larkin Wansley about 1784, Albemarle County, Virginia after 1860 census, Elbert County, Georgia
12. F	Name: Birth: Death:	Mary [Polly] Wansley unknown, Virginia September 1806, Elbert County, Georgia

[NOTE: Documents suggest that Nancy Wansley, Elizabeth Wansley and William Wansley were all born about 1768. These dates of birth are approximations based on very limited documentation. JBE]

John Wansley's Revolutionary War Pension Application File S.32045, National Archives.

State of Georgia	}}	
Elbert County	}}	SS

On the nineteenth day of May One thousand eight hundred and thirty three, personally appeared before me Dilliard Herndon a Justice of the Inferior Court in and for Elbert County State of Georgia John Wanslow a resident of Elbert County and State of Georgia, aged ninety four years, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth, on his oath, make the following declarations, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the services of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated that he was drafted into the Service of the United States as a private for Three months on the ----- day of ----- in the year Seventeen hundred and Seventy Six [or Seven, word uncertain] the day and month not recollected, under Captain Harris in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Lewis, that he resided in Albemarle County State of Virginia all the time when he was drafted into said Service, joined the Regiment in Fluvannah [sic, Fluvanna] County State of Virginia, Marched from thence to York Town in said State of Virginia, from York town to Hampton on the sea board, where he was discharged after having Served three months as a private in the United States Service during the Revolutionary War.

That he also Was drafted into the Service of the United States for Three Months as a private, in the county of Albemarle State of Virginia, on the ----- day of ----- Seventeen hundred and Eighty one the day and month he does not recollect distinctly, under Captain William Dawton in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel ----- joined his regiment in Albemarle County, Marched from thence to Richmond State of Virginia where he remained for some time from Richmond to a place called Holts forge, he cannot distinctly recollect the other Marchings during this Service of the United States, but after having served three months as a private was discharged from the service of the United States, but does not recollect the date when he was discharged.

That he was also drafted in to the Service of the United States for three Months as a private in the County of Albemarle State of Virginia, on the ----- day of ----- Seventeen hundred and Eighty One the day and month he does not recollect, under Captain Henderson, in the Regiment Commanded by a Colonel whose name he cannot now recollect, Marched from Albemarle County to Richmond Virginia, from Richmond to Cabbin [sic] point, from thence Marched about twenty five or thirty miles to a small Town Where he was discharged after having served three months as a private in the Service of the United States, but does not recollect the date when he was discharged, Making in all at the three different periods, Nine Months Service as a private during the Revolutionary War, that during his Service he served with the Militia and regulars but cannot describe them at this late date by name, General Nelson of the Militia and the Marquis de LaFayette of the Continentals he knew, who commanded the troops at the different periods where he served, That he has no documentary evidence, and that he

knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his Service during the Revolutionary War.

That he was born in Louisa County State of Virginia on the ---- day of ---- One thousand Seven hundred and thirty eight, and that he does not recollect the day or month when born that he lived in Albemarle County of Virginia when called into service; where he lived until he removed to Elbert County County ["County" repeated in original.] State of Georgia, where has has been living thirty three years, and has lived there ever since and now resides there, that he was drafted into the service each time, states that the names of some [of] the regular officer who were with the troops where he served he can only recollect distinctly the Marquis DelaFayette [sic[and that the Continental and Militia regiments where he served were the Regulars commanded by Marquis De laFayette, and the Militia Commanded by General Nelson, but does not Recollect them by name, says that he has no record of his age

He says that he received no Written discharge and that the Army in those days were generally disbanded after the troops having served out their term of Service

He states that the names or persons to whom he is known in his present neighbourhood, and who can testify as to his Character for Veracity, and their belief of his services as a Soldier of the Revolution are, William A. Beck one of the Justices of the Inferior court of Elbert County, Thomas A. Banks, Zacheriah Bowman, William White, Joseph Rucker and Joseph Blackwell. [NOTE: William A. Beck was a grandson of John Wanslow, Sr.]

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn to and Subscribed	}}	his
day and Year aforesaid before me	}}	John X Wanslow
Dilliard Herndon, J. I. C.	}}	mark

We Asa Chandler a Clergyman resident in Elbert County State of Georgia, and William White resident in the same place hereby certify, that We are Well acquainted with John Wanslow, who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration, that we believe him to be ninety four years of age; that he is reported and believed, in the neighbourhood where he resides, to have been a soldier of the revolution, and that we concur to that opinion.

