Thomas Black (c1726-1800)
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Thomas Black
Born c1726-c1740
Pennsylvania or Ireland
Lived in PA until ~1766

Thomas & Mary Black
1766-1773 Frederick Co VA
1773-1774 Dunmore Co VA
{Dunmore Co founded 1772}

Thomas & Mary Black
1774-1787 Pittsylvania Co VA

Thomas & Mary Black
1787-1794 Wilkes Co GA
1794-1800 Oglethorpe Co GA
{Oglethorpe Co founded 1793}

c1726

Thomas Black, son of _________ Black and _________
(_________) Black, was born c1726 in most likely Pennsylvania.¹
There is much speculation about the origins² of Thomas Black, his
birth year, and his parents.³⁴

¹ Three of Lemuel Black’s children lived to be enumerated in the 1880 census. James S. Black incorrectly
reports father’s birthplace as Georgia and mother’s birthplace as Georgia. William A. Black reports
father’s birthplace as Virginia and mother’s birthplace as Virginia. George W. Black reports father’s
birthplace as Pennsylvania and mother’s birthplace as Virginia. In an unforeseen way, this response
proved beneficial to help us locate that George W. Black could have meant Pittsylvania (Co VA) which is
where we find Thomas and Lemuel prior to their relocation to Georgia. However, a 1783 Power of
Attorney from Thomas to Lemuel indicates they had affairs in Pennsylvania so Pennsylvania is not
completely excluded as a potential birth place.

² Other researchers have suggested that Thomas Black:
resided York County, South Carolina
born Anson County, North Carolina
born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania
Our Thomas Black line did not originate in SC or NC.
³ Using that Lemuel was born in c1759, I estimate the birth year of Thomas Black to be 1726-1740. His
children were born from about 1759-1773.
⁴ Other researchers have suggested that Thomas Black’s possible parents are James Black and Jane
Thomas. Their birth dates don’t fit. Thomas Black could be a brother to James Black who m. Jane
Thomas.

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abt. 1758  Thomas Black marries Mary _______ in most likely Pennsylvania.

June 3-5, 1766  Frederick County (VA). [Lease and Release] Peter Stephens, Jr. and Mary his wife County of Frederick [to] Thomas Black of the same place, three tracts of land lying and joining each other on the long meadows and the branches of Crooked Run on the westerly side of the Shannandoah [sic] river, 381 acres, £400. Recorded June 5, 1766.6


May 21, 1767  Cumberland County (PA). Location of a tract of land situate two miles from Juniata River and on both sides of Kishakolas8 bounded on the south by the land of Everhart Martin9 on the west by a survey of John Harris and Cap1 William Petterson & for 200 acres for Tho8 Black of Frederick County in Virginia.10

May 4, 1768  Frederick County (VA). “Thomas Black is appointed overseer of the Road from Christas Spring to Ceedar Creek Ordered that the usael Tithables work thereon under him”11

Apr 6, 1769  Frederick County (VA). At a court continued + held for Frederick County April 6th 1769…12

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5 Some researchers have Mary’s maiden surname as McKinley, but this is a different person.
6 Frederick County, VA Deed Book 11, p. 87-89. Abstracted and published in Frederick County, Virginia Deed Books 9,10,11, 1763-1767, by Amelia C. Gilreath, p. 113. Contact Michael Black for copy of original document.
7 Frederick County, VA Deed Book 11, p. 204-205. Abstracted and published in Frederick County, Virginia Deed Books 9,10,11, 1763-1767, by Amelia C. Gilreath, p. 129. Contact Michael Black for copy of original document.
8 Kishacoquillas Creek. Today, this is north of Lewiston, Pennsylvania.
9 An Everhart Martin arrived in Philadelphia in 1758. In 1781, he paid tax in Derry township in Cumberland Co., PA. His will was written 13 Jan. 1784 and recorded 20 Feb. 1784 (Cumberland Co PA Will Book D, p. 199).
10 Pennsylvania, Land Warrants and Applications, 1733-1952 for Cumberland Co (1767)
Upon the Petition of Alexander Macher assignee of John Blair against Thomas Black for three pounds eleven shillings said too be due by note. The Deft being duly served with a copy of the Petition + Summoned to appear but failing so to do the solemnly called the Pltf. proved his demand It is therefore considered by the Court that the Pltf. recovered against the Deft the said sum of three pounds eleven shillings + his costs by him in this behalf expended.

Mar. 9, 1770
Frederick County (VA). At a court continued + held for Frederick County Marth 9th 1770…
The attachment of Thomas Black against Anthony Larkin is dismissed the Pltf. failing to appear.

Nov. 6, 1770
Frederick County (VA). At a court held in Frederick County November the 6th 1770…
Upon the attachment of Thomas Black against Anthony Larkin late of the said county. The Sheriff having levied the same on two different heaps and parcels of Indian corn, two small stacks of hay, one fodder house, a quantity of flax, two different houses of tobacco, one cow, one loom, and a spinning wheel, and the Deft. failing to appear to replevin of the same tho solemnly called. It is therefore considered by the court that the Plt. recover against the Deft. twelve pounds fifteen shillings and ten pence & his costs by him in this behalf expended. But this judgment is to be discharged on payment [sic] of seven pounds one shilling and five pence with interest on six pounds to be computed after the rate of five centum pounds thereof from the 1st day of September 1769 till paid and the costs, and It is ordered that the sheriff make sale of the attached goods according to law, and render the money arising thereby to the Plt. towards satisfying his judgment aforesaid

Nov. 8, 1771
Frederick County (VA). At a court continued and held for Frederick County November the 8th 1771…
Upon the Petition of Thomas Black against Bryce Hanna for a debt due by account. This day came the Plt. by his attorney, and the Deft. having been duly served with a copy of the Petition and acc^l

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14 Frederick County, VA Order Book 15 (1770-1772), p. 31, 33. Contact Michael Black for copy of original document.
and summoned to appear was solemnly called but came not. The Plt. proved his account. It is therefore considered by the court that the Plt. recover against the Deft. four pounds sixteen shillings and his costs by him in this behalf expended

May 4-5, 1772 Frederick County (VA). [Lease and Release] Between Thomas Black and Mary his wife of County of Frederick [to] Ulias Spiker of County aforesaid, for £640, three tracts of land lying and joining each other on the long Meadow and the branches of Crooked Run on the westerly side of the Shenandoah river, 381 acres. Recorded June 2, 1772.¹⁷

Aug. 4, 1772 Frederick County (VA). At a court held for Frederick County the 4th day of August 1772…“George Vance is appointed Overseer of the road from Chrisman’s Place to Cedar Creek in the room of Thomas Black, Ordered that the usual Tithables do work thereon under him”¹⁸

