

DNA Testing allows identification of likely ancestors of  
Jesse Ellis of Northampton, Summit County, Ohio

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Jesse Ellis of Northampton, Summit County, Ohio [and later Georgetown, Ottawa County, Michigan] was a soldier in the Ohio militia during the War of 1812.<sup>1</sup> That the Jesse Ellis of Northampton was the same Jesse Ellis who enlisted in August 1812 at Canton, Ohio in the company commanded by Captain James Downing can be documented by sworn statements which can be found in the Pension File for Jesse and his wife Sarah. While living in Summit County in 1851, Jesse provided a sworn statement that he enlisted at Canton in Captain James Downing Company in the fall of 1812.<sup>2</sup> A similar statement was provided by Jesse while living in Ottawa County, Michigan in 1871.<sup>3</sup> These two sworn statements match the record provided by the Adjutant General of Ohio in which Jesse is identified as the Fifer in this company of men who were believed to have been from Jefferson County, Ohio. These documents provide information regarding Jesse Ellis, which are the earliest documented events in his life, other than his estimated date and place of birth being about 1786 and somewhere in Virginia.<sup>4</sup> The early life of Jesse Ellis, prior to his enlistment at age of about twenty-six, has been a mystery.

Having been born about 1786, it is possible that Jesse Ellis either arrived in Ohio along with his family (if he arrived prior to around 1804) or possibly arrived in Ohio alone or with family (if he arrived after around 1804). One possibility is that since Jesse Ellis was enlisted into the Ohio militia at Canton, Ohio into a company of men believed to have been from Jefferson County that he may have had roots in the general vicinity of Canton or Jefferson County. This limited information only provides a couple of clues about the early life of Jesse Ellis from which to conduct additional research: (1) he was born in Virginia in about 1786, and (2) he was likely living, prior to 1812, in the vicinity of Jefferson County or an area which may have provided soldiers for a company formed in Canton, Ohio. The area which became Jefferson County was generally settled after the land office opened in Steubenville in 1801. Sometime following the War of 1812 and prior to the 1820 census, Jesse settled in Northampton, Ohio which was initially part of Portage County and later became part of Summit County.

A review of databases containing early Ohio tax lists provided a list of the names of Ellis men by year and by where they paid taxes. This list is provided in Appendix A. Review of this list and

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<sup>1</sup> U.S. Census, Northampton, Portage County, Ohio (1820); U.S. Census, Northampton, Summit County, Ohio (1830, 1840, 1850), U.S. Census, Georgetown, Ottawa County, Michigan (1860, 1870); War of 1812 Pension File 4248, (NARA); Military Service File, (NARA); *Roster of Ohio Soldiers in the War of 1812*, p. 61.

<sup>2</sup> Declaration for Bounty Land; 21 March 1851; Jesse Ellis; aged 66 years; resident of Northampton, State of Ohio, Summit County; musician in Captain James Downing's company; was drafted at Stark County on or about the fall season of 1812; honorably discharged the first time at Lower Sandusky and honorably discharged the second time at Detroit in February 1815 after serving as a substitute for another man.

<sup>3</sup> Declaration for Pension, War of 1812; 25 March 1871; Jesse Ellis; aged 85 years; resident of Georgetown, County of Ottawa, State of Michigan; wife's name was Sarah McMillan; married at Detroit, Michigan; musician in Captain James Downer's [sic] Company; enlisted middle of August 1812 at Canton, Stark County, Ohio.

<sup>4</sup> Jesse Ellis' date and place of birth can be estimated using his sworn statements which are contained in his pension file [he stated in March 1851 that he was age 66, and stated in March 1871 he was age 85] as well as the information contained in the 1850 census [age 64, born Virginia] and 1870 census [age 84, born in Virginia].

mapping the locations on a political map of Ohio for the year 1807 helps identify the most likely candidates who may have had a connection to the Jesse Ellis who enlisted at Canton in 1812. The general locations where Ellis men paid taxes can be compared to our target locations of Canton and Jefferson County in Exhibit 1.