Sworn and Subscribed	}}	Asa Chandler [signed]
day and year aforesaid before me	}}	W ^m White [signed]
Dilliard Herndon, J. I. C.	}}	

And I Dilliard Herndon one of the Justices of the Inferior Court in and for Elbert County State of Georgia do hereby declare my opinion, after the investigation of the matter, and

after putting the interrogatives prescribed by the War Department, that the above name applicant was a Revolutionary Soldier and Served as he states, And I do further Certify, that it appears to me that Asa Chandler who has signed the preceeding [sic] certificate, is a Clergyman resident in the County of Elbert and State of Georgia, and that William White who has signed the same, is a resident in the same place, and is a Creditable person, and that their Statement is entitled to credit, And I do further Certify that John Wanslow the foregoing named applicant, Cannot from bodily infirmity and blindness attend the said Inferior Court, this 19th day of May 1833.

Dilliard Herndon J I C [signed]

I Benjamin W. Fortson Clerk of the Inferior Court in and for Elbert County State of Georgia, do hereby Certify that Dilliard Herndon before whom the foregoing declaration of John Wanslow for a Pension and the Certificate of Asa Chandler Clergyman, and William White a Citizen was executed, was at the time a Justice of the Inferiour Court which is a Court of Record, in and for Elbert County State of Georgia, that the foregoing Signature purporting to be his is genuine, and that full faith and Credit ought to be had and given to his attestation as such.

In testimony Whereof I have hereunto affixed the seal of said Court and subscribed my name the twenty fourth day of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty three Benjamin W. Fortson Clerk Inferior Court Elbert County Georgia

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John Wanslow September 1833 to September 1834 \$30 Savannah, Ga 3Q 1834 13-6

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State of Georgia

}} Be it Known that on the 10th day of Elbert County }}

September 1834 before the Subscribing justice of the Inferior court in & for said county personally appeared John Wanslow above named & acknowledged the foregoing to be his act & deed - In testimony whereof I have hereunto set My hand & Seal this 10th day of September 1834 as above written last. Dilliard Herndon J I C

I J R T Christian Clerk of the Inferior Court of Elbert county certify that Dilliard Herndon is a magistrate as above & that the foregoing signature purporting to be his is Genuine in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal of office the 11th of September 1834

JRT Christian CR State of Georgia }} SS Chatham County }} Be it Known that on the Twenty Seven d[ay of] September 1834 before the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace in & for said County personally appeared William W Wash the attorney named in the foregoing power of attorney & made oath that [Illegible words in crease in paper] him by virtue of any sale transfer or Mortgage of the pension or arrears of the pension therein authorized & be received by him W W Wash Sworn & Subscribed the day & year last above mentioned before me, Jos [Several illegible words obscured by payment to Planters' Bank.] Planters' Bank of the State of Georgia Savannah, 23 September 1834 No 482 Received of J Marshall Cashier Agent for pay Pension *Thirty* Dollars, being for twelve months pension, due to John Wanslow from the Fourth day of September 1834 to the fourth day of September 1834 for which I have signed duplicate receipts ========== John Wanslow \$30= per W W Wash **INOTE:** (1) Certificate from Planters' Bank obscured part of the lower third of the page. (2) Italics represent handwriting in Planters' Bank form.] State of Georgia SS }} Elbert county }} Be it known that before me the subscribing Justice of the Inferior Court in aforesaid County personally appeared John Wanslow & Made oath in due form of Law that he is the individual named in an original Certificate in his possession of which [I Certify] the following is a true Copy

> War Department Authorizing Claim

I certify that in conformity with the Law of the United States of the 4th June 1832 John Wanslow of the State of Georgia who was a private in the Army of the revolution is entitled to receive Thirty Dollars Cash per annum during his natural life Commencing on the 4th March 1831 & payable Since – annually on the 4th March & 4th September in every year I am at the War Office of the United States the 27 day of August in the year Eighteen hundred & thirty three

Examined & Countersigned Geo Wm Crump Acting Commissioner of pensions

That he now resides in Elbert County & State of Georgia and he resided there for space of about thirty four years past & previous thereto he resided in Albemarle County Virginia Sworn & Subscribed the 10th day of September 1834 before me