Mar. 5, 1773 Frederick County (VA). Between John Larrick Sen’ and Mary his wife of County of Frederick [to] George Larrick, his son, 285 acres. Witnesses: Thomas Black, Jas Barnett, Morgan Alexander. Recorded May 4, 1773.¹⁹

Apr. 28, 1773 Shenandoah County (VA) (formerly Dunmore County).²⁰ At a Court Continued for Dunmore County at the Courthouse in Woodstock the Twenty eighth day of April. Isaac Hite, Gent. Plaintiff v. Thomas Black, Defendant. This day came the parties by their attorneys…Edwin Young undertook for the defendant…on motion of said defendant an imparlance until next court is granted him…²¹

¹⁶ Should be Julius Specker
¹⁸ Frederick County, VA Order Book 15 (1770-1772), p. 357. Contact Michael Black for copy of original document.
²⁰ Dunmore County was established in 1772 and renamed Shenandoah County in 1778.
June 1, 1773  
State of Pennsylvania, Department of Internal Affairs. “A draught of a tract of land situate in Derry Township Cumberland County containing thirty one acres and 115 perches and the usual allowance of six pcent for roads &ac. Survey’d June first 1773 in pursuance of an order of survey to Thomas Black bearing date at Philadelphia May 21\textsuperscript{st} 1767 No. 3708”\textsuperscript{22}

June 11, 1773  
Cumberland County (PA). Thomas Black hath paid the full rate for a survey of land from his application #3708 dated May 21, 1767.\textsuperscript{23}

June 14, 1773  
State of Pennsylvania, Land patent from Thomas Penn and William Penn Esquires for 31 acres 115 perches in Cumberland County, PA.\textsuperscript{24}

Jun. 22, 1773  
Shenandoah County (VA) (formerly Dunmore County).\textsuperscript{25} At a Court held for Dunmore County at the Courthouse in Woodstock the Twenty second day of June. Isaac Hite, Gent. Plaintiff v. Thomas Black, Defendant. This day came the parties by their attorneys...defendant confessed...judgment for the balance of the plaintiffs cost...defendant is thereof in mercy\textsuperscript{26}

Sept. 9, 1773  
Frederick County (VA). [Lease and Release] Between Julius Specker and Elizabeth his wife [to] George Brinker of county aforesaid, tract of land granted by said Jost Hite to Lewis Stephens in 1734, then to Peter Stephens in 1754, then to Thomas Black in 1766, consisting of 100 acres for £200. Recorded September 9, 1773.\textsuperscript{27}


\textsuperscript{23} Pennsylvania, Land Warrants and Applications, 1733-1952 for Cumberland Co (1767)

\textsuperscript{24} Records of the Land Office, Patent Vol AA, Book 13, p507

\textsuperscript{25} Dunmore County was established in 1772 and renamed Shenandoah County in 1778.


Shenandoah County (VA) (formerly Dunmore County). At a Court continued for Dunmore County at the Courthouse in Woodstock the thirtieth day of September. Thomas Black, Plaintiff v. Mark Her, Defendant. This day came the parties by their attorneys…defendant on his motion is granted an imparlance until next court…

Shenandoah County (VA) (formerly Dunmore County). At a Court continued for Dunmore County at the Courthouse in Woodstock the thirtieth day of September. Thomas Black, Plaintiff v. Julias Spickard, Defendant. This suit abates…defendant an inhabitant of another county…

Shenandoah County (VA) (formerly Dunmore County). At a Court continued and held for Dunmore County at the Courthouse in Woodstock the twenty fifth day of November… Thomas Black, Plaintiff v. Mark Ilor, Defendant. This day came the parties by their attorneys….defendant saith that he did not assume upon himself in manner and fore as plaintiff hath complained…Therefore the trial of the issue is referred till next court…

Frederick County (VA). [Lease and Release] Between Julius Specker and Elizabeth his wife [to] Christopher Chryser, three tracts of land consisting of 381 acres for £500 Pennsylvania money, which said Julius Speckard [sic] purchased of Thomas Black. Recorded May 4, 1774.

28 Dunmore County was established in 1772 and renamed Shenandoah County in 1778.
29 Mark Ilor (b. c1730- d. aft. 1774)
31 Dunmore County was established in 1772 and renamed Shenandoah County in 1778.
33 Dunmore County was established in 1772 and renamed Shenandoah County in 1778.
35 Frederick County, VA Deed Book 16, p. 457-460. Abstracted and published in Frederick County, Virginia Deed Books 15 and 16, 1771-1775, by Amelia C. Gilreath, p. 146-147
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July 20, 1774
Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, living on Snow Creek near the mouth of said creek, took up said horse as a stray at his own plantation. Certified under my hand this 20th day of July 1774, Wm. Witcher.37

1774
Pittsylvania County (VA) tithables, William Witcher’s List. Thomas Black listed with the name George Phillip Root.40

Sept. 1, 1774

1774
Thomas Black, James Dillard, and Peyton Smith were ordered to "View a road from Standefer's track joining the road that leads from Blackwater (river) to the road from Ross' Quarter to the courthouse.42,43

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36 This 1774 date is the earliest that I have found of records of Thomas Black in Pittsylvania County, Virginia. I have searched Entry Record Book 1737-1770 (Land entries in the Present Virginia Counties of Halifax, Pittsylvania, Henry, Franklin and Patrick), Marian Dodson Chiarito, and do not find any Blacks listed.

37 The Book of Estrays Pittsylvania County Virginia 1773-1782, p. 18, Lucille C. Payne, 1994

38 Men aged 16+ were subject to tithables. See http://www.gentfiles.com/articles/tithables/ for more information.

39 Pittsylvania County, Virginia Clerk’s Office, Tithables 1767-1785 and Misc. Lists 1782, 1784, 1785, page 105. Contact Michael Black for a copy of the original document. A transcription is also available at http://www.dalton-newsletter.com/archives/1996/12-Dec%2096.pdf See page 24 in PDF. Under William Witcher’s list, Thomas Black is listed with the name George Phillip Root. I am unsure who this individual is.

40 The 1771 and 1772 Pittsylvania County, VA tax digests do not exist. Thomas Black did not appear in William Witcher’s District in 1773 which could mean Thomas did not settle in that county until 1773-1774. Of interest is that George Phillip Root is listed under Thomas Hackett in the 1773 tithable list (William Witcher’s District). Perhaps this George Phillip Root was a hired man for the Hackett family and later for the Black family.


42 Maud Carter Clement, The History of Pittsylvania County, Virginia, p. 104.

43 Only our Thomas Black appears in the 1774, 1775, and 1776 Pittsylvania County Tithables list; the other Thomas Black does not so therefore only our Thomas Black was in the county at that time to view a road in 1774 with Peyton Smith. This would also connect our Thomas Black to the 1776 indenture between Peter Finney and Peyton Smith.