Lieutenant Samuel Ellis, Private Jeremiah Ellis, and Private Jesse Ellis were members of Captain John Campbell's Mounted Company which served during 1814 and was believed to have formed in Ross County, Ohio.<sup>5</sup> These men are believed to have been sons of Nathan Ellis of Adams County. Exhibit 2 provides the locations where the rest of the Ellis men [from the list in Appendix A] resided at the time they paid taxes. The vicinity of where they paid taxes is able to be compared to the relative location of Ross County as this is where Captain John Campbell's Mounted Company was believed to have formed and included Ellis men from nearby Adams County. We can distinguish the Jesse Ellis of Captain Campbell's company in 1814 from the Jesse Ellis who enlisted at Canton, Ohio in 1812 using the sworn testimony of Jesse Ellis, the list prepared by the Ohio Adjutant General, and from military service records which show that Jesse Ellis (1786-1878) served in Captain Augustine's company at the same time the other Jesse Ellis served in Captain Campbell's company. While not definitive, this appears to confirm the supposition that men who enlisted in the various companies in the Ohio militia generally did so in the general vicinity of their homes. This seems to further suggest that we look for the family of Jesse Ellis (1786-1878) in the general vicinity of Canton [where he enlisted] and Jefferson County [where the men in this company were believed to have been from].

Even with these clues, we are not able to distinguish which of the men, identified in Exhibit 1, are the best match to be the prospective father of Jesse Ellis. The next logical step would be to research all of them and attempt to eliminate those who had not been married and living in Virginia at the time Jesse was born [1786]. Of the list of names in Exhibit 1, we were only able to identify the origins of one man, Jeremiah Ellis. As will be shown later, based on his sworn statement, Jeremiah Ellis lived in Brooke County, Virginia between 1781 and 1801, lived in Jefferson County, Ohio between 1801 and 1807, and was married in 1779. This certainly places him as a likely candidate as the father of Jesse Ellis, but we still have other candidates whom we do not know enough to either rule in or rule out, and we are likely at the end of the road using conventional genealogical tools.

Not that many years ago being able to identify which Ellis family was the ancestral family of Jesse Ellis would have been extremely difficult to do with any certainty. This may even have been the end of this research, with little opportunity to further investigate who was a possible or likely father of Jesse Ellis. Today, we have the tools of genetic genealogy from which to potentially establish or confirm a paternal bloodline. A descendant of Jesse Ellis in a continuous paternal line agreed to provide his cousins who were doing this research with a cheek swab sample which was tested to determine his paternal ancestor's yDNA. The results of yDNA testing have so far yielded two men whose yDNA are exact matches [37 out of 37 markers] to the descendant of Jesse Ellis who was tested.<sup>6</sup> One of these men is a descendant of James and

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<sup>5</sup> *Roster of Ohio Soldiers in the War of 1812*, p.

<sup>6</sup> The results from two additional Ellis men have been found to match at 36 out of 37 markers suggesting a common ancestor within 12 generations. At this time, no common links have been found between these two men and the

Mary (Veatch) Ellis through their oldest son Nathan Ellis and the other man is a descendant of James and Mary (Veatch) Ellis through their youngest son James Ellis. Exhibit 3 has been prepared to show how the two participants who are descended from two of the sons of James Ellis Sr. [Participants “A” and “B”] are possibly related to the descendant of Jesse Ellis [Participant “C”]. As can be seen from this exhibit, it would be possible that Jesse Ellis was a son of one of the sons of James Ellis Sr., or was a son of one of the nephews of James Ellis Sr., or was a son of one of the cousins of James Ellis Sr. who was in a continuous paternal line to an Ellis ancestor in common with James Ellis Sr. The farther removed that the relationship is between the father of Jesse Ellis and James Ellis Sr., the greater the possibility that the yDNA signature between Participant “C” and the other two participants would have a deviation due to a mutation than for it to be an exact match. Therefore, based on genetic genealogy, we now know that we should concentrate our research efforts on the James Ellis Sr. family [who had six sons who were early Ohio settlers] and other close relatives who share a common paternal ancestor with James Ellis Sr. in our quest to identify the likely father of Jesse Ellis.