Dilliard Herndon J I C

State of Georgia

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The 10th day of September 1834 Dilliard Herndon J I C as magistrate in the court above named do herby Certify that I have the most satisfactory evidence [Viz] from My own personal acquaintances & Knowledge of his having hereunto drawn a pension from the United States & that John Wanslow who has this day appeared before me to take the oath of identity is the identical person named in the pension Certificate which is here exhibited before me numbered 16848 & bearing date at the War Office the 27th day of August 1833 & Signed by Lew Cass Secretary of War Given under my hand in Elbert County on the day & year above written Dilliard Herndon J I C

Know all here by these presents that I John Wanslow of the County of Elbert & State of Georgia a Revolutionary pensioner of the United States do hereby Constitute & appoint Wm W Wash of Savannah Geo my true & Lawful attorney for me & in my name to receive from the agent of the United States for paying pensions in Savannah State of Georgia from 4th day of September 1833 to the 4th day of September 1834 Witness my hand & Seal this the 18th day of September 1834

Sealed & delivered in the presence of Dilliard Herndon J I C

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John X Wanslow

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Elbert County, Georgia Will Book 1830-1835, pp. 482-3.

JOHN WANSLEY [WANSLOW], SR. WILL

In the name of God, Amen:

I, John **Wansley, Sr.** of the State of Georgia and County of Elbert, being in bad health, but in perfect mind and disposing memory, do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament, in manner and form following, revoking and annuling all others heretofore made.

Item First: It is my will and desire that after the funeral expenses are paid that all my just debts be paid;

It is my will and desire that all my property, both real and personal, be sold with the least expense, and as early as can be done on a twelve months credit, and the proceeds be equally divided amongst my children (with the following exceptions: viz: Nancy Young, Elizabeth Elliot, Sally Beck, Nathan Wanslow, John Wanslow, Reuben Wanslow, Milly Jenkins, Patsy Davis, Thomas Wanslow, and Larkin Wanslow.

Item Three: Having given to some of my children some property heretofore, and deeming it right they should be charged with the amount received, and to be deducted from their shares, it is my will that the sum of Twenty-six dollars be deducted from my daughter, Elizabeth's share, and that the sum of Fifty Dollars be deducted from my son, John Jr.'s share, and that the sum of Thirty Dollars be deducted from my daughter, Patsy's share.

Item Four: It is my will and desire that Elizabeth Jenkins, my granddaughter, shall have a good bed, and a sheet and Counterpane, to be given her out of my household furniture by my executors.

Item Five: It is my will and desire that the sum of Thirty Dollars be deducted from my son Larkin's share, and the further sum of Eighty-five Dollars be deducted from my son, John Jr. 's share, making in all from his share the sum of one hundred and thirty-five dollars.

Item Sixth: I do hereby constitute, make and ordain, and appoint my beloved son Thomas Wanslow, William White, and William A. Beck, my executors of this my last will and testament.

In the presence of:	ŀ	his
Asa Mann	John	X Wanslow
Johnson Maley	n	nark
Georgia }}		
Elbert County }} Court of Ordinary Adjou	ırned Jany term 1835. Pe	ersonally appeared
in open court Asa Mann & Johnson Maley ar	nd after being duly sworn	deposeth and
satih that they are the subscribing witnesses	to the above will of Johr	າ Wanslow that
they saw the said John Dec ^d Sign & deliver	the same as his last will &	& Testament &
they signed the same as witnesses in the pro-	esents of the said testato	r & in the presents
of each other & that the said John Wanslow	$ u^{ m Senr}$ was of sound mind 8	k disposing
memory at the time the same was made being		
Attest W ^m B. Nelms C. C. O.		•

Asa Mann Johnson Maley

Whereupon it was ordered to be Recorded Attest W^m B. Nelms C. C. O Recorded the 22nd of January 1835

Attest W^m B. Nelms C. C. O

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Elbert County, Georgia Annual Returns 1835-1837, pp. 76-77.

Signed, sealed and delivered this 11th-day of January, 1835.

Inventory Est. of John Wansley dec^d 1835

Inventory and Appraisement of the estate of John Wansley deceased

Cupbord & Chest \$10.00

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We do certify upon oath that as far as was produced to us by the Executors the above and foregoing contains a true appraisement of the goods Chattels and Credits of the estate of John Wanslow deceased to the best of our Judgment and understanding

Asa Mann }}
Jeremiah S. Warren }} Appraisers
Johnson Maley }}

I do hereby certify that the above appraisers were sworn to perform their duty as appraisers according to Law the 22nd of January 1835

W^m A Beck, J. I. C.