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Mar. 30, 1775  Pittsylvania County (VA) Inventories and Accounts. Inventory of
estate of Merryman Fox, dec’d. by James Dillard, Thomas Black,
Lewis Jenkins. Recorded Mar. 30, 1775.44

Sept. 27, 1775  Pittsylvania County (VA) Court Orders. Thomas Black, nominated
for ensign in the county militia. Recorded Feb. 27, 1777.45,46

177547,48  Pittsylvania County (VA) tithables, William Witcher’s List. Thomas
Black listed with Lemuel Black and Geo. Phil. Root.

1776  Pittsylvania County (VA) tithables,49 William Witcher’s List. Thomas
Black listed with Lemuel Black and George P. Root.

Apr. 11, 1776  Pittsylvania County (VA). Lease between Peter Finney and Peyton
Smith, for lands “to the line between said Finney + Tho8. Black”.
Recorded Sept. 26, 1776.50

Aug. 7, 1776  Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Milburn sold hogs to Thomas
Black. Recorded Sept. 26, 1776.51

July 12, 1776  Pittsylvania County (VA). George Jefferson of Lunenburg County
to Peter Field Jefferson of Mecklenburg County, land in Pittsylvania
on the head of the Camp Branch of Turkey Cock Creek. Witness:

44 Pittsylvania County, VA Inventories and Accounts Current Book 1, p. 22. Abstract published in
Pittsylvania County Virginia Inventories & Accounts Current 1770-1797, compiled by Lucille C. Payne, p. 7.
45 Pittsylvania County, VA deed book 4, p. 293-294
46 Of interest is that only our Thomas Black appears in the 1774, 1775, and 1776 Pittsylvania County
Tithables list which indicates that the other Thomas Black had not yet settled in Pittsylvania County, VA
and therefore our Thomas Black would have been the one nominated for ensign and later a captain.
47 Men aged 16+ were subject to tithables. See http://www.genfiles.com/articles/tithables/ for more
information. This is evidence to support Lemuel's birthdate: 1775-16=1759.
48 Pittsylvania County, Virginia Clerk’s Office, Tithables 1767-1785 and Misc. Lists 1782, 1784, 1785,
page 132. Contact Michael Black for a copy of the original document. A transcription is available online at
Witcher’s list, Thomas Black is listed with the name George Phillip Root. I am unsure who this individual is.
It is noted that Lemuel Black does not appear indicating he had not achieved the age of 16 years. He
does appear for the first time in the 1775 list.
49 Pittsylvania County, Virginia Clerk’s Office, Tithables 1767-1785 and Misc. Lists 1782, 1784, 1785,
page 149. Contact Michael Black for a copy of the original document. A transcription is available online at
50 Pittsylvania County, VA Deed Book 4 (1774-1778), p. 252-253. Contact Michael Black for copy of
original document.
51 Pittsylvania County, VA Deed Book 4, p. 259. Thanks to Cassandra Wong for providing document.
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Thos. Jefferson, Thos. Black, Stephen Senter, Eusibus Hubard,
Joel Atkins. Recorded Sept. 26, 1776.52

Nov. 14, 1776
Pittsylvania County (VA). Inventory of the estate of Arthur Hopkins
dec'd appraised by the subscribing witnesses on hand: Thomas
Black, Luddowick Tuggle, Elisha Estes53

Feb. 22, 1777
Pittsylvania County (VA). Appraised one stray hogg taken up by
Thomas Black. Given under our hands this 22d day of February
1777. James Dillard, Wm. Devin, Wm. Haynes.54

Summer 177755 Thomas Black takes Oath of Allegiance56 in Pittsylvania County
(VA).57 Listed next to Lemuel Black on Capt. James Roberts’s list.58

1777
Pittsylvania County (VA) tithables,59 William Witcher’s List. Thomas
Black listed with Lemuel Black, Phillip Root, and David Wray.

Oct. 23, 1777
Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black Gent. who was heretofore
appointed to furnish the wife of John Holt a soldier now in his
countrys service with necessaries....60

Oct. 23, 1777
Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black Gent. producing a
commission from his Excellency the Governor appointing him

52 Pittsylvania County, Virginia Deed Book 4, 1774-1778, p. 244. Abstract printed in “Pittsylvania County,
53 Pittsylvania County, VA Inventories and Accounts Current Vol. I, p. 74-77. Contact Michael Black for a
copy of this document.
55 Men aged 18+ could take the Oath. This is evidence to support Lemuel's birthday: 1777-18: 1759.
"Wavering patriots, or neutrals, most often revealed themselves by refusing to sign oaths of allegiance to
the new state governments that were required shortly after declaring independence. Most states, like
Virginia in the summer of 1777, passed some kind of law requiring an oath of allegiance from all free
white males over the age of 16. In many places, however, the laws met with resistance or were ignored.”
57 Chiarito, Marian Dodson. (Feb. 1985). Oaths of Allegiance, 1777, Pittsylvania County. Magazine of
Virginia Genealogy, vol. 23, no. 1, pp. 3-11.
58 Maud Carter Clement, The History of Pittsylvania County, Virginia, p. 163. “The General Assembly of
May, 1777, enacted that all male inhabitants of Virginia above 16 years of age should take the following
oath to the Commonwealth…”
59 Pittsylvania County, Virginia Clerk’s Office, Tithables 1767-1785 and Misc. Lists 1782, 1784, 1785,
page 172. Contact Michael Black for a copy of the original document.
60 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Orders Book 4, p. 39. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this
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Captain of a company of militia in this county took the oath by law prescribed.61

Oct. 23, 1777 Pittsylvania County (VA). Lodwick Tuggle62 Gent. Second Lieutenant in Captain Thomas Blacks Company produced his commission and took the oath by law prescribed.63

Nov. 27, 1777 Pittsylvania County (VA). Benjamin Duncan first lieutenant in Captain Thomas Blacks Company of militia came into Court and took the oath by law prescribed.64

Jan. 20, 1778 Williamsburg (VA). The account of several claims, for executed slaves, and other matters stated by the committee of Public Claims, which was presented to the House on Saturday last, and ordered to lie upon the table, was read, and is as followeth, viz:

To Thomas Black, [for hire of his horse], a criminal from Pittsylvania to Williamsburg, £2 10 065

Mar. 26, 1778 Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, order to record ear mark.66

Apr. 28, 1778 Pittsylvania County (VA). George Jefferson of Anson County, North Carolina, to Lodowick Tuggle67 and Robert Powell. Witness

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61 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Orders Book 4, p. 40. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document.