*A History of Adams County, Ohio* provides some information on the Ellis family headed by James and Mary (Veatch) Ellis.<sup>7</sup>

*Nathan, Jeremiah, Samuel, Hezekiah, James and Jesse, all sons of James Ellis and Mary Veatch, his wife, came to this section from the neighborhood of Brownsville on the Monongahela River, some sixty miles above Pittsburg, in 1795. Mr. and Mrs. James Ellis came from Wales early in the eighteenth century and settled first in Maryland, where after spending a few years, they emigrated to Western Pennsylvania, where Mr. Ellis died some time after the Revolutionary War. There is nothing to show that there were any daughters in the family.*

*In the Spring of 1795, Captain Nathan Ellis and his five brothers embarked on boats at Brownsville and floated on down past Pittsburg into the Ohio, looking for homes in the mighty forests and fertile lands of the then almost unknown Northwest Territory.*

*Nathan Ellis built the first home in what is known as Aberdeen... Samuel Ellis settled in Higginsport, eighteen miles below. James opened up a farm near the present site of Georgetown. Jeremiah Ellis bought land near Bentonville. Hezekiah Ellis founded a home of the waters of Eagle Creek, and Jesse Ellis entered a tract on what is now known as Brooks Bar; three miles east of Aberdeen.*

While later Ellis researchers have identified that some of the details of the above story are likely a bit romanticized fiction, the basic details that there had been six sons of James and Mary (Veatch) Ellis who eventually settled in the Adams/Brown County area of southern Ohio has been shown by others to be historically accurate.<sup>8</sup>

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other three, although if a common ancestor is found it may allow further investigation into (and possible confirmation of) the Ellis ancestors of James Ellis, Sr. (who married Mary Veatch).

<sup>7</sup> Nelson W. Evans and Emmons B. Stivers, *A History of Adams County, Ohio from its earliest settlement to the present time*, (E.B. Stivers, West Union, Ohio, 1900), p. 662.

<sup>8</sup> Harold W. Boles and David B. Boles, *Ellis Ancestors: Some Immigrants, Colonists, and Pioneers*, (typescript, 1994), p.

The next criteria to consider was whether any of these men had already been married and resided in Virginia around 1786, suggesting the possibility that any may have been the father of Jesse Ellis. Most of the family of James Ellis, Sr. can be identified together in the 1790 census for Washington County, Pennsylvania.

James Ellis, Sr.	1 male >16	1 male <16	2 females
Nathan Ellis	1 male >16	5 males <16	3 females
Jesse Ellis	1 male >16	1 male <16	3 females
Hezekiah Ellis	1 male >16	0 male <16	4 females
James Ellis, Jr.	1 male >16	1 male <16	1 females

As we are looking for Ellis men who would have been living in Virginia prior to 1790, we are looking in this list for not who is present, but for who is absent. From this list, we know that Samuel Ellis and Jeremiah Ellis were no longer living in Washington County by 1790. We can next look for other records which might identify where these two brothers were living and when.

Samuel Ellis was a soldier during the Revolutionary War and provided a sworn statement in support of his pension application in 1834. In response to the question “where were you living when called into service; where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live,” Samuel answered "I was living in Washington County, Pennsylvania where I lived 7 years then removed to Ohio County Virginia where I resided 12 years thence I removed to the Northwestern Territory now State of Ohio in Brown County where I now live." This suggests that Samuel Ellis would have been living in Ohio County, Virginia in 1790, although from the way he answered the question we are not sure exactly what year he moved to Virginia. It appears probable that Samuel Ellis was in Virginia between 1781 and 1793 based on his statement.<sup>9</sup> It appears likely that if Samuel Ellis moved to what is now Brown County, Ohio around 1795 [when Jesse Ellis would have been less than age ten] that Jesse Ellis would have grown up in southern Ohio and not as likely to have been in northeastern Ohio at the time of the War of 1812. In addition, Samuel Ellis had a number of children believed to have been born around the time that Jesse Ellis was born and none of them was our Jesse Ellis. This seems to suggest that Samuel Ellis was not the father of Jesse Ellis (1786-1878).

Samuel’s brother, Jeremiah Ellis, was also a soldier during the Revolutionary War and provided a sworn statement in support of his pension application in 1838. The sworn statement of Jeremiah Ellis says, in part, the following.

“On this ninth day of May 1838 personally appeared in open court before the Court of Common Pleas of Brown County aforesaid Jeremiah Ellis a resident of Brown County, Ohio aged eighty four years the 21 Jany last who being first duly sworn...”<sup>10</sup>

<sup>9</sup> If Samuel Ellis was using 1774 as the year when his family is believed to have arrived in Washington County as the starting point and we add 7 years to that for the number of years he remained in Washington County we arrive at the year 1781 as when he moved to Ohio County and if we add an additional 12 years to that we arrive at 1793 as the year he removed to Brown County, Ohio.

<sup>10</sup> This places Jeremiah Ellis’ date of birth at 21 January 1754.

