August 17, 1980

Adm. O'Breirne Arlington, Va.

Sir:

As for your letter of Aug. 15. Know that you have been into and seen "The Colonial Records" by Saunders book. However, you kept referring to material that is not available from it or from Clarks material. So you therefor receive a copy of the index page that would show the material which you wish.

As for Anns Administrator Bond, kI would be rather proud of that almost unreadable piece of material. With this item can be combined a document showing that Ann is the mother of William Jr. and you have the proof.

Ann was a very special person to be appointed Adm. and you should be proud of your decent from someone zwith the prestege Ann must have had.

Perhaps you would have had better luck in N.C. if you had merely stated what you were trying to prove rather than where we should look. I spent a great deal of time trying to find things which are totally nonexistant. If you had ask only for the proof and not gone on about the "Colonial Records" and the counties, perhaps the proof would off surfaced.

Anns bond is not so bad that her relationship to William is not provable. Even the note on the back of the bond is proof enough coming from the N.C. State Archives. (Pg. 2).

Don't worry I will not spend any more time on the Ormonds. I am only sorry that you seem to think that you can do better than was done. I pride myself on giving my clients as complete a search as they will allow and am more than generous with my time keeping.

Am returning the Adm. Bond as it is of no use to me and despite your feelings about same, feel that it is important to your files on the Ormonds. Please forgive hurried typing - must get back to current business.

Sincerely,

Betty J. Camin

1039 26th Street, S. Arlington, Virginia 22202 15 August, 1980

Mrs. Edwin A. Camin 3123 Childers Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27612

Dear Mrs. Camin:

Your letter dated August 7, 1980, really amazed me. As you stated therein, I did not ask that any more research be done on the Ormonds. In fact, in my last letter, dated 24 July, 1980, I specifically said, "On the basis of your report there appears to be little to be gained from any further search of the Archives in Raleigh, so there is no need to request you to do further research on my wife's Ormond line."

The copies you sent me of pages of the Colonial Records index were already familiar to me, as should have been apparent from my letter. Also, neither these nor the virtually unreadable copy of the Administrator Bond naming Ann Ormond Administrator of William Ormond assist me in any way to prove the father/son relationship of the two William Ormonds. That proof was the sole purpose of my original request for your assistance, as I informed you at that time.

In view of these facts, I feel under no obligation, whatsoever, to reimburse you for unauthorized research time which produced none of the material that I desired. Accordingly, I am returning herewith the copies you forwarded to me in your last letter. To avoid any further misunderstanding, I now state categorically that I do not desire that you conduct any further research for me concerning the Ormonds of North Carolina.

All good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Frank O'Beirne Vice Admiral, U.S.N., Retired

August 7, 1980

Dear Admiral O'Beirne,

The North Carolina Historical Commission did not publish the volumes you saw. They were published under the supervision of the Trustees of the Public Libraries of N.C.

Where Saunders books end, Clarks start. Am enclosing The Colonial Records index pages for Ormond for you. As you can see, there are no matters that appear to prove the William, son of William business.

Have been searching further in the Secr'y of State papers and found the Administratour Bond naming Ann Ormond Adm. of William Ormond. Find copy enclosed. If you have trouble reading same, write and will find someone who will do what they cam.

You did not ask that any more research be done on the Ormonds and have spent about  $1 \frac{1}{2}$  hours so will leave it up to you about whether or not you pay me.

There are many different sources of material here that in no short period of time can all of them be covered. I shall not go on any other deliberate search for the Ormonds, but if I should run across the needed proof shall let you know.

Found in the papers also a folder on the Adm. of the estate of John Ormondy in 1722/23. Would suggest that you keep an open mind to the possibility that John could be the parent of Wyriott and William Sr. There are several papers for the Wyriotts, Jr. & Sr.

Sincerely,

Betty J. Camin

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Time 11/2 Hours Copies \$.40 ".60

1039 26th Street, S. Arlington, Virginia 22202 24 July, 1980

Mrs. E. A. Camin 3123 Childers Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27612

Dear Mrs. Camin:

My wife and Iwere very disappointed to read the results of your research on William Ormond, Sr., as reported in your letter dated 8 July, 1980. We were so certain that the Beaufort County Court records of 1750 would be available in the Archives that we considered only a brief search would be necessary to turn up the petition we wanted. In the Beaufort County Clerk's Office, I was advised that the old court records had been removed to the "Department of Archives and History", as I stated in my earlier letter to you. Is that the same as the "Archives"?

The Ormond family of N.C. is an old one which has been mentioned in several books and histories of the Colonial period. At least two family researchers also have mentioned a Journal kept by William Ormond, Jr. that contained date entries regarding his parents, himself and his family. This Journal was last reported to be in the hands of descendants named Turnage, some of whom still reside in Ayden. (this Journal is not to be confused with one written by Wm. Ormond, III, a Methodist preacher, that is available in the Duke University library) William, Jr's Journal and several Family Bibles undoubtedly provided the specific dates which I obtained and quoted. I have photocopies of the entries in an old Edwards Bible; on one page it gives the date of birth of William Ormond, Jr., and data about his marriage. These dates were accepted many years ago by the DAR, who also accepted William Ormond for listing as a Patriot.