Recorded the 2nd of July 1835. W^m B. Nelms, C. C. O.

NOTES:

- [1] The appraised total valuation for the fodder was \$7.75. Calculated value at \$0.75 per hundred weight [cwt] is \$6.75.
- [2] The total valuation is partially legible. Sum of the entries is \$2403.87½. According to Frank N. Wansley total was \$2397.87½.

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Elbert County, Georgia Annual Returns 1835-1837, pp. 269-271.

Sale Est of John Wanslow dec^d 1836 Sale list of the property of John Wanslow January 29th 1835

Fleming Wanslow Elizabeth Jenkins	one Pine Table one water bucket	4.25 1.00
A. W. Hammonds	1 Chair & Table	.50
Thomas Wanslow	1 Spinning wheel	2.00
Thos H. Capers	1 Spinning Wheel	2.50
E. W. Roebuck	1 Log Chair	1.87½
Asa Mann	3 Tubs	.061/4
Milly Jinkins	1 Clockreel	.12½
•	1 Pot Rack	.50
F. Cunningham		
Wiley Wansley	1 Pot Rack	.62½
A (B)		9.433/4
Amount Brought up		9.43¾
A. W. Hammonds	1 Large pot & skillet	.50
Strawden Henderson	1 Lot Castings	.62½
Elizabeth Jinkins	1 Loom	4.00
Tho ^s Wanslow	1 Chist	.25
W ^m M. Prater	1 Chist with Lock	3.00
W ^m Craft	1 Cupboard	$6.62\frac{1}{2}$
Tho ^s F. Gibbs	1 Bead & stead	$6.62\frac{1}{2}$
John Daniel	1 Copper Tea Kittle	2.00