“That at the time of his entering the Army he resided in Washington County Pennsylvania.”

“That he was born in Frederick County State of Maryland & lived there until he was going on twenty one years of age when he removed with his father to Washington County Penna. & lived there on the Monongahela River.”<sup>11</sup>

“After the term of service aforesaid had expired he lived with his father in Washington Penna till he married in the year 1779 then he purchased land in Brook County Virginia & settled on it in 1781 & lived there until the Land office was opened at Steubenville for the sale of land in what is now the State of Ohio, when he sold his farm in Virginia & bought land in Ohio in Jefferson County and moved there & resided there until the year 1807 when he removed to ~~Eagle Creek in~~<sup>12</sup> what is now the County of Brown (Ohio) where he has resided ever since & still resides.”

This squarely places Jeremiah Ellis as living in Virginia at the time Jesse Ellis was born and also places him in Jefferson County, Ohio between 1801 and 1807.

The next step was to attempt to identify whether any of the six sons of James and Mary (Veatch) Ellis resided in the vicinity of Canton or Jefferson County prior to the War of 1812. The only names from Exhibit 1 who seem to meet the criteria are Jesse Ellis (Trumbull County), James Ellis (Trumbull County), and Jeremiah Ellis (Jefferson County). We are not sure whether or not the Jesse Ellis or James Ellis who were on the Trumbull County tax lists were sons of James Ellis, Sr. or not, but we are sure that the Jeremiah Ellis who was on the Jefferson County tax lists was a son of James Ellis, Sr. The fact that the sons of James Ellis Sr. who were named Jesse and James were living in Pennsylvania at the time Jesse Ellis (1786-1878) was born in Virginia seems to eliminate these two from consideration as possibly being his father anyway, leaving Jeremiah Ellis as the only son of James Ellis, Sr. who both paid taxes in the vicinity of Canton, Ohio prior to the War of 1812 and who also lived in Virginia around 1786 when Jesse Ellis was born.

Exhibit 4 provides a map of the locations where Jeremiah Ellis was born, where he lived between 1774 and 1781, where he lived between 1781 and 1801, where he lived between 1801 and 1807, and where he lived from 1807 through at least 1838. Also provided on this map are the locations where Jesse Ellis enlisted in 1812 and where he is identified as living at the time of the 1820 U.S. census. Based on this exhibit, and the information provided above, it appears probable that Jesse Ellis was a son of Jeremiah Ellis and was born in what is now Brooke County, West Virginia in about 1786.

The company in which Jesse Ellis enlisted at Canton, Ohio in August 1812 was commanded by Captain James Downing. Harold Boles, author of the typescript *Ellis Ancestors: Some Immigrants*,

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<sup>11</sup> This statement made by Jeremiah, identifies the year when the James Ellis Sr. family arrived at Washington County, Pennsylvania. Jeremiah was born in January 1754 and he stated that his father moved the family when he was going on age 21, suggesting they moved into Washington County about 1774.

<sup>12</sup> These words were struck through but are clearly legible. Apparently the description of where within Brown County he lived was not needed in responding to the question so was struck leaving only the County and State.

*Colonists, and Pioneers*, was descended from a descendant of James Ellis Sr. who also had \_\_\_\_\_ Downing as an ancestor. The James Downing who was captain of the company of Ohio militia in which Jesse Ellis enlisted at Canton was also a descendant of \_\_\_\_\_ Downing. Boles identifies that the family of Captain James Downing had migrated from Frederick County, Maryland to Washington County, Pennsylvania prior to settling near Canton, Ohio. This suggests a common migration route for some of the early settlers in this region of Ohio prior to statehood. While this may be a coincidence, it seems to support the notion that Jesse Ellis may have been associated with an Ellis family which made a similar migration [being that of Jeremiah Ellis].

Based on yDNA test results, Jeremiah Ellis would have been either the father, or uncle, or cousin of Jesse Ellis (1786-1878). Based on information known about the lives of the five brothers of Jeremiah Ellis, it does not appear that any of them would have been the probable father of Jesse Ellis. Therefore, we can rule out the possibility of Jeremiah being Jesse's uncle, leaving only the possibility of Jeremiah Ellis being either Jesse's father or cousin. The most probable explanation seems to be that Jeremiah Ellis was the father of Jesse Ellis, as there were no records suggesting that either a brother or cousin or uncle of James Ellis Sr. made the same migration from Frederick County, Maryland to northeastern Ohio in the appropriate time period.