62 Lodowick Tuggle (b. 1741 Middlesex Co VA, d. 1798 Oglethorpe Co GA) was a contemporary of Thomas Black. Tuggle moved to Pittsylvania County, VA in 1776, made lieutenant in the militia in 1777, captain in 1787, and was active in public life in Pittsylvania County. He relocated to Wilkes County, GA in 1791, about four years after Thomas Black. This page has more information about Tuggle: http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~abrown/ltuggle.html

63 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Orders Book 4, p. 40. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document.

64 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Orders Book 4, p. 45. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document. Also available at http://homepages.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~dobson/va/vapitts2.htm

65 Journal of the House of Delegates of the Commonwealth of Virginia, p. 121, Richmond, Printed by Thomas W. White, 1827. General Assembly, begun and holden at the Capitol, in the City of Williamsburg, on Monday, the twentieth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven.

66 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Orders Book 4, p. 69. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document.

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Thomas Black.  Examined October 24, 1778; Recorded November 26, 1778.68

June 25, 1778  
Pittsylvania County (VA).  Thomas Black living near the mouth of  
Snow Creek brought before me one bay horse.  Appraised one bay  
horse as a stray on his own plantation.  Certified under my hand  
this 25th day of June 1778.  Wm. Witcher.69

1778  
Pittsylvania County (VA) tithables,70 William Witcher’s List. Thomas  
Black listed with Lemuel Black and George P. Root.

Dec. 14, 1778  
Pittsylvania County (VA).  Indenture: Peter Finney to Peyton Smith.  
“bounded by Thomas Blacks line”, Thomas Black also witnessed.  
Recorded July 20, 1779.71

Jan. 26, 1779  
Henry County (VA).  A list of surveys made by John Dickerson.  
Thomas Black, on Snow Creek.72 “Surveyed for Thomas Black 318  
acres of land adjoining the land whereon he now lives which was  
formerly the property of William Greyham…”73

June 1779  
Pittsylvania County (VA) tithables.74 Thomas Black listed with  
Lemuel Black, William Black, and Geo. Philip Road.75

Nov. 10, 1779  
Henry County (VA).  Thomas Jefferson, Governor of Virginia, land  
grant to Thomas Black, 318 acres in Henry County on Snow  
Creek…the land he now lives on…76

1791, about four years after Thomas Black.  This page has more information about Tuggle:  
http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~abrown/ltuggle.html
68 Pittsylvania County, VA Deed Book 5 (1778-1780), p. 67-68.  Contact Michael Black for a copy of this  
document.
69 The Book of Estrays Pittsylvania County Virginia 1773-1782, p. 55, Lucille C. Payne, 1994  
70 Pittsylvania County, Virginia Clerk’s Office, Tithables 1767-1785 and Misc. Lists 1782, 1784, 1785,  
page 200.  Contact Michael Black for a copy of the original document.
71 Pittsylvania County, VA Deed Book 5 (1778-1780), p. 191-193.  Contact Michael Black for a copy of  
this document.
County, Virginia Deed Books I and II” by Lela C. Adams, p. 58-59.
73 Henry County, Virginia Surveyor’s Book 1, p. 22.  Thank you to James Ward for securing a copy of this  
document for me.
74 Pittsylvania County, Virginia Clerk’s Office, Tithables 1767-1785 and Misc. Lists 1782, 1784, 1785,  
page 216.  Contact Michael Black for a copy of the original document.
75 Should be George Philip Root.
76 Virginia State Land Office Grant Book B (1779-1780), p. 24.  Thank you to James Ward for securing a  
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1780  
Pittsylvania County (VA) tithables,77 William Witcher’s List. Thomas Black listed with Lemuel Black, William Black, and George P. Root.

Aug. 7, 1780  
Pittsylvania County (VA). Viewed three neat stray cattle taken up by Aaron McKinsey. …as witness our hands this 7th day of August 1780. Thos. Black, Stephen Senter, Joseph King.78

Dec. 19, 1780  
Crispin Shelton, Thomas Black, John Stockton, Gabriel Shelton and William Martin of Pittsylvania County and Halifax County give Bond to Treasurer of Virginia, in the just sum of £100,000.79

Mar. 26, 1781  
Pittsylvania County (VA). Will of Thomas Rogers. Executors: Thomas Black and George Rogers. Witness: Robert Rodgers, Mary Rogers, Mary Black.80

May 15, 1781  

May 1781  
Pittsylvania County (VA), Thomas Black and George Rogers executors of the will of Thomas Rogers dec’d. Security: Lodowick Tuggle.82

1781  
Pittsylvania County (VA) tithables,83 Henry Conway’s List. Thomas Black listed with Lemuel Black and William Black.

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77 Pittsylvania County, Virginia Clerk’s Office, Tithables 1767-1785 and Misc. Lists 1782, 1784, 1785, page 250. Contact Michael Black for a copy of the original document.
78 The Book of Estrays Pittsylvania County Virginia 1773-1782, p. 79, Lucille C. Payne, 1994
79 Pittsylvania County, VA Deed Book 1778-1780, p. 74-75. Thanks to Cassandra Wong for providing this document.
80 Pittsylvania County, Virginia Deeds and Wills Book 1, p. 121. As published in Pittsylvania County, Virginia Abstract of Wills 1768-1800.
82 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Orders Book 4, p. 368. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document.
83 Pittsylvania County, Virginia Clerk’s Office, Tithables 1767-1785 and Misc. Lists 1782, 1784, 1785, page 252. Contact Michael Black for a copy of the original document.

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June 19, 1781  Pittsylvania County (VA), Thomas Black and Henry Conway executors of the will of Drury Oliver dec’d. Securities: Stephen Coleman and Richard Brown.

Mar. 18, 1782  Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, public claim for 1 rifle gun, 6½ bu Corn, 1200# fodder, 1 fodder stack 72 feet long for state £11-12; 90 gals. brandy for Cont. £27; ½ bu corn, 10 diets for state £11s-6; 1 bu corn, 4 diets Cont. 7s.

May 22, 1782  Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, taken up by the subscriber a black horse…Appraised to £6 May 22d 1782. Thomas Black.

1782  Pittsylvania County (VA) land tax list. Appears Thomas Black with 498 acres.

1782  Pittsylvania County (VA), State Enumeration, Heads of Household, Lodowick Tuggle’s District. Black, Thomas with 10 white souls, 1 dwelling, 11 other buildings.


