

SANDIDGE

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WILLIAM SANDIDGE,¹ from England, settled in Spotsylvania County, Virginia; died 1747, Spotsylvania County; married Ann Pulliam, daughter of William Pulliam. She was baptized November 22, 1702 in New Kent County, Virginia. She married second Joseph Martin, Gent., of Louisa County, Virginia.

Old Sandidge Family Bible:

"William Sandidge from England married Miss Pullam, and had four sons and one daughter:

1. William
2. James married Jane Shelton
3. David
4. John
5. Mary

"The earliest record of a Sandidge in Spotsylvania County was dated Dec. 2nd, 1734 (Spotsylvania was formed in 1721). This was a record of a deed of sale from John Davis, of St. John's Parish, King William County, to William Sandidge, of St. Margaret's Parish, Caroline County, for 150 acres on Northanna River, in Spotsylvania County. From this date on the Sandidge records in Spotsylvania and Louisa are numerous. These records clearly show that William Sandidge owned several thousand acres of land; that his wife was Ann; that he had five children as named, and many grandchildren; that he died in 1747 and that in 1754 his widow Ann married

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In the Spring of 1944, Mr. Hughes requested me through his cousin, Mrs. P. H. Hiden, of Newport News, Virginia, to complete an article he had begun on the Sandidge family, using the family data that Prof. Dickinson left him at his death in 1915, and data he had collected on the family covering a period of a great many years. He died in August, before I had seen the genealogical data, except the carefully prepared manuscript. I arranged the abstracts from the county records chronologically and checked with Crozier's: *Records of Spotsylvania County, Virginia*, and other records available in the New York Public Library. I also added the footnotes. Other than these changes the article appears as written by the author.

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¹The Parish Register of St. Peter's, New Kent County, Virginia, records the baptism on 10 July, 1698, of "willm Son of Jno Sandwich & mary his wife." In 1704 as "John Sandige" his name appears on the Quit Rent Roll of New Kent County, Virginia, as possessing 100 acres of land. He was apparently the immigrant.

Joseph Martin, Gentleman, of Louisa County (at which time she had at least one grandchild)," Prof. William Elmore Dickinson.

Records of Spotsylvania.²

June 1, 1739. Deed of Peter Gustavus and Mary his wife of Amelia County, to William Sandidge of Spotsylvania County; 450 acres in St. George's Parish, Spotsylvania County. Wit: Thos. Cartwright, Geo. Willcox, Geo. Shepperd.

Sept. 4, 1744. William Sandidge witnesses deed of Henry Chiles.

Nov. 6, 1744. Jos. Roberts of Spotsylvania County and Susanna his wife made deed to William Sandige of the same county of 512 acres in St. George's Parish. Wit: John Holloday, Thos. Cowper, Isaac Bradburn.

May 7, 1745. William Sandige and Ann, his wife of Spotsylvania County deed to Anthony Gholson, Jr. of said county, 200 acres in St. George's Parish. (This was their son-in-law, Anthony Gholson.)

June 3, 1746. George Musick, Senr., and Ann, his wife, of St. Geo. Parish, Spotsylvania County, William Sandidge and Ann, his wife, of same parish and county, to William Trustee of the same parish and county, "sd. George Musick, Senr., and Ann, his wife, to William Trustee, their son-in-law, and Elizabeth, his wife, their daughter." Deed of gift. 50 acres, and sd. Wm. Sandidge and Ann, his wife, for consideration of 4£ Curr., to them by sd. Wm. Trustee paid, convey 15 acres adjoining the aforesaid 50 acres. Wit: Thos. White, William Lea, Phillip Ballard.

Jan. 12, 1746. In the Virginia Land Book 24, page 629 is this information: "To William Sandige 1416 acres in Spotsylvania, being a part of a patent granted to James Taylor, 21st July, 1721, another part thereof being a part of a patent to Jos. Roberts 28th Sept. 1728; the rights and title to which said two parts have since become vested in said William Sandidge."

WILL OF WILLIAM SANDIDGE

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN: The 11th day of March One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-six; I WILLIAM SANDIDGE of the Parish of St. George, in the County of Spotsylvania; being very sick and weak, but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God therefore, calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say principally and first of all, I recommend my soul unto the hands of Almighty God that gave it, and for my body I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a Christian like and descent manner at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting that at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God; and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this

²Crozier's *Records of Spotsylvania County, Virginia*.

life, I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form:

IMPRIMIS: It is my will and desire that my son WILLIAM SANDIGE shall have my land at Elke Neck with the appurtenances to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever, and if William die without heir as aforesaid, then the said land to be sold and the money to be equally divided amongst the surviving sons; further it is my will and desire that my youngest son, JOHN SANDIGE shall have the land and plantation whereon I now live concluding four hundred acres with the appurtenances to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever, also one negro boy named Abram; if John dies without heir then the part of the estate due him by my will shall fall to my two sons and David.