Exhibit 5 identifies the manner in which it is currently believed that the three men who provided yDNA samples which match exactly (37 out of 37 markers) are related to one another. The yDNA signature of these three men, which can be inferred as being that for their common ancestor, James Ellis Sr., is provided in Appendix B. It is hoped that this identification of the yDNA signature for James Ellis Sr. may allow others in the future to identify whether or not they may be descendants of any of the six Ellis brothers who were all early settlers of Ohio prior to statehood. In addition, as other Ellis men who believe that they have ancestors who were early settlers of Ohio [likely descended from many of the men who are listed in Appendix A] are tested for their yDNA signatures, it is likely that various groupings will be able to be made as to which of these early settlers were blood relatives of one another. It is possible that someday that the early settlers of Ohio with the surname Ellis may be separated into different clans which arrived in this country with different origins.

### Summary

It is believed that Jesse Ellis was a son of Jeremiah Ellis and was born in Brooke County, West Virginia about 1786.<sup>13</sup> Jeremiah Ellis was born in Frederick County, Maryland on 21 January 1754 and was one of six sons of James and Mary (Veatch) Ellis who moved from Frederick County, Maryland to Washington County, Pennsylvania in about 1774. Jeremiah Ellis moved to Brooke County, Virginia in 1781, removed to Jefferson County, Ohio in 1801, and removed to Brown County, Ohio in 1807 [to join his brothers who were early settlers of that area].<sup>14</sup> It is

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<sup>13</sup> The case for Jesse Ellis being the son of Jeremiah Ellis is presented earlier in this article. Jesse Ellis provided sworn statements during his life which suggests that he was born about 1786, plus the 1850 census at Northampton, Summit County, Ohio and the 1870 census at Georgetown, Ottawa County, Michigan identify that he was born about 1786 in Virginia. Jeremiah Ellis lived in Brooke County, Virginia between 1781 and 1801, suggesting that if he was the father of Jesse Ellis that Jesse would have been born in Brooke County, Virginia.

<sup>14</sup> The birth date and place for Jeremiah Ellis, along with the places where he lived during his lifetime were provided in his sworn statement in support of his pension application. Additional information is provided in the book by Boles and Boles.

believed that Jesse Ellis, and possibly some of his siblings who were the older children of Jeremiah Ellis, remained in the vicinity of Jefferson County when his father moved to Brown County. In August 1812, Jesse Ellis enlisted at Canton, Ohio into the company commanded by James Downing which was believed to have been made up of men from nearby Jefferson County. Jesse Ellis served for about six months in 1812-13, again for about six months in 1813-14, and finally at Detroit, Michigan from 23 September 1814 until 23 February 1815.<sup>15</sup> It is during his service at Detroit, that Jesse Ellis met Sarah McMillan who was a daughter of Ananias McMillan who was also a soldier at Detroit in 1814. Ananias McMillan was shot and scalped by Indians at Detroit on 15 September 1814.<sup>16</sup> The day before Jesse was discharged from the army at Detroit, he married Sarah McMillan and they eloped to Ohio. Sarah was only fourteen years old at the time. Jesse and Sarah (McMillan) Ellis lived at Northampton, Summit County, Ohio at the time of the 1820, 1830, 1840, and 1850 censuses. They removed to Rock Island, Illinois briefly along with one of their daughters and her family<sup>17</sup>, and then on to Georgetown, Ottawa County, Michigan [where a number of children's families had relocated] by the time of the 1860 census. Jesse and Sarah Ellis were recorded in the 1870 census at Georgetown and Jesse died on \_\_\_\_\_ 1878. Sarah Ellis was recorded as living with one of her sons in the 1880 census at Georgetown and was believed by the Pension office to have died prior to \_\_\_\_\_ 1888. Jesse and Sarah (McMillan) Ellis were the parents of fourteen children who lived past childhood, seven sons and seven daughters according to a biographical sketch written about their daughter Alcena (Ellis) Cox during her lifetime. Jesse and Sarah (McMillan) Ellis named one of their sons, Ananias McMillan Ellis [after Sarah's father who was killed by Indians], and named many of their children after other members of Sarah's family, such as Mary [after Sarah's mother Mary Kilbourn], Joseph [after Sarah's grandfather Joseph Kilbourn], Sarah [after Sarah's grandmother Sarah (Coe) Kilbourn], Archibald [after Sarah's grandfather Archibald McMillan], and Persis [after her mother's aunt, Persis Coe].