84 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Orders Book 4, p. 370. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document.
87 The Book of Estrays Pittsylvania County Virginia 1773-1782, Lucille C. Payne, 1994
88 There was only our Thomas Black who appeared in the 1782 land taxes list which supports that the other Thomas Black did not locate to Pittsylvania County until later, and it was our Thomas Black who was ensign (1775), captain (1777), provided wife of soldier with supplies (1777), made the oath (1777), and made a publick claim (1782).
89 The Land Tax Lists of Pittsylvania County, Virginia 1782-1802, by Gayle Austin, p. 3, 10
90 http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~vapittsy/1782LandTaxes.htm
91 There was only our Thomas Black who appeared in the 1782 head of household list which supports that the other Thomas Black did not locate to Pittsylvania County until later, and it was our Thomas Black who was ensign (1775), captain (1777), provided wife of soldier with supplies (1777), made the oath (1777), and made a publick claim (1782).
92 Pittsylvania County, VA Tithables 1767-1785 and Misc. Lists 1782, 1784, 1785, page 328. Contact Michael Black for an original copy of this document.
93 Heads of Families at the first census of the United States taken in the year 1790, records of the state enumerations: 1782 to 1785, Virginia, p. 98.
94 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 4, p. 425. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document.
Mar. 18, 1783  Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black power of attorney to Lemuel Black.\textsuperscript{95,96}

Apr. 17, 1783  Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, plaintiff, judgement against William Young, defendant, for liable, damages £500.\textsuperscript{97}

Jun. 25, 1783  Pittsylvania County (VA). Archibald Young of Henry County to Thomas Black of Pittsylvania County, £100 for 100 acres in Henry and Pittsylvania County along Snow Creek.\textsuperscript{98} Recorded Aug. 19, 1783.

1783\textsuperscript{99}  Pittsylvania County (VA). Drury Oliver’s inventory by Harmon Cook, William Devin, James Brewer. Thomas Black, exor. Account of Sales of Estate of Drury Oliver, dec’d. Thomas Black - bowl\textsuperscript{100}

Sept. 16, 1783  Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, plaintiff, judgment against James Dillard, defendant.\textsuperscript{101}

Sept. 1783  Pittsylvania County (VA). A commission to examine Mrs Young and deed from her said husband to Thomas Black. To Peyton Smith, Lodowick Tuggle, Gent, Justices of Pittsylvania...whereas Sarah Young, wife of said Archibald Young cannot travel to our county court. By virtue of the above dedimus we have examined Sarah, wife of the said Archibald Young, who relinquished her right of dower, October 11, 1783. Recorded November 18, 1783.\textsuperscript{102}

\textsuperscript{95} Pittsylvania County, VA Deed book 6, p. 497-498. Thanks to Cassandra Wong for providing this document.
\textsuperscript{96} Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 4, p. 473. Thanks to Cassandra Wong for providing this document.
\textsuperscript{97} Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 4, p. 494. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document.
\textsuperscript{98} Pittsylvania County, VA Deed Book 7, p. 89-90. Thanks to Cassandra Wong for providing this document.
\textsuperscript{99} Recorded date not entered on record but it is inline with other 1783 entries.
\textsuperscript{101} Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 5, p. 36. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document.
\textsuperscript{102} Pittsylvania County, VA Deed Book 7 (1783-1786), p. 164. As published in "Abstracts of Pittsylvania County, VA Deeds 1783-1790" by Gayle Austin, p. 31.
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Aug. 20, 1783 Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black and Henry Conway, executors of Drewry Oliver, dec’d. v. Epaphroditus White and Harman Cook.103

Aug. 20, 1783 Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black v. Caleb Brewer and James Brewer.104

Oct. 22, 1783 Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, plaintiff, against William Ragsdale, suit abates.105


May 18, 1785 Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, executor of Drewry Olliver [Drury Oliver], plaintiff, against Peter Field Jefferson, defendant, in debt.108

Jun. 22, 1785 Pittsylvania County (VA). Harman Cook ordered to pay Thomas Black for three days attendance as a witness.109

Jun. 23, 1785 Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black v. William Young, dismissed.110

103 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 5, p.17.
104 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 5, p.17.
105 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 5, p. 47. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document.
108 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 5, p. 168. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document.
109 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 5, p.197.
110 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 5, p.197.

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Jul. 8, 1785 Pittsylvania County (VA). Bill of sale. Thos. Black to Lodwick
Tuggle and Samuel Calland, sold unto them all my personal estate.
Recorded July 18, 1785.111,112

Nov. 7, 1785 Pittsylvania County (VA). Petition by inhabitants of said county to
members of both houses in the General Assembly, Richmond,
begging for Liberty in Religion. Signed by 155 individuals including
Thomas Black, Lemuel Black, Wm. Black, John Black.113

Dec. 20, 1785 Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black and Henry Conway,
executors of Drewry Oliver, dec’d. v. Robert Duncan (& Joseph
Akin).114

Feb. 2, 1786 Franklin County (VA). A deed from Thomas Black to Samuel
Calland is acknowledged and ordered recorded.115

Feb. 16, 1786 Pittsylvania County (VA). Archibald Graham Sr. of Franklin County
to Samuel Calland of Pittsylvania County, for £300 on the south
side of Pigg river containing by estimation 180 acres…being the
land and plantation whereon Thomas Black now lives. Recorded
April 17, 1786.116

Feb. 21, 1786 Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black v. William Oliver, judgment
on a petition.117

Feb. 21, 1786 Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, executor of Drury Oliver,
dec’d, v. William Oliver and James Bleakley, judgment on a
petition.118

May 14, 1786 Pittsylvania County (VA). Estate of Arthur Hopkins decd. in accot.
current with Saml. Calland, exor.

111 Pittsylvania County, VA Deed Book 7 (1783-1786), p. 459-460.
112 Samuel Calland and Lodowick Tuggle were peers of Thomas Black. Calland is recorded as taking the
oath of allegiance in 1777 with Thomas and Lemuel Black, of Capt. Jas. Robert’s List. Tuggle and
Calland relocated to Wilkes and Oglethorpe Co, GA.
113 Transcribed by Rebecca Webb from copy of original housed at the Library of Congress.
114 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 5, p. 262.
115 Franklin County, VA Court Order Book 1, p. 3. As printed in An Old Virginia Court being a transcript of
the records of the first court of Franklin County, Virginia 1786-1786, Marshall Wingfield, p. 9.
116 Pittsylvania County, VA Deed Book 7 (1783-1786), p. 505. As published in "Abstracts of Pittsylvania
County, VA Deeds 1783-1790" by Gayle Austin, p. 105.
117 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 5, p. 292.
118 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 5, p. 292.