ITEM: I give to my son JAMES SANDIGE five hundred acres of land to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever, and one negro fellow named Isaac and if James dies without heir then the part of the estate due to him is to fall to his two brothers David and John Sandige.

ITEM: I give to my son JAMES SANDIGE five hundred acres of land, the remaining part of East no East tract to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever, also one negro named Frank and if my son David should die without heir as aforesaid, then the part of estate due to him by my will to his two brothers James and John Sandige.

ITEM: I give to my dear and well beloved wife three negroes named Peter, Ira and Sue and one of the choicest of all my beasts and one of the choicest of all my beds to her own disposing forever.

ITEM: I give to my granddaughter Sarah Golson one hundred acres of land adjoining the land that my son-in-law Golson lives on; further it is my will and desire that the remaining part of the tract of land be sold and the money be equally divided between my two sons James and David Sandige; further it is my will that my son William Sandige shall have my horse Arnes; further it is my will and desire that my son William shall have one shilling; further it is my will and desire that my daughter Golson shall have one shilling; further it is my will and desire that all the remainder of my estate after all my debts are paid, shall be equally divided between my dear and well beloved wife ANN SANDIGE and my three sons, JAMES: DAVID and JOHN SANDIGE, but after the death of my aforesaid wife, then that part due to her by my will to be equally divided between the said three sons JAMES, DAVID and JOHN SANDIGE, and I hereby ordain and appoint my dear and well beloved wife ANN and her two sons James and David Sandige my executors of this my last will and testament, disallowing, revoking and disannulling all and any other former testaments, wills and legacies, bequeaths and executions by me in any way before this time named willed, bequeathed, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

his
WILLIAM X. SANDIGE. (Seal)
mark

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us:

THOMAS WHITE.

BETTY WHITE.

At a Court held for Spotsylvania County on Tuesday June 2, 1747.

This will being exhibited and sworn to in Court by Ann Sandige, James and David Sandige, Executors therein named and was proved by the oaths of Thomas White and Betty White the witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded.

Teste

EDWARD WALLER, Clerk.³

July 7, 1747. Ann Sandige gives bond as guardian of John Sandige, the orphan son of William Sandige; sec. Benj. and Jos. Holloday.

Oct. 6, 1747. Ann Sandige witness of deed in Spotsylvania County.

June 28, 1754. Joseph Martin and Joseph Pulliam of Louisa County, to James, William, David and John Sandige and Anthony Gholson bond of 300£. "Joseph Martin is now going to be married to Ann Sandige." Recorded Nov. 5, 1754.

Nov. 4, 1754. Ann Martin, wife of Joseph Martin of Louisa County. Whereas William Sandige, late of Spotsylvania County, deceased, was seized of several tracts of land in Spotsylvania County, and made his last will and testament March 11, 1746 and by the said instrument did leave to the said Ann, party of these presents, then his wife, three negroes, etc. and the balance of his property to be divided between the said Ann and his three sons, James, David and John and his daughter Mary Gholson, wife of Anthony Gholson, Junr.

Nov. 7, 1752. John Sandige witness to a deed from James Haley to Daniel Gardner.

Feb. 23, 1754. John Sandige witness to a deed from Thomas White to Church Wardens.

April 17, 1758. Will of Thomas Pulliam mentions daughter Ann, who is the wife of David Sandige.

Sept. 7, 1761. William Garrett of Spotsylvania County, and Elizabeth his wife to Thomas Lane of same; James Sandige a witness.

Nov. 7, 1763. James Sandige witness to a deed in Spotsylvania Co. to John Shephard of same county.

Nov. 11, 1770. James Sandige and Jane his wife, and David Sandige and

³Spotsylvania County, Virginia, Will Book A, 1722-1749, page 443.