The children of Jesse and Sarah (McMillan) Ellis were:

- i. **Archibald Ellis**; m(1). Charlotte Mitchell; m(2). Sarah Cole
- ii. **Ananias McMillan Ellis**; m. Ruth Taylor
- iii. **John Ellis**; m. Ellen (\_\_\_\_)
- iv. **Joseph Ellis**; not believed to have married.
- v. **Jesse Ellis**; m. Sarah Ann Schoonover
- vi. **Nathan Ellis**; not believed to have married; buried at Nashville, Tennessee military cemetery [believed to have died on the battlefield during the Civil War].
- vii. **Seth McMillan Ellis**; m. Carrie Ann DeHart
- viii. **Harriet Ellis**; m. John Watson
- ix. **Ruth Ellis**; m. Benjamin Edson
- x. **Mary Ellis**; m. Andrew Tibbet
- xi. **Sarah Ellis**; m. Henry Tibbet
- xii. **Persis Ellis**; m. John Harbaugh
- xiii. **Alcena Ellis**; m. Edward Cox

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<sup>15</sup> *Roster of Ohio Soldiers in the War of 1812*, military service file for Jesse Ellis (NARA), pension file for Jesse Ellis (NARA).

<sup>16</sup> Patricia Thompson, *American Ancestors*, Spring 2012.

<sup>17</sup> 1855 census for Rock Island, Illinois.

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<sup>18</sup> Alcena Ellis identified that she was one of fourteen children, seven sons and seven daughters. This statement has provided researchers a target to work toward while identifying the children of Jesse and Sarah (McMillan) Ellis. The identity of the seventh daughter has not yet been discovered.

<sup>19</sup> <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ellissurnamedna/>