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Thomas Black as appraiser of estate of his settlement.
Accot. found against Thomas Black on settlem’t.
Certified under our hands: Jno. Wilson, Abra. Shelton, R. Williams
Recorded Oct. 15, 1787.119

1786
Pittsylvania County (VA). A list of the land tax in Pittsylvania County for the year 1786. Thomas Black, 418 acres.120

Aug. 1786
Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, plaintiff, against Randolph Bobit, defendant, in debt.121

Aug. 22, 1786
Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, executor of Drury Oliver, dec’d, v. James Bleakley and Samuel Calland, judgment.122

Nov. 4, 1786
Pittsylvania County (VA). Debit accounts of Drury Oliver, dec’d., in account current with Thomas Black, executor. Recorded Nov. 4, 1786.123

Nov. 8, 1786
Franklin County (VA). An injunction is granted Nathan Swanson on his motion to stay the proceedings of a judgement obtained against him by Thomas Black with Usebus Hubbard his security entered into bond and acknowledged the same.124

Nov. 9, 1786
Franklin County (VA). Thomas Black sworn as juror for Thorp vs. Woodson.125

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120 The Land Tax Lists of Pittsylvania County, Virginia 1782-1802, by Gayle Austin, p.31
121 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Records Book 3, p. 51
122 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 5, p. 369. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document.
124 Franklin County, VA Court Order Book 1, p. 67. As printed in An Old Virginia Court being a transcript of the records of the first court of Franklin County, Virginia 1786-1786, Marshall Wingfield, p. 42.
125 Franklin County, VA Court Order Book 1, p. 69. As printed in An Old Virginia Court being a transcript of the records of the first court of Franklin County, Virginia 1786-1786, Marshall Wingfield, p. 43.
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Nov. 20, 1786  Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, plaintiff, v. William Peak, defendant, judgment on attachment.126

1786  Wilkes County (GA) tax list, Capt. Clark’s District. Thomas Black, Lemuel Black, and William Black recorded.127 This is the earliest record I have located of Thomas Black in Georgia.

Dec. 7, 1786  Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black to Samuel Calland, 100 acres on both sides of Snow Creek. Recorded Apr. 16, 1787.128

Mar. 1787  Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, executor of Drury Oliver, dec’d, plaintiff, against Samuel Mosely and Arthur Nash, defendants, in debt.129

1787  Pittsylvania County (VA). A list of the land tax in Pittsylvania County for the year 1787. Thomas Black, 418 acres. Certified July 14, 1787.130


1787  Wilkes County (GA) tax list, Capt. Clark’s District. Thos. Black and Lemuel Black recorded.132

1788  Pittsylvania County (VA). A list of the land tax in Pittsylvania County for the year 1788. Thomas Black, 418 acres. Certified July 22, 1788.133

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126 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Order Book 5, p. 387-388. Contact Michael Black for a copy of this document.
127 Frank Parker Hudson. *Wilkes County, Georgia Tax Records 1785-1805*, volume I
128 Pittsylvania County, VA Deed Book 8 (1787-1790), p. 40-42. Thanks to Cassandra Wong for providing document.
129 Pittsylvania County, VA Court Records Book 3, p. 61
130 The Land Tax Lists of Pittsylvania County, Virginia 1782-1802, by Gayle Austin, p.45
131 Robert Scott Davis Jr., *The Wilkes County Papers 1773-1833*, p. 110
132 Frank Parker Hudson. *Wilkes County, Georgia Tax Records 1785-1805*, volume I, p. 130
133 The Land Tax Lists of Pittsylvania County, Virginia 1782-1802, by Gayle Austin, p.57
May 1788
Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black, plaintiff, against James Brewer, defendant, in debt.\textsuperscript{134}

July 7, 1788
Wilkes County (GA) Plat. Grant to Thomas Black, 321 acres adjacent John Snead, Daniel Gunnells, Peter Huff, and Micajah McGehee. Warrant dated July 7, 1788; survey dated July 8, 1788.\textsuperscript{135}

Oct. 25, 1788
Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black of Wilkes County, GA power of attorney to John Smith of Pittsylvania County, VA.\textsuperscript{136} Recorded Feb. 15, 1789.

1788
Wilkes County (GA), Georgia Headright Grant, 321 acres\textsuperscript{137}

1789
Pittsylvania County (VA). A list of the land tax in Pittsylvania County for the year 1789. Thomas Black, 418 acres. Certified October 20, 1789.\textsuperscript{138}

Dec. 21, 1789
Pittsylvania County (VA). Thomas Black of Georgia, by John Smith his attorney, land along Snow Creek, to Samuel Calland. Recorded Dec. 21, 1789.\textsuperscript{139}

1791
Wilkes County (GA) tax list, Capt. Jonathan Jennings’s District. Thomas Black, Lemuel Black, Wm. Black and John Black recorded.\textsuperscript{140,141}

\textsuperscript{134} Pittsylvania County, VA Court Records Book 3, p. 94
\textsuperscript{135} Abstract by Jim Wilson. Source: Wilkes County, GA Plat Book D, p. 46
\textsuperscript{136} Pittsylvania County, VA Deed Book 8 (1787-1790), p. 380-381. Thanks to Cassandra Wong for providing this document.
\textsuperscript{138} The Land Tax Lists of Pittsylvania County, Virginia 1782-1802, by Gayle Austin, p.69
\textsuperscript{139} Pittsylvania County, VA Deed Book 8 (1787-1790), p. 46. Thanks to Cassandra Wong for providing document.
\textsuperscript{140} Frank Parker Hudson. Wilkes County, Georgia Tax Records 1785-1805, volume I, p. 309
\textsuperscript{141} The State of Georgia has posted the original images for the 1791 Wilkes County tax digest online at http://cdm.sos.state.ga.us/index.php To find Thomas and Lemuel Black, select “County Tax Digests” in the left column, then select Wilkes then search, then “Wilkes County Tax Digest, 1791”, then select Contents in the left menu, then page 167. Their names are near the top.

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1792 Wilkes County (GA) tax list, Capt. George Taylor’s District. Thomas Black, Lemuel Black, Wm. Black and John Black recorded.142

June 19, 1792 Wilkes County (GA) Petition of Foreclosure by Thomas Black against John Thurman for 200 acres property adjacent Capt. Daniel Gunnels, Benjamin Ashworth, Micajah McGehee and Thomas Sneed. Papers were served June 19, 1792.143

1793 Wilkes County (GA) tax list, Capt. Joel Barnett’s District.144 Thomas Black, William Black, and John Black recorded.