Ann Adams, the widow of Abraham Adams, who became the wife of William Ormond, Sr., was the daughter of Ann Darden who, upon the death of her first husband, Jacob Darden, remarried and became Ann Darden Leigh. The latter's will is on file and mentions her daughter, Ann Adams. By checking dates it is clearly evident that Ann Adams was born Ann Darden, and not Ann Leigh. Ann Darden Leigh and her first husband, Jacob Darden, are mentioned in Ray's Index and Digest to Hathaway's Register, 1945. Ann Leigh also is mentioned in "Lost Tribes". With these and other references I have about the Ormonds, it is not surprising that so many of the dates are available on them.

STATE ARCHIVES

You remarked that the North Carolina (Historical Society had never published any of their records, yet I distinctly recall examining about a dozen volumes in the DAR library in Washington, D.C. which were entitled "North Carolina Historical Commission". That library also has several volumes entitled "Colonial Records of North Carolina", by Saunders (who was N.C. Secretary of State), with a foreword indicating these volumes were published by the N.C.H.C. William Ormond, Sr. is mentioned on pp. 345-346 of Vol. 4 of these Colonial Records of North Carolina". I saw them but did not note who published them; could it have been anyone else besides the N.C.H.C. ?

I do not believe there is any reason to look at the records of any other counties for data on William Ormond, Sr. He lived and died in Beaufort County. William, Jr. was born in Beaufort County and is known to have moved to Dobbs County in 1768, where he resided thereafter. I have all I need, though, on William, Jr. On the basis of your report there appears to be little to be gained from any further search of the Archives in Raleigh, so there is no need to request you to do further research on my wife's Ormond line. Thank you for your efforts to obtain the information we wanted.

Frank O'Beirne

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## To summarize, then, we would like for you to:

<u>Priority 1.</u> Examine the records of the Department of Archives and History for the guardianship petition filed in 1750 in the Beaufort County Court by or in behalf of William Ormond, Jr. If found, we would like a Zerox copy of the complete document or, if necessary, a photocopy of it together with an indication of the location of the petition.

<u>Priority 2.</u> Examine the records of the N.C. Historical Commission for the statement reported to be there regarding the 1750 petition of William Ormond, Jr. If found, we would like either a Zerox or verbatim copy of the statement, together with an indication of the volume and page number where it appears.

<u>Priority</u> 3. Search the records of the N.C. Historical Commission, as time permits, in an endeavor to locate a chart or genealogical record of the family of William Ormond, Sr.

I am enclosing my check in the amount of  $\frac{5}{4}5.00$ , to cover payment in advance for four hours of your research time to accomplish the priority 1 and priority 2 items listed above, and as much of the priority 3 search as the remaining time permits. A more extended search for the Ormond family chart or genealogy is not desired. The additional five dollars is for Zerox or photocopy charges; I shall be glad to send more if photocopy charges exceed this amount.

All good wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank O'Beirne Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy, Retired



1039 26th Street, S. Arlington, Virginia 22202 23 June, 1980

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Mrs. E. A. Camin 3123 Childers Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27612

Dear Mrs. Camin:

I have received your schedule of research fees, in response to my recent letter. Considering the general rate of inflation over the past few years, your fees do not appear unreasonable, so I would like to have you do some research in Raleigh for us.

My wife was Grace Henley Thomas, of Selma Alabama. She has two principal ancestral lines which originated in North Carolina: Thomas and Ormond. The Thomases were in Edgecombe County. Her Ormonds were first in Beaufort County, then Dobbs, which later became Greene County. We may wish to have some research done at a later date on the Thomas family; at the present time, however, we are concentrating on the Ormonds.

If you have not done previous research on the Ormonds, some background information probably would be helpful to you. Three Ormond lines apparently originated in N.C. The founders were William Ormond, Sr., Wyriott Ormond, Sr., and James Ormond. They probably were brothers. Wyriott Ormond was a resident of Bath Town (Beaufort Co.); he was a large landowner, a lawyer, a politician and holder of several state and county positions. James Ormond was a resident of Mechlenburg County, as were his immediate descendants; he and his son are buried there.

William Ormond, Sr., founder of the line in which we are interested, was born 16 Dec 1696; died 20 Sep 1739, in Beaufort Co. He married Ann Darden Adams, a widow, on 25 July 1735. She was the daughter of Ann (Darden) Leigh and was born in 1707, died 2 Feb 1750. William and Ann Adams Ormond had three children: Everard died in infancy; Betsy was born 18 Sep 1737, married John Wright on 6 Jan 1758 and died 18 Feb the same year, leaving no issue. William Ormond, Jr. was born 8 Dec 1738. He married Anne Watkins, daughter of a Pitt County farmer, on 15 June 1762. They moved to Dobbs County, now Greene County, N.C. in 1768. William Ormond, Jr., died 4 Mar 1815 in Greene Co. Anne Watkins Ormond was born 21 Feb 1744 and died 6 Mar 1795 in Greene Co. They had eight children.