A. W. Hammonds	1 coffee Pott	.371/2
		\$37.811/4
Amount brought over		\$37.811/4
A. W. Hammonds	1 [illegible] Pitcher	.37½
W ^m M. Prater	1 set cups & saucers	.50
Milly Jinkins	7 Plates & saucers	.31¼
Asa Mann	1 Set Plates	.25
W ^m Craft	1 dish & Set knives & forks	2.12 ½
Asa Mann	1 Decanter & pepper box	.37½
A. W. Hammonds	1 Jar	.061/4
Milly Jinkins	1 Counterpane	1.31¼
Milly Jinkins	1 Counterpane	1.00
Milly Jinkins	1 Counterpane	.561⁄4
Milly Jinkins	1 Bead quilt	.81¼
Thomas Wanslow	2 Sheets	1.25
John Wanslow	1 Bed quilt	1.00
W ^m M. Prater	27 lb Picked cotton 15 cts	4.05
Thomas Wanslow	1 Pr stillyards	.75
W ^m Prater	1 Cow Bell	.75
W ^m Prater	1 Large Tin Box	.50
John Daniel	4 weeding Hoes	1.12½
F. Wanslow	1 Plow & stock	1.561/4
Tho ^s Capers	1 Plow & stock	.75
John Prewit	Traces & backbands	.75
Tho ^s Capers	1 Pr Chaines	.62½
Tho ^s Wanslow	wedge & Colter	.43¾
Jas [or Jos] Jinkins	1 Pot & Axe	.37½
Memory Thornton	1 Grubing hoe	.75
John Wanslow	1 ox cart	21.50
W ^m White	1 wheat fan	5.00
Wiley Wansley	1 Cutting Box & knifes	1.681/4
Johnson Wansley	1 yoke oxen	34.00
Abner Wards	1 Heifer	6.00
Wiley Wansley	1 Heifer hornless	6.621/2
John Wanslow	1 Black headed cow	12.56
John Wanslow	1 black headed cow	9.121/2
Abner Wards	1 Read headed cow	10.061/4
W ^m White	1 Spotted cow	7.00
Strawden Henderson	2 yearlings	7.061/4
Thomas Eavenson	1 Heifer calf	1.25
E. W. Roebuck	6 Hogs 1 choice	14.00
Johnson Wanslow	1 sow & 5 pigs	6.00
James Jinkins	1 sow & 6 pigs	3.561/4
W ^m G. Alexander	1 sow & 7 pigs	4.00
Weston Patterson	1 White sow	1.50
Jacob M. Cleveland	1 Spotted sow & 7 pigs	5.00
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W ^m A. Beck Asa Hall	1 sow & 6 pigs 1 sorrell mare	7.75 50.75
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Amount Prought up		\$320.11
Amount Brought up	1 corroll colt	\$320.11
Reuben Wanslow	1 sorrell colt	51.00
John Means	1 stack 78c	2.40
Tho ^s Wansley	1 stack 79c	2.44
Tho ^s Wansley	1 stack 79c	2.45
John Prewit	Bbls corn 3.50	8.78
Hammonds	bus peas 1.06¼	1.25
T. H. Capers	2 Boxes	.37½
Jo Jinkins	1 Saddle	2.061/4
Wiley Wansley	1 side Leather	1.431/4
J. M. Cleveland	1 side Red Leather	1.43
Jacob Means	1 Lot scraps	.50
Sam ^l Bailey	1 Hog 7 ps 107½ @ [illegible]	16.12½
W ^m A. Beck	1 Hog 7 ps 78 @ 14 ¾	11.40
W ^m A. Beck	1 Hog 7 ps 50 @ 15	7.??
Sam ^l N. Bailey	1 Hog 7 ps 70¼ @ 14 ¾	10.07
Sam ^I N. Bailey	1 Hog 7 ps 70¼ @ 14½	10.07
W ^m A. Beck	1 Hog 7 ps 54 @ 14 ¼	7.96½
W ^m A. Beck	All 28 @ 14¼	4.20½
T. H. Capers	41 ¼ lb dry beef 4	1.65
Jo. C. Tibbis [white]	1 Jar & Lard	4.00
James Jinkins	1 Jar & Lard	3.00
Tho ^s Wansley	1 Jug	.561/4
W. M. Hinton	1 Barrell	.18¾
John Prewat	1 Barrell	.061/4
W ^m W. Hinton	1 Barrell & salt	.31¼
Sam ^l N. Bailey	1 Barrell & salt	2.62½
Wiley J. Wansley	1 Pickling Tub	.12½
Jo Tibbis	1 Lot Spun cotton	1.50
Milly Jinkins	1 Lot Spun cotton	1.37½
John Wansley	Charlotte & child	900.00
Dabney Wansley	Lizy	526.00
Tandy Wansley	Winey	465.00
W ^m A. Beck	Ritter	310.00
John Wansley	Hannah	340.00
W ^m White	150 Acres land	402.00
Wiley Wansley	1 Pan Handle	.25
Tho ^s Wansley	1 Pan Handle	.12½
Johnson Maley	1 Tray & sieve [?]	.561/4
A. W. Hammond	1 Bag	.25
E. W. Roebuck	1 Bag	.311/4
Jos Jinkins	2 Irons	.31¼
W ^m White	yearne [?]	.50

Jos Jinkins	1 Table		.37½
A. W. Hammo	onds 2 Geese		.67½
A. W. Hammo	onds 13 Chickens		.12¾
Jacob M. Cle	veland 1 sheepskin		.18¾
Cash	2 sheepskin		.12½
		\$34	23.25¾
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Elbert County Executors of the will foregoing Sale Bill of	 }} Personally came before meaning of John Wansley dec^d and being of the estate of said dec^d as it state and belief sworn to before me the 	sworn saith that the s &c stated is Just a nis 5 th day of August	above and and true to the 1836
_		W ^m B. Nelms	C. C. O.
John Wanslow Senr d	<pre>}} I certify that the above and lec^d was presented to me by Willia ed to the same before me on the tect</pre>	m A. Beck one of th	e Executors
		W ^m B. Nelms C. C.	Ο.
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•	}} Court of Ordinary Sept ^r Ter	m 1836 Ordered th	at the within
Return be Recorded			

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Recorded the 12th of September 1836. W^m B. Nelms, C. C. O.

Attest W^m B. Nelms C. C. O.