[Dec. 19, 1793 ~ Oglethorpe County established]

1794 Oglethorpe County (GA) tax list, Capt. Woods' District.145 Thomas Black, William Black, and John Black recorded.

1795 Oglethorpe County (GA) tax list, Capt. Barnett’s District.146 Thomas Black listed.

Sept. 7, 1795 Elijah Brewer of Elbert County (GA), for £250, to Thomas Black of Oglethorpe County (GA), a negro man named Sam & his wife…goods delivered Dec. 18, 1795. Recorded Jan. 5, 1796.147

Jan. 6, 1796 Execution levied on property of Lemuel Black and Elisha Brewer, 375 acres in Oglethorpe County. Exposed to public sale and sold to Mathew J. Williams and Thomas Black, the highest bidders, for $472, 375 acres on Broad River.148

1796 Appears on Oglethorpe County tax list; John Black, Lemuel Black, and Thomas Black.149

142 Frank Parker Hudson. Wilkes County, Georgia Tax Records 1785-1805, volume I, p. 375
143 Robert Scott Davis Jr., The Wilkes County Papers 1773-1833, p. 133
144 Frank Parker Hudson. Wilkes County, Georgia Tax Records 1785-1805, volume I, p. 497
145 Abstract by Jim Wilson
146 Abstract by Jim Wilson
149 Georgia Genealogical Magazine, Spring/Summer 1997, p. 118

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1797  
Oglethorpe County (GA) tax list. Capt. Brooks’ District, Thomas Black, granted originally to John Thurman.\(^{150}\)

1798  
Oglethorpe County (GA) tax list. Capt. Matthew’s District, Thomas Black, Sr., John Black, Thomas Black, Jr.; granted originally to John Thurman, adjacent Daniel Gunnels.\(^{151}\)

Apr. 20, 1799  
Mathew Williams and Barbara, his wife, of Elbert County, and Thomas Black and Mary, his wife, of Oglethorpe County, to Elisha Brewer of Elbert County, for $400, 400 acres in Elbert Co. on N. shore of Broad River.\(^{152}\)

Apr. 24, 1799  
Will of Thomas Black;\(^{153}\) recorded Feb. 3, 1801.\(^{154}\) Legatees: wife Mary Black, Lemuel Black, William Black, Mary Brewer, John Black, Thomas J Black, James Black, Agness Black.

1799  
Oglethorpe County (GA) tax list. Capt. Matthew’s District. Thomas Black, Sr., John Black, Thomas J. Black, James Black\(^{155}\)

1800  
Oglethorpe County (GA) tax list. Capt. Matthew’s District. James Black, John Black, Thomas Black, William Black.\(^{156}\)

Nov. 8, 1800  
Our Thomas Black was in Capt. Matthew’s District which was enumerated the second Saturday in November.\(^{157}\) Thomas Black and Thomas Black and Thos. Black all appear in the 1800

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\(^{150}\) Abstract by Jim Wilson.
\(^{153}\) [http://files.usgwarchives.net/ga/oglethorpe/wills/blackt.txt](http://files.usgwarchives.net/ga/oglethorpe/wills/blackt.txt)
\(^{154}\) Oglethorpe Co GA, will book A, pp. 101-102
\(^{155}\) Abstract by Jim Wilson.
\(^{156}\) Abstract by Jim Wilson.
\(^{157}\) Smith, Florrie Carter. *Supplement to the History of Oglethorpe County, Georgia*, p. 237

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Oglethorpe County, GA census\textsuperscript{158}, in different districts,\textsuperscript{159} distinguishable by their age category. (Census supposedly enumerated the last Saturday in November).\textsuperscript{160} However, one of the Thomas Black’s entries was changed from 1 to 0 so that he was enumerated in another district.

1800 Thomas Black dies in the fall of the year in Oglethorpe County, GA.\textsuperscript{161}

1801 Oglethorpe County (GA) tax list. Capt. Matthew’s District. John Black, James Black, Thomas Black.\textsuperscript{162} Thomas Black [Sr.] deceased.

1802 Oglethorpe County (GA) tax list. Capt. Matthew’s District. John Black for James, for Thomas\textsuperscript{163} Thomas Black [Sr.] deceased.

1809 Clarke County (GA), Capt. Ward’s District. John Black, Mary Black, Thomas Black, William Black\textsuperscript{164} Thomas Black [Sr.] deceased.

1810 Clarke County (GA), Capt. Augustine Clayton’s District. James Black, Thomas J. Black, Mary Black, widow, 202½ acres in Wilkinson Co, GA\textsuperscript{165}

\textsuperscript{158} 1800 Oglethorpe County, GA census enumerated second Saturday in November. November 8, 1800 Capt. Mathews’ District
Thos Black
Free white males: 0 under 10, 0 age 10-16, 2 age 16-26, 1 age 26-45, 1 age over 45
Free white females: 0 under 10, 0 age 10-16, 0 age 16-26, 1 age 26-45, 1 age over 45
Free negro: 0
Slaves: 3
\textsuperscript{159} \url{http://files.usgwarchives.net/ga/oglethorpe/census/1800/mathews.txt}
\textsuperscript{160} According to the Black Bible, Barbara Black was born 9/23/1800, so the enumeration was before then because she does not appear as a child in the Lemuel Black household.
\textsuperscript{161} Oglethorpe Co GA, Thomas Black loose estate papers. January term 1801, witnesses to will appear in court and state Thomas Black, dec’d. This lends support that he died in the prior year.
\textsuperscript{162} Abstract by Jim Wilson.
\textsuperscript{163} Abstract by Jim Wilson.
Dec. 20, 1810  Oglethorpe County (GA). Indenture: John Black, Thomas J. Black, and James Black to James Bradley, 321 acres in Oglethorpe County for $1600. Recorded May 26, 1812.166 [Sons sell their father’s land.]

1811  Clarke County (GA), Capt. Augustine Clayton’s District. Thomas Black, James Black, James Black for Mary Black.167 This is the last record I have found of Mary Black.

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166 Oglethorpe Co GA Deed Book G (1810-1812), p. 311-312. Contact Michael Black for a copy of the original record.
I prepared this timeline to document that Thomas Black, son of William Black of Halifax County, Virginia, was living in Halifax County, Virginia during the time of the American Revolution and is not the Thomas Black living in Pittsylvania County, Virginia during the same time period.

**c1745**
- Thomas Black born in Virginia

**Nov. 4, 1761**
- Halifax County, VA, William Black witness for deed

**Aug. 10, 1762**
- Halifax County, VA. Walter Coles to William Black, for £80, 475 acres...Recorded Aug. 19, 1762.

**c1773**
- Thomas Black marries Susannah Richardson

**c1776**
- Halifax County, VA, a son Skip Richardson Black born

**Apr. 4, 1778**
- Halifax County, VA. Skip Richardson of Halifax to Thomas Black of Halifax and Susannah his wife, daughter of said Skip Richardson, 162 acres in Halifax. Recorded June 18, 1778.

