

**John Russell, Son of William Russell, Sr., and Anne Farguson, Timeline**

- Abt 1775 **Charlotte Co., VA. John Russell** was born to William Russell, Sr., & Anne Farguson.
- 03 Apr 1788 **Charlotte Co., VA.** The will of **William Russell** dated 03 Apr 1788, named **wife Anne**. Directed that land be divided between [sons] Thomas and **John Russell**. Devised negro Mitty to Edward Russell. Mentioned [children] Nancy, Joseph, Peggy Russell. Will presented to the Court by Anne Russell, relict of William Russell and by William Russell, son of Edward Russell and recorded 01 Sep 1788. [1]
- 05 Apr 1788 **Charlotte Co., VA. William Russell** died. [2]
- 01 Dec 1788 Charlotte Co., VA. Josiah LeGrand was appointed guardian of Nancy, Thomas, **John**, and Peggy Russell, orphans of William Russell, deceased. Securities: Jacob Morton, Anne Russell. Thomas Spencer Jr., Quin Morton, Thomas Read appointed to settle William Russell's account as guardian of John Russell, orphan of William Russell, Jr., and they are directed to report the same to the next Court. [3]
- 19 Dec 1788 Charlotte Co., VA. Thomas Spencer, Jr., and Quin Morton made further division of the estate of William Russell, deceased: one third to the relict Anne Russell; other two thirds remainder of the estate to the deceased's eight children: Edward, Joseph, James, Mary, **John**, Thomas, Nancy, Peggy, and to John Russell, the representative of the deceased's son William Russell, Jr. Recorded 07 Apr 1789. [4]
- 1800 **Charlotte Co., VA.** Personal Tax List, p. 17.  
 April 5, 1800 **William Russell** (son of Edward) 1 white tithe, 5 blacks, 3 horses £2.56 tax  
 April 5, 1800 **Edward Russell** 1 white tithe, 1 black, 2 horses £ .68 tax age 57  
 April 23, 1800 **Anne Russell** 1 white tithe, 4 blacks, 3 horses £2.12 tax  
 Location of **John Russell** (b. c1775) or **Thomas Russell** (b. c1780), Anne's sons, is unclear. One of them is likely to be the 1 white tithe in Anne's household.
- 06 Jan 1803 Charlotte Co., VA. **John Russell** [son of Anne] made his will, bequeathing estate to sister Peggy Russell, brother Thomas Russell, and mother Anne Russell. [5] John was about 28 years old when he died.
- John fell from a horse, fracturing his skull, which led to his death, according to a family history posted on the Internet and copyrighted 2012 by Steve Hatchett. See:  
<http://www.hatchetts.com/hatchett/documents/manus-wmrhatchett.html>
- 07 Feb 1803 Charlotte Co., VA. Will of **John Russell** [son of Anne] was proved by Josiah LeGrand, John Hatchett Jr. Ordered to be recorded by Thomas Read, clerk of Court. [6]
- Jan 1804 **Charlotte Co., VA. Mary (Russell) Daniel vs. John Russell etc., Thomas Russell. William Russell**, deceased, had two wives. By the first he had 5 children: **Edward, William, Joseph, James, & Mary (Russell) Daniel**. By the second wife, **Anne**, he had **Thomas, John, Nancy, & Peggy**. According to William Russell, Sr.'s will the estate went to Anne and her children. Mary Daniel alleges that this is not the correct will. In May 1803 Mary Daniel's

husband, **Thomas Daniel**, died. William Russell, Jr., is dead. He left only one son, **John**. In addition, children by the second marriage are dead: **John (who had no wife or children)**, **Nancy** (who married **John Hatchett** & had one son, **William**). Mary Daniel asks that her stepmother, the children of the second marriage, John Hatchett, and William Hatchett be defendants, and she asks for a trial by jury. She wants to know what they received from the estate. (Other names mentioned: Thomas A. Stephenson, Jacob Morton.)

**17 Jan 1804:** The sheriff of Charlotte Co. summoned Edward Russell, Joseph Russell, James Russell, John son of William Jr. deceased, Thomas Russell, Peggy Russell, Anne Russell the widow, John Hatchett & his son William Hatchett, all to appear in Chancery at the Court House, to testify **1 Mar 1804**, with £100 fines each should they not appear. Thomas Read, clerk.

**11 Apr 1804:** The summons was executed on Thomas Russell, Peggy Russell, Anne Russell the widow, John Hatchett & William, John's son. Edward Russell, Joseph Russell, James Russell, and John son of William Russell Jr. were NOT found. [7]

NOTES:

[1] Clayton Torrence, Virginia Wills and Administrations 1632-1800: An Index (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1972), 369; Charlotte County Wills, 1:409-409a, abstracted in Hart & Kolbe, Southside Virginian, 6(2):92 (April 1988).

[2] Exact date of death is from Charlotte County, Virginia, Chancery Suits, Mary Daniel vs. John Russell etc., Thomas Russell, 1805-004, p. 12. Library of Virginia: <http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/default.asp#res>

[3] Charlotte Co. Court Orders, 7:221-223, abstracted in Magazine of Virginia Genealogy 25(4):24, 1987.

[4] Charlotte Co. Wills, 1:412a-413a, abstracted in Hart & Kolbe, Southside Virginian, 6(2):93 (April 1988).

[5] Charlotte Co. Wills, 2:240.

[6] Charlotte Co. Wills, 2:240.

[7] Charlotte County, Virginia, Chancery Suits, Mary Daniel vs. John Russell etc., Thomas Russell, 1805-004. Library of Virginia: <http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/default.asp#res>