Return Est. of John Wanslow Senr decd 1845

William A. Beck one of the Executors of the will of John Wanslow Senr deceased makes the following Return to the Court of Ordinary of Elbert County to November Term 1845

The Executor

To the Sale of one tract of land containing two hundred two & a half					
Acres in Marion County sold by direction of the will of said decd					
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	The Exec	cutor	Cr		
By Cash Paid	W ^m White	as per Receipt No. 1	\$43.94		
By Cash Paid	W ^m White	as per Receipt No. 2	\$16.64		
By Cash Paid	W ^m White	as per Receipt No. 3	\$ 3.21		
By Cash Paid	W ^m White	as per Receipt No. 4	\$ 5.30		
By Cash Paid	W ^m White	as per Receipt No. 5	\$34.47		
By Cash Paid	W ^m White	as per Receipt No. 6	\$ 4.48		

By Cash Paid	John Wanslow Jr	as per Receipt No. 7	\$ 2.13		
By Cash Paid	John Wanslow Jr	as per Receipt No. 8	\$89.05		
By Cash Paid	John Wanslow Jr	as per Receipt No. 9	\$122.60		
By Cash Paid	John Wanslow Jr	as per Receipt No. 10	\$ 5.38		
By Cash Paid	John Wanslow Jr	as per Receipt No. 11	\$ 4.90		
By Cash Paid	Reuben T. Wanslow	as per Receipt No. 12	\$22.00		
By Cash Paid	Reuben T. Wanslow	as per Receipt No. 13	\$314.66		
By Cash Paid	Larkin Wanslow	as per Receipt No. 14	\$250.00		
By Cash Paid	John Beck	as per Receipt No. 15	\$26.00		
•			\$948.75		
		Amount brought over	\$948.75		
By Cash Paid	Thomas Wanslow	as per Receipt No. 16	\$314.00		
By Cash Paid	Ralph Gaines	as per Receipt No. 17	\$ 2.78		
By Cash Paid	B. Allen	as per Receipt No. 18	\$ 27.54		
By Cash Paid	Tho ^s Black	as per Receipt No. 19	\$ 7.50		
By Cash Paid	Benjamin Davis	as per Receipt No. 20	\$200.00		
By Cash Paid	Nathan Wanslow	as per Receipt No. 21	\$250.00		
By Cash Paid	Nancy Young	as per Receipt No. 22	\$250.00		
By Cash Paid	Samuel N. Bailey	as per Receipt No. 23	\$ 3.00		
By Cash Paid	John M. Raiford	as per Receipt No. 24	\$ 1.75		
By Cash Paid	Sarah Beck	as per Receipt No. 25	\$310.00		
By Cash Paid	Beverly Allen				
	for S. Jenkins	as per Receipt No. 26	\$298.60		
By Cash Paid	D. Wanslow				
	for Elizabeth Elliott	as per Receipt No. 27	\$234.68		
By Cash Paid	John Wanslow	as per Receipt No. 28	\$118.10		
By Cash Paid	Ralph Gaines	as per Receipt No. 29	\$ 11.04½		
By Cash Paid	A. Craft	as per Receipt No. 30	\$ 1.911/4		
By Cash Paid	W ^m B. Nelms	as per Receipt No. 31	\$ 8.87½		
By Cash Paid	Tho ^s Wanslow	as per Receipt No. 32	\$ 22.70		
By Cash Paid	Thos. F. Gibbs	as per Receipt No. 33	\$ 10.00		
By Cash Paid	Francis Gaines				
	agent for R. Hinton	as per Receipt No. 34	\$ 22.101/4		
By Cash Paid	Benjamin Davis	as per Receipt No. 35	\$ 30.00		
By Cash Paid for P	\$ 8.00				
By Commissions for	or Receiving & paying out \$	3475.50	<u>\$173.75</u>		
			\$3251.48½		

No. 1 Rec^d of Wm A. Beck Exr. of John Wanslow ^{Senr} Decd the [illegible] account of forty three dollars & 94/100 January 1st 1836 W. White By W^m B. White

No. 2 $\,\mathrm{Rec^d}$ of W. A. Beck Exr. of John Wanslow $\mathrm{dec^d}$ Sixteen dollars & 64/100 infull of the within January 1st 1836 $\,\mathrm{W}^\mathrm{m}$ White

No. 3 Rec^d of W^m A. Beck Exr. of John Wanslow dec^d three dollars and 2/100 infull of the within January 1st 1836 W^m White