- Anne, his wife, to Phillip Day of Spotsylvania Co. 122 acres in Spots. Co. 56£ 18s 8d Curr.
- Nov. 15, 1770. James Sandidge and Jane his wife, of Louisa County to John Shepperd of Spotsylvania County, 400 acres in Spots. Co. 20£ Curr.
- July 22, 1776. Deed from William Sandidge and Elizabeth his wife, of Albemarle County; David Sandidge and Ann his wife, of Spotsylvania Co., and Charles Powell and Sarah his wife, (née Gholson) to Clayton Coleman of Spotsylvania County; 80£ 12s. 6d. Curr.; 115 acres in Spotsylvania County. Wit: Anthony Gholson; Jos. Gholson; Rd. Bishop.
- Jan. 28, 1777. Henry Gatewood in will mentions daughter Keziah Sandidge.
- Dec. 14, 1780. William Webb of Spotsylvania Co. to David Sandidge of same county. 100 acres 1000£ Curr. in Spots. Co. Wit: Henry Gatewood, Sr., David Sandidge, Jr., James Sandidge.
- April 17, 1782. Henry Chiles of Spots. Co. to David Sandidge of same Co. 100 acres in Spots. Co. 1000£ Curr. Wit: Austin Sandidge, David Sandidge, Jr., James Sandidge, John Rawlings, Thomas Rawlings.
- Jan. 27, 1787. W. Dawson, Rawlings Pulliam and Austin Sandidge witness deed from Susannah Holliday to John Rawlings.
- Jan. 30, 1789. David Sandidge to James Sandidge. 100 acres of land in Spotsylvania Co. 5 shill. Wit: Benj. Holladay, W. Bronaugh, David Sandidge, Jr., David Bronaugh, Zacharias Sandidge.
- March 9, 1790. Beverley Stubblefield, of St. George's Parish, Spots. Co., Gent. to David Sandidge, of Berkeley Parish, Spots. Co. 200 acres. 100£ Curr.
- May 14, 1790. Larkin Sandidge, of Spotsylvania Co. Power of Atty. to his brother, Austin Sandidge, of same Co. Wit: Jas. Holladay, Jos. Holladay, David Bronaugh, Zachs. Sandidge, James Sandidge.
- Sept. 26, 1791. Austin Sandidge, of Spots. Co. to Jos. Rawlings of same Co. The said Austin Sandidge by virtue of power of attorney given by his brother, Larkin Sandidge, late of Spots. Co. dated May 14, 1790, conveys to said Rawlings for sum of 110£ Curr. 150 acres in Berkeley Parish, Spots. Co. Wit: Benj. Rawlings, David Bronaugh, Zachs. Sandidge, Wm. M. Estes.
- Oct. 29, 1791. Jos. Rawlings to David Sandidge 49£. 9s. 4d. Mortgage 150 acres in Spots. Co. Wit: Zachariah Sandidge, Winifred Sandidge, Elizabeth Sandidge, Edwd. Herndon, Jos. Holladay, Jr., John Rawlings.
- July 18, 1795. Austin Sandidge witnesses deed from Wm. Bronaugh to son, David Bronaugh.
- Oct. 5, 1795. James Sandidge and Patsy his wife, to David Sandidge. One of the witnesses was Austin Sandidge.
- Sept. 3, 1796. Joseph Pulliam and Elizabeth his wife, Susannah Garrett, Joseph Holladay and Mary Ann his wife, William Oliver and Sarah

his wife, Austin Sandidge and Mary his wife, of Spots. Co. to Joseph and Nath. Pulliam (as executors of David Pulliam's estate), 214½ acres in Spots. Co., joining lands of Austin Sandidge, Wm Oliver, Susannah Garnett, Jno. Edington, Wm. Bronaugh, Robert Hart and the dowry land of Mary Holladay, the land hereby conveyed is lot no. 4, and is known by the name of Molls Pines, being part of the land of Benj. Holladay, decd. allotted to Benj. Holladay, Jr., orphan. Wit: Robert Hart, Lewis Holladay, Waller Holladay, Wm Holladay.⁴

From Woods' History of Albemarle County: William Sandridge signed the Declaration of Independence for the County (1779). This book also states that Pleasant Sandidge and John and Mary (Wood) Sandidge went to Green Co., Ky.

From Virginia State Library Report 1910-11: Austin Sandidge War 4, 64, 348; James Sandidge, H. D. May 1783, 11; Jos. Sandidge Aud. Acct. XI, 115; Aud. Acct. 1779-80, 147; C. J. 1786-7, 318; C. J. 1787-9, 615; C. J. 1789-91, 47; H. D. Oct. 1778, 7; H. D. Oct. 1792, 132; Pen.: War 8, 18; War 20, 62; Larkin Sandidge Aud. Acct. XVIII, 694; Putten [Pulliam] Sandidge Aud. Acct. XVIII, 694; Wm. Sandidge H. D. May 1783, 36; Augustine Sandridge (Q. M. 6th Va. Regt.) Heitman, 355. Austin Sandridge (Lt.) B. W. Larkin Sandridge War 4, 340.

From Virginia State Library Report 1911-12. Austin Sandidge (Q. M.) 6th Va. Regt. W. D. 121, 1. Austin Sandidge 6th Va. Regt. W. D. 126, 1. Joseph Sandidge 6th Va. Regt. W. D. 126, 1. Augustine Sandridge (Q. M.) 2nd. Va. Regt. W. D. 30, 6. Austin Sandridge (Lt.) 2nd. Va. Regt. Force Trans. V. 102, 8, 34.

Pay Rolls of Militia entitled to Bounty Land, 1851. Waller Sandidge and Robert T. Sandidge, Amherst County Capt. Wm. Coleman's Co., 90th Regt. War 1812.

DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM AND ANN (PULLIAM) SANDIDGE

I. MARY SANDIDGE, (daughter of William & Ann Sandidge), married Anthony Gholson, Jr. of Spotsylvania Co. and had at least three children:

1. William Gholson soldier of Rev. 6th Va. Regt.
2. Sarah Gholson m. Charles Powell.
3. Joseph Gholson.
4. And perhaps a son Anthony; and others.

⁴Crozier: *Records of Spotsylvania County, Virginia.*