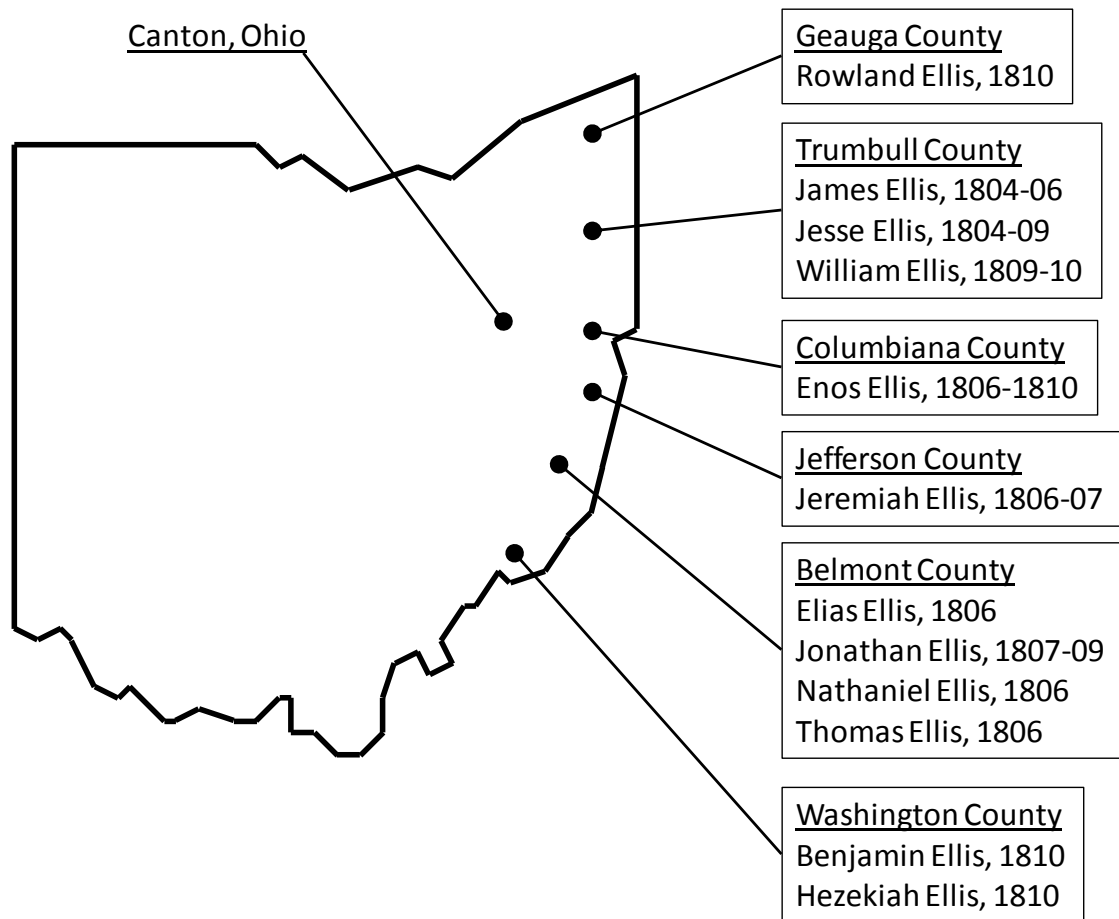


Exhibit 1 – Location of various Ellis taxpayers who were in the vicinity of Canton, Ohio and Jefferson County.

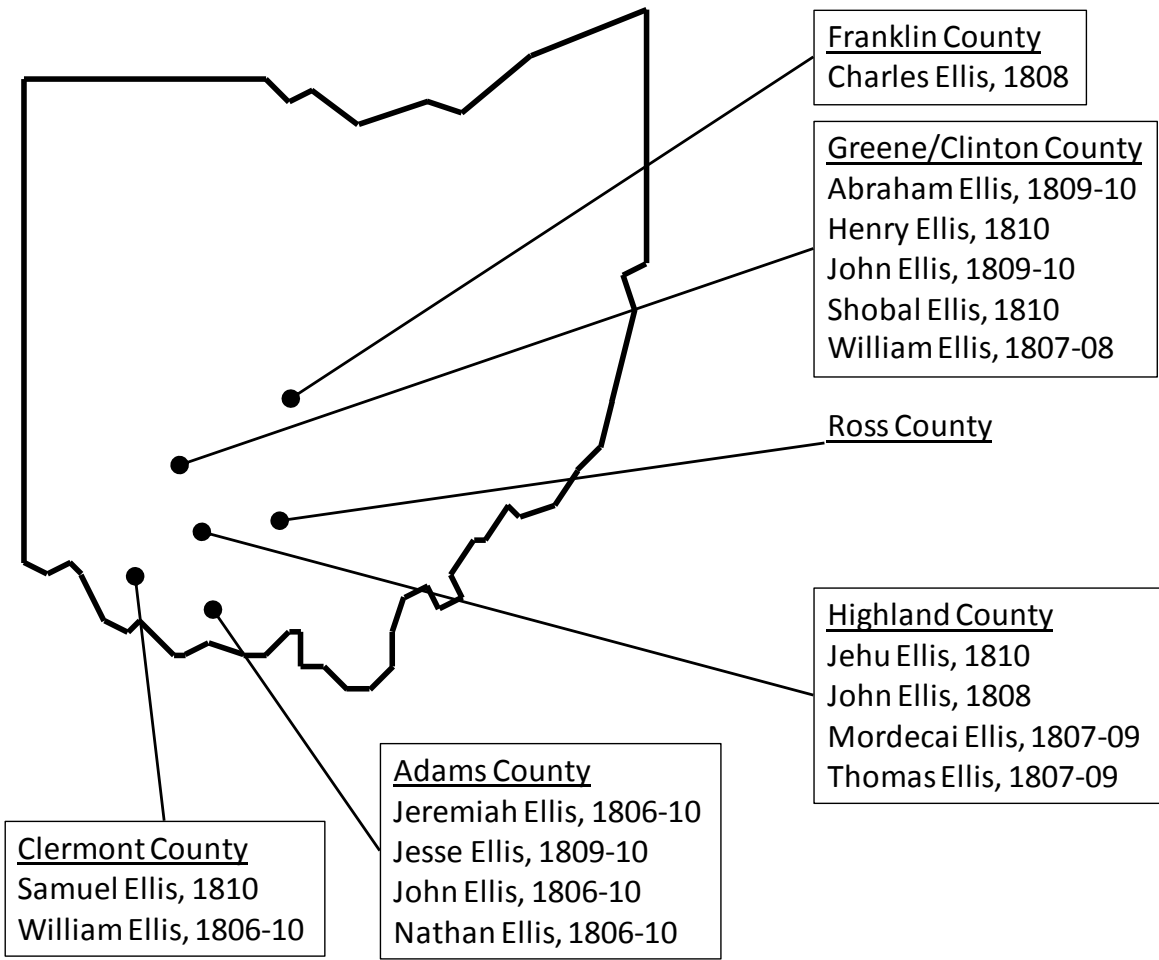


Exhibit 2 – Location of various Ellis taxpayers who lived outside the vicinity of Canton, Ohio and Jefferson County.