The descendants of William Ormond, Jr. married into many prominent N.C. families; these included Sugg, Grimsley, Dixon, Edwards, Hart, Harper, Mosley, Albritton, Taylor, Turnage and Kilpatrick. I have rather voluminous records of many branches of the William Ormond family, due to the fact that several family members have been amateur genealogists, as I am. I have been able to secure copies of the notes, records and supporting documents of many of these people.

Based on my accumulated data, I drew up the enclosed chart in 1971. I now have additional data on the more recent generations and have even acquired a fair amount of information on branches of this family which are not shown.

William Ormond, Sr. was a large landholder. He obtained several original land grants in Beaufort Co. and bought a number of additional tracts. He was named a Justice of the Peace in Beaufort Co., and also Sheriff, in 1738, just a year before his death. William Ormond, Jr. also was a landholder in both Beaufort

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and Greene Counties. He obtained a few land grants in the early 1770's and purchased other property in Greene Co.

My wife recently applied for DAR membership, based on her descent from William Ormond, Jr., who is listed in the DAR Patriots' Index. We submitted a total of 22 supporting documents, including copies of family bible entries, wills, deeds, and birth and death certificates. We think we have sufficient proof for every relationship and every date and place listed, from William Ormond, Jr. on down to the present.

So far, however, we have been unable to find any source document to prove that William Ormond, Jr. was the son of William Ormond, Sr. The latter apparently left no will. We believe, though, that at least one official document exists which would prove this father/son relationship. It is a 1750 record of a proceeding in the Beaufort County Court. According to other Ormond family researchers, the following item appears in the records of the N.C. Historical Commission, Raleigh, N.C. :

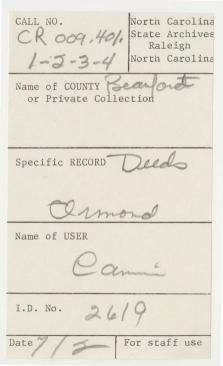
"In 1750, upon the death of Ann Adams Ormond, widow of William Ormond, Sr., their son, William Ormond, Jr., became an orphan at the age of 12. He petitioned the Beaufort County Court to appoint John Allison as his guardian; the latter and . Joseph Adams (stepbrother) and James Campbell executed a bond in the sum of \$300 for the faithful discharge of the guardianship."

Thinking we might find a record of this petition in the Beaufort Co. Court House -- and that the petition would contain the names of both parents of William Ormond, Jr. -- my wife and I recently visited Washington, N.C., county seat of Beaufort Co. We found, unfortunately, that all old court records, including those of 1750, had been removed several years ago to the Department of Archives and History in Raleigh.

We would like to obtain a copy of that petition and the action of the court in regard to it. Zerox copies would be entirely satisfactory; if the record cannot be zeroxed, I would like a legible photocopy. I also would like a statement of the location of the record: book, folio, etc., and page number.

The statement quoted above that is attributed to the N.C. Historical Commission might, of course, be considered proof itself of the father/son relationship of these William Ormonds. I cannot say positively, though, that such a statement does in fact appear in a volume of the N.C. Historical Commission. If it would not consume too much time, I would like to have confirmation of the quoted statement, and would at least like a verbatim copy of the paragraph, with a notation of the volume and page where it appears.

In some Ormond family researchers' notes I found comments indicating that Ormond family charts or genealogies may appear in some records of the N.C. Historical Commission, or in a volume of the Colonial Records of N.C. I have not found anything of this sort in the various volumes of the Colonial Records that are located in the DAR library in Washington, D.C. That library apparently does not contain all the records of the Historical Commission, so I am unable to say with certainty that it is or is not in those records. If, therefore, you are sufficiently familiar with the Commission records in Raleigh so that they could be searched without the expenditure of a great deal of time and effort, we would like to obtain a copy of whatever William Ormond family genealogy might be contained in the Commission records. We would not be interested in the life or activities of the William Ormonds, or in the various positions they held, for I believe we have all this. Also, data on Wyriott Ormond or James Ormond, or their descendants, is <u>not</u> desired.



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13 June, 1980

Ms. Betty J. Camin 3123 Childers Street Raleigh, N.C. 27612

Dear Ms. Camin:

I noticed your advertisement in the Genealogical Helper. My wife is a descendant of William Ormond, Sr. (1696-1739) of Beaufort County, N.C. His son, William, Jr., was a resident of Greene County, N.C.

Some data we wish to obtain about this family apparently is located in the Department of Archives and History in Raleigh. We also may wish to locate some data from reports of the N.C. Historical Commission in Raleigh.

Please let me know what your rates are for such work in Raleigh. Enclosed is a SASE.

Sincerely yours,

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