



RE: William R Powe1 message

Mon, Feb 26, 2018 at 9:08 AM

Leon,

Conflating, yes indeed. Here in DC I have looked through DAR folders that make a claim for membership, and the Poe files are a mess. They don't seem to want to talk to me about it – seems once people get through and become members, they don't visit the information. Two are really horrible.

John Poe of VA. In fact, this is the family of a Balzer Poe of German origin that settled around Winchester, VA and after the war of 1812 got land in Ohio . . . but the file conflates this family with a different Poe family that ended up on Johnson County, IN and may be the same John Poe who was in the 1771 Silar City, Chatham County, NC muster roll of 1771. And as I recall, that wasn't the only confusion.

Then there is the Samuel Poe of Culpeper County, who line William Eric Poe of the DNA project is in . . . and is almost surely son or grandson of William Poe/Lydia not least because that family has always lived in the same area of VA. But he is conflated with the English Samuel Poe who was in the French and Indian War and settled finally in Campbell Co, VA (and about whom I know nothing – did he marry, had children? Never seen any records), and there are other confusions over which of these Samuel Poe is which). But from the Samuel Poe of Culpeper County, the family line to Eric Poe is well researched.

I don't think I have really dug into the various Rev War claims for any of the William Poe, though I am pretty sure that the William Poe in the muster roll of 1771 and John Poe in the same roll moved together to Wilkes County, NC in the 1787 census. I am not sure what happened to either, but there are lots of theories about them. It is believed (by me at least) that this William Poe and John Poe were close kin to Stephen Poe who got Rev War land in Franklin Co, GA and whose family (and maybe him) ended up in Benton / Calhoun County, Alabama. And also a close kin relationship with the Rev War Henry Poe whose family seems to have moved into TN. Then there is Edmond Poe also connected, especially to Stephen Poe . . . and he did end up in Benton / Calhoun County, AL.

There is also a Rev War connection with the Thomas Powe family of Cheraw Dist, SC and a William Erasmus Poe. This William Poe makes an appearance in Wilkes Co. NC in 1792, but I think it was a business dealing – that family seems to have gone into the lumber business.

Not very helpful I realize 😊

William

From: [Leon J Lyell](#)

Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 7:50 AM

To: [William Poe](#)

Subject: Re: William R Powe

Hi William,

Thanks for this. I'll certainly let you see Leonard's results and documents he sends me. So far he's only sent me the court record for John Poe and his other remarks have been about what's he's been looking through. He delays drawing a line to say that's as far as he can go but I think we'll be at that point soon.

Where we're at seems to be that WRP is 'probably' associated with Wm Powe the Rev War veteran who died in Garrard County and who is the certain ancestor of Eva Monnet's ancestor William Poe who married Sally Harris. It's a great pity that none of Eva's Poe cousins have taken part in the project as that could confirm a connection; or even if it didn't and linked to others that may be of some help geographically. Rev War William is associated with a 'John Poe' who pays tax in Garrard and lived close by Rev War William so is probably a relative and the John Poe who served with William. But there's no record of his marriage or what became of him.

I'll review what I have so far and get back to you with my next best guess of a possible connection worth checking. Because there are so many documentary gaps and some unattached people it feels like anything is still possible through some options are less probable than others. In addition to unmatched Poes (like mine), there are unattached Poe's not linked to the DNA project. For example, the Col Wm Poe from Richmond who had been claimed by one of WRP's daughters now seems to be a different and older person. He left VA and freed his slave and no-one seems to have claimed his 1812 entitlements and although he married I can't find any record of children though I'd guess there were some. It feels like some of the online genealogies conflate different people into one and link people too easily, all of which opens up lots more options. It feels like it could be a decade-long project to sift all the 18C VA Poe / Powe and similar families - to say nothing of the rest.

More soon,

Leon

On Sun, Feb 25, 2018 at 12:13 AM, William Poe

Attached is an export of the DNA results.

Hi William,

I've attached a copy of what I can see which doesn't include the full name of the participant or their earliest known paternal ancestor.

Leonard is pushing ahead with 'where the documents lead' which is the only way to go I think. He (and I) feels uneasy about ruling out options such as William and Lydia because we can't be sure whether the possible descendant who is in the project has documented his link. There are a couple of others in a similar boat. Is it possible to see the documentation related to each claim? I guess the only place I could obtain this from the member themselves. If so are you happy to let me have their contact details or should I put up a general note on the DNA group's 'Activity Feed'? I'd be happy to show you a draft first.

It looks like the Essex county groups have enough results to allow firm conclusions, but the other 'groups' have very small samples.

Thanks,

Leon

On Wed, Feb 21, 2018 at 11:11 PM, William Poe <

Look at the colorized Y DNA chart. I have sub-grouped everyone by haplogroup. They are all there, but I am not sure if they have their information marked public. That may e why you don't see them.

From: [Leon J Lyell](#)

Sent: Wednesday, February 21, 2018 2:27 AM

To: [William Poe](#)

Subject: Re: William R Powe

Dear William,

Leonard Butts has been bitten by the bug about finding William Romulus Po(w)e's parents and I feel that he's putting more time into the project to try and find some more concrete answer. So, whatever the outcome I'll be happy to recommend him.

We've had some discussion about the DNA. Although I let him know that the DNA evidence suggested that William and Lydia of Orange County VA might be discounted I ended up saying that I thought he should follow where the documentation lead.

At the moment he is focussing on Garrard County court records which 'should' exist for John Poe and two mulatto children he brought from NC and which the Court took off him while it considered things. In spite of this, he doesn't think there was time for the Poes to be to and fro between NC and KY regularly. This John is in a few tax records but he disappears by 1810 and there's no evidence of his marriage. He is a possible candidate for WRP's

father. It looks like WRP lived in the same household as the other William Powe of about the same age whose father was William the Rev War vet from Orange. This is the current operating theory.

I thought you'd be interested in the attached points about the DNA evidence. They're probably not new to you but I've been forced to think about them. I'm interested in any responses you have including anywhere I have missed something obvious.

When he completes his work, I will, of course, let you know all the outcomes.

Cheers,

Leon

Hi William

Looks like Leonard Butts thorough research cannot solve the mystery. He'll write up what he has found which helps narrow the focus and gives me a little more detail about Garrard Co but it looks like there are too many missing docements.

DNA data should help but i think there haven't been enough participants.

His research leads back to Orange Co and surrounds and suggests William and Lydia, but there are too many gaps and silences. If DNA hadn't ruled out Marsom he would have thought that a fruitful lead.

Regards,

Leon

Sent from my Samsung device



The image shows a screenshot of a financial data table, likely from a stock market website. The table has multiple columns, including what appears to be a ticker symbol, a company name, and various numerical values. The data is organized into several sections, with some rows highlighted in different colors (blue, red, green). The table is dense with information, and the text is small, making it difficult to read individual values. The overall layout is typical of a financial data feed or a stock market analysis tool.

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