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168 NSDAR #659643
171 Susannah Richardson's father Skip Richardson appears in Halifax County records as early as 1755.
172 NSDAR #659643
173 1830 Putnam County, GA census, aged 50-60 (born 1770-1780)
Thomas Black (c1745-c1814)
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Halifax County, VA, a son Thomas Black born176

Halifax County, VA, a daughter Sarah “Sally” Black178 born


Halifax County, VA, a daughter Elizabeth Black180 born

Halifax County, VA, land bounded by William Black

Halifax County, VA, personal property tax list

Halifax County, VA. John Drinkard Sr. of Halifax to William Vasser of Halifax, about 300 acres in Halifax and Parish of Antrim upon Catawba Creek and bounded by Thomas Black’s corner…meaders to Skipp Richeson’s line, thence along Richeson’s line to Black’s corner. Recorded Jun. 17, 1784.184

Halifax County, VA. David Crews of Halifax to Pleasant Shields of Halifax, about 100 acres, bounded by Caleb Clay, Skip Richardson,

175 NSDAR #868995
176 Thomas Black married Elizabeth Dews in 1806
177 09/09/1850 Davidson County, TN; Reuben G. Dews, age 84, Sarah Dews, age 71
178 Sarah “Sally” Black married Reuben Dews 10/13/1804 Campbell County, VA
180 Elizabeth Black married William Mitchell 1/14/1800 Campbell County, VA
182 http://www.newrivernotes.com/va/hali1782.htm
185 Hal DB 13, p. 50. 1784. From David Crews of Hal to Pleasant Shields of Hal, 100 acres on both sides of the Tanfat Branch, bounded by Caleb Clay, Skip Richardson, Solomon Stott. Witnesses were John
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Soloman Stott. Witness: John Richardson, Thomas Black, John Crews. Recorded July 15, 1784. ¹⁸⁶

1785¹⁸⁷ Halifax County, VA heads of families, List of James Bates:
Thomas Black, 6 white souls, 1 dwelling, 3 other buildings
William Black, 6 white souls, 1 dwelling, 5 other buildings
Skip Richardson, 3 white souls, 1 dwelling, 4 other buildings

Nov. 17, 1785 Halifax County, VA. Pleasant Shields of Halifax to John Tucker of Amelia, about 100 acres in Halifax, bounded by Solomon Stott, Wm Oliver, Hills corner, Thos. Black. Recorded Nov. 17, 1785. ¹⁸⁸

c1785-1787¹⁸⁹ Halifax County, VA, a son Absalom Black born¹⁹⁰

June 28, 1787 Halifax County, VA, Thomas Black, surety for Daniel Richardson and Martha Forrest, dau. of Richard Forrest who consents.¹⁹¹

Apr. 23, 1789¹⁹² Halifax County, VA, a son Nathaniel Black born¹⁹³

Jan. 2, 1790 Halifax County, VA, will of William Black returned by Thomas Black, administrator. Court records show he was deceased by December 1789.¹⁹⁴,¹⁹⁵

¹⁸⁷ Heads of Families at the first census of the United States taken in the year 1790, records of the state enumerations: 1782 to 1785, Virginia, p. 87. Also available online at http://files.usgwarchives.net/va/halifax/census/1785/17850001.txt
¹⁸⁹ NSDAR #689061
¹⁹⁰ 1830 Baldwin County, GA census aged 40-50 (born 1780-1790)
¹⁹¹ Marriage Bonds and Ministers’ Returns of Halifax County, Virginia 1753-1800, p. 79, by Catherine Lindsay Knorr, 1957
¹⁹² NSDAR #661981
¹⁹³ Nathaniel Black married Elizabeth Ann Wilkes 5/1/1809 Halifax County, VA
¹⁹⁵ Inventory & Appraiser 2 jan 1790 Thomas Black Admr.
Among items listed cows & Yearlings, 5 killable hoggs, 1 horse, negro will, do. Beck do wench Lucy & child Natt (sic), do girl Sillah, do. boy Peter, do. Phill, do. girl Sall, do. do. Mary, do. do. Tab, do. fellow Charles plantation tools, household goods, 8 chairs, chest, trucks, beds & furniture, brass candle stick, 1 doz plates, ams saddle & bridle, do. womans do. & do. wooling wheel & cards. Total: 463 ²/₅/₉
S/James Hankler, David Crews, Drury Vaughan Sworn before Walter Bennett Returned 25 Jan 1790

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1792  
Halifax County. A son John Black born

Apr. 14, 1794  
Thomas Black of Halifax County, VA to Lewis Wilbourn

c1794  
Halifax County, a daughter Susannah Black born

Feb. 15, 1796  
Thomas Black (of Campbell), listed as a debtor to the estate of John Pannill, dec’d., in Pittsylvania County.

bet. 1802-1806  
Thomas and Susannah Black remove to Pittsylvania County.

1795-1804  
Pittsylvania County, VA. A daughter Polly S. Black born

Sept. 18, 1806  
Pittsylvania County, VA, will of Thomas Black

Rec. Jun. 20, 1814  
legatees: Elizabeth Mitchell, Skip Ritcherson Black, Sarah Dew, Thomas Black, Susannah Black, Absalem Black, Nathaniel Black, John Black, Polly Black

c. Dec. 17, 1837  
Susannah Richardson Black dies in Pittsylvania County.

Oct. 23, 2012  
DAR corrected service of this Thomas Black (c1745-1814) to be Paid Supply Tax in Halifax Co., 1783.

196 NSDAR #441997
197 John Black married Margaret Dearing 2/16/1816. Third wife is Mary Duncan married 12/13/1831.
198 Halifax County, Virginia. Apr 12, 1794: Thomas Black of Halifax sells to Lewis Wilbourn of Halifax, for 100 pounds, about 162 acres in Halifax, and bounded by the Alder Bush Branch, and James Norrell Jr., John Richardson, the Tan Fat Branch, Skipp Richardson’s and Epaphroditus White’s lines; signed: Thomas Black; wit: William Vassar, Robert Wilbourn, Robert Page, Wm H Montfert; Susannah wife of Thomas Black relinquishes her dower rights; recorded Apr 28, 1794 (Deed Book 16, p. 179). (source: http://genforum.genealogy.com/wilbourn/messages/106.html)
199 NSDAR #692457
200 Susannah Black married William Turner 11/14/1818 Pittsylvania County, VA
201 Pittsylvania County, VA Accounts and Inventories Book 2, p. 245, 250, 261. This record cannot be for the other Thomas Black because he had relocated to Georgia by that time.
202 The Land Tax Lists of Pittsylvania County, Virginia 1782-1802, by Gayle Austin. This Thomas Black does not appear in this volume indicating he did not relocate to Pittsylvania County until after 1802. In the book Pittsylvania County Virginia Deeds 1791-1794, there are no entries for any Blacks indicating Thomas Black had not purchased any land during those years.
203 In the 1820 Pittsylvania Co VA census, she is listed as 1 free white female aged 16-25 (born 1795-1804).
204 Polly S. Black married Lemuel Birthright 12/21/1816.
206 NSDAR #659643

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