- No. 4 Rec^d of W^m A. Beck Exr. of John Wanslow Senr decd five dollars & 30/100 in full of the within Jany 1st 1836 W^m White
- No. 5 Rec^d of W^m A. Beck Exr. of John Wanslow dec^d thirty four dollars & 47/100 infull of the within Jany 1st 1836 W^m White
- No. 6 Rec^d of W^m A. Beck Exr. of John Wanslow dec^d four dollars & 48/100 infull of the within Jany 1st 1836 W^m White
- No. 7 Rec^d of W^m A. Beck & Thomas Wanslow Exrs. of John Wanslow dec^d two dollars & 13 cents infull of the within note 5 Aug^t 1836 John [X, his mark] Wanslow ^{Junr} Test. B. Allen
- No. 8 Rec^d of W^m A. Beck & Thomas Wanslow Exrs. of John Wanslow dec^d Eighty nine dollars infull of the within acct 5 Augt 1836 John [X, his mark] Wanslow, Junr. Test. B. Allen
- No. 9 Rec^d of W. A. Beck & Thos Wanslow Exrs. of John Wanslow dec^d one Hundred twenty two dollars & 60 cts infull of the within note 5 Augt 1836. John [X, his mark] Wanslow^{Junr} Test. B. Allen
- No. 10 Rec^d of W^m A. Beck & Thomas Wanslow Exrs. of John Wanslow dec^d five dollars & 38 cts infull of the within note 5th August 1836. John [X, his mark] Wanslow, Junr Test. B. Allen
- No. 11 Rec^d of William A. Beck & Thomas Wanslow Executors of John Wanslow dec^d four dollars & 90 cts infull of the within note 5th August 1836 John [X, his mark] Wanslow, Junr. Test: B. Allen
- No. 12 Rec^d of William A. Beck one of the Executors of the last will of John Wanslow dec^d twenty two dollars infull of the within proven acpt. January 1st 1836. Reuben T. [X, his mark] Wanslow
- No. 13 Rec^d of William A. Beck & Thomas Wanslow Executors of John Wanslow dec^d three Hundred & fourteen 66/100 dollars infull pay for my distributive share of Said decd estate this Feb 8th 1837 Reuben [X, his mark] Wanslow Test W^m White
- No. 14 Rec^d of William A. Beck Executor of John Wanslow decd the sum of Two Hundred & fifty dollars infull of my distributive share of Said decd estate this Dec. 13th 1836 Larkin [X, his mark] Wanslow Test Tho^s F. Gibbs
- No. 15 Rec^d of William A. Beck Executor of John Wanslow dec^d the sum of twenty six 04/100 infull of the within proven ac/t December 21st 1835 James Taylor for John Beck

- No. 16 Rec^d of William A. Beck one of the Executors of John Wanslow Sen^r dec^d three Hundred & fourteen dollars infull pay for my distributive share of Said estate April 22nd 1837 Thomas [X, his mark] Wanslow Test John Jones
- No. 17 Rec^d of William A. Beck Executor of John Wanslow dec^d two 78/100 dollars infull of the within ac/t Feb 18th 1836 Ralph Gaines
- No. 18 Rec^d of W^m A. Beck Exr. of John Wanslow dec^d twenty seven dollars & 54 cents infull of the within note 14 April 1837. Beverly Allen
- No. 19 Received of William A. Beck Seven dollars and fifty cents infull of all demands against John Wanslow Senr or his estate this 8 day of January 1836 Thos. Black
- No. 20 Rec^d of Thomas Wanslow & William A. Beck Executors of the last will & Testament of John Wanslow ^{Senr} dec^d Two hundred dollars inpart pay of my distributive share of said estate January 6th 1836. Benjamin Davis
- No. 21 Rec^d of Thomas Wanslow & William A. Beck Executors of the last will & Testament of John Wanslow deceased Two Hundred & fifty dollars in part pay of my distributive share of that estate 27th Aug. 1836 Nathan [X, his mark] Wanslow. Test: James A. Clark
- No. 22 Rec^d of Thomas Wanslow & W^m A. Beck Admrs of John Wanslow Senr dec^d two hundred dollars and fifty dollars in part of the Legacy coming to Nancy Young from the estate of her father the said John Wanslow ^{Senr} Dec^d &c this 8th day of September 1836 Nathan [X, his mark] Wanslow Attorney in Fact. Test: Joseph Blackwell, Isham H. Goss
- No. 23 Rec^d of William A. Beck & Thomas Wanslow Executors of the last will of John Wanslow Senr. deceased the sum of three dollars for crying the property of said dec^d Jany 1st 1836. Samuel N. Bailey
- No. 24 Rec^d of William A. Beck one of the Executors of John Wanslow dec^d one dollar & 75 cents infull of the within proven ac/t Sept 9th 1835 John M. Raiford
- No. 25 Rec^d of W^m A. Beck & Thos Wanslow Exrs. of John Wanslow dec^d three Hundred & ten dollars on account of my distributive share of the estate of said dec^d Should it be over my part on a final settlement I promise to refund the overplus if not enough I hold them accountable for the balance 2 Feb 1836. Sarah [X, her mark] Beck Test: Beverly Allen
- No. 26 Messrs Thomas Wanslow & Wm A. Beck Executors of John Wanslow deceased Please pay to Beverly Allen the amount that is coming to me in right of my wife out of the estate of said deceased [when collected] and this order with his receipt shall be your sufficient discharge for the same this 18th of February 1835 Samuel Jinkins

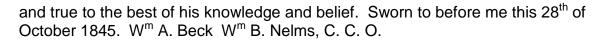
I accept the within order this 18th Feby 1835 Thomas [X, his mark] Wanslow, Exr

I accept the within order this 5th of March 1835. W^m A. Beck, Exr.

Rec^d of William A. Beck one of the Exrs of John Wanslow dec^d Two Hundred ninety eight dollars & sixty cents infull of the within order 8th July 1837 Beverly Allen

- No. 27 Recd of William A. Beck & Thomas Wanslow Executors of John Wanslow dec^d Two Hundred & thirty four dollars & 68 cents infull of my distributive share of said dec^d January 21st 1837. D. Wanslow Attorney in fact For Elizabeth Elliott
- No. 28 Rec^d of William A. Beck & Thomas Wanslow Executors of John Wanslow ^{Senr} dec^d one Hundred & eighteen 11/100 dollars infull of my distributive share of said estate this Sept 6th 1837. John [X, his mark] Wanslow Test: Eppy W. Roebuck
- No. 29 Rec^d of William A. Beck one of the Executors of John Wanslow decd Eleven & 04½/100 dollars infull of the within ac/t Feb. 8th 1836 Ralph Gaines
- No. 30 Rec^d of Wm A. Beck as Exr. of John Wanslow decd \$1.91½ cts Tax for 1834. A. Craft, T. C.
- No. 31 Rec^d of W^m A. Beck one of the Exrs. of the will of John Wanslow ^{Senr} dec^d Eight & $87\frac{1}{2}$ /100 dollars infull of the above account this 5th August 1836 W^m B. Nelms C. C. O.
- No. 32 Rec^d of William A. Beck one of the Exrs. of the will of John Wanslow ^{Senr} dec^d twenty two 50/100 dollars infull for my expenses & services of self & Horse in traveling to Marion County to sell land belonging to the estate of said decd this 22nd day of April 1837 Thomas [X, his mark] Wanslow Test: W^m B. Nelms
- No. 33 Rec^d of William A. Beck one of the Executors of John Wanslow dec^d Ten dollars infull of the above ac/tTho^s. F. Gibbs
- No. 34 Rec^d of W^m A. Beck one of the Executors of John Wanslow dec^d Garnishee twenty two dollars and seventy and one half cents infull of the above case this 27th April 1837. Francis Gaines agent For Robert Hinton
- No. 35 Rec^d of W^m A. Beck one of the Executors of the will of John Wanslow dec^d thirty dollars infull pay of my distributive share of said estate June 4th 1840. Benjamin Davis

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Elbert County	}}	Personally came William A. Beck Executor of the will of John
Wanslow deceased	before	William B. Nelms Clerk of the Court of ordinary for said
county and being sw	vorn sa	ith that the foregoing returns [illegible] stands stated is just



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Elbert County	}}	I cert	ify that th	ne forego	ing return	made by	William A	. Beck
one of the Execut						• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		
the Executor was	duly qu	ualified	to the sar	ne before	e me on th	e 28 th da	ay of Octob	oer 1845
and I believe the	same to	be cor	rect. W	^m B. Nelm	ns, C. C. C).		
Georgia	}}							

Elbert County }} Court of Ordinary January adjourned Term 1846 the within Return Examined and passed. Attest: W^m B. Nelms, C. C. O. Recorded the 12th day of February 1846 W^m B. Nelms, C. C. O.

NOTE: Itemized payments paid by estate of John Wanslow were filed under "John Wanslow," not "John Wansley." Wanslow, John. Georgia Probate Records 1742-1990, Elbert County Estates 1790-1990, Wanslow, John-Ward, Austin T. Images 3-92. Familysearch.org, on-line.

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