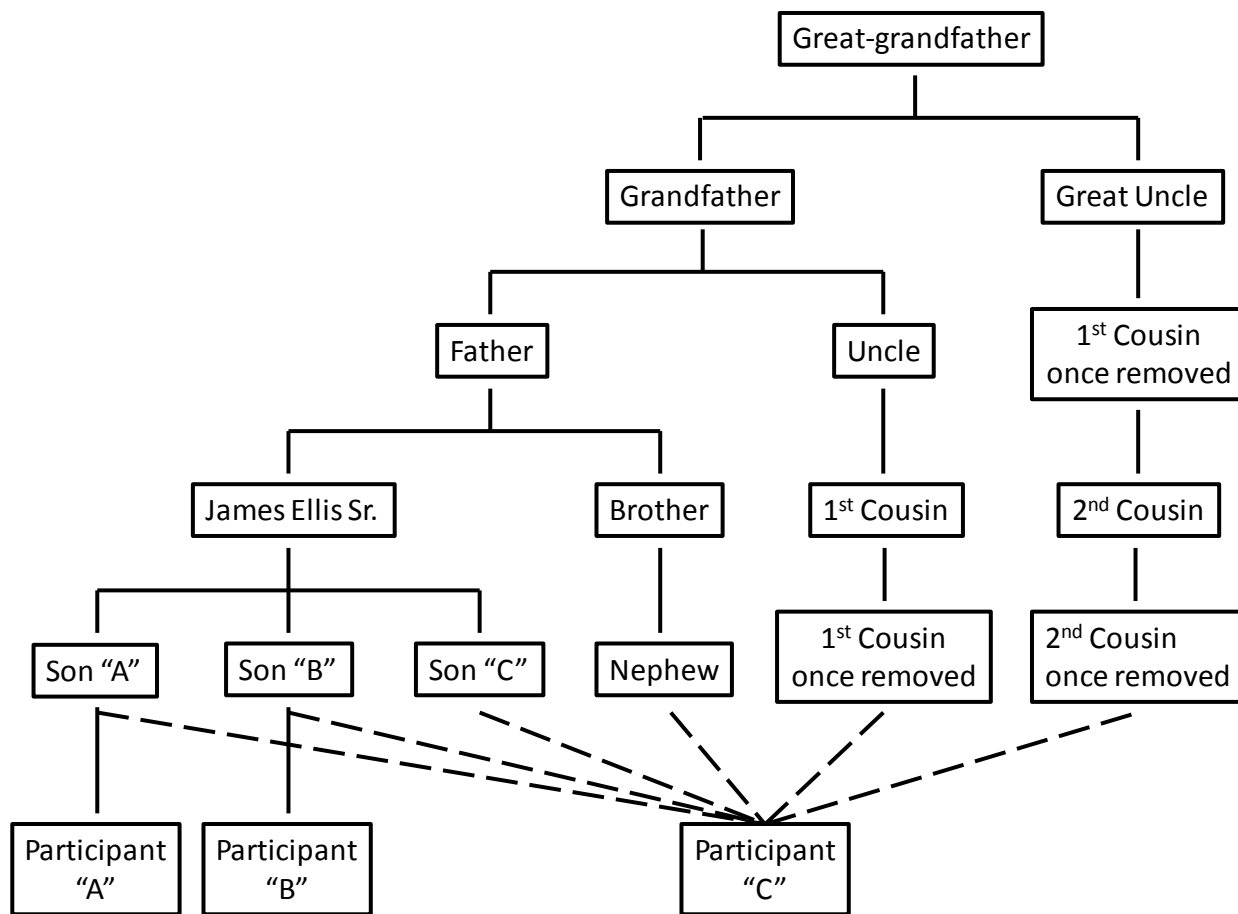


Exhibit 3 – Possible relationships between Participant “C” and James Ellis Sr. based on the fact that Participant “C” has yDNA which exactly matches that of Participant “A” and Participant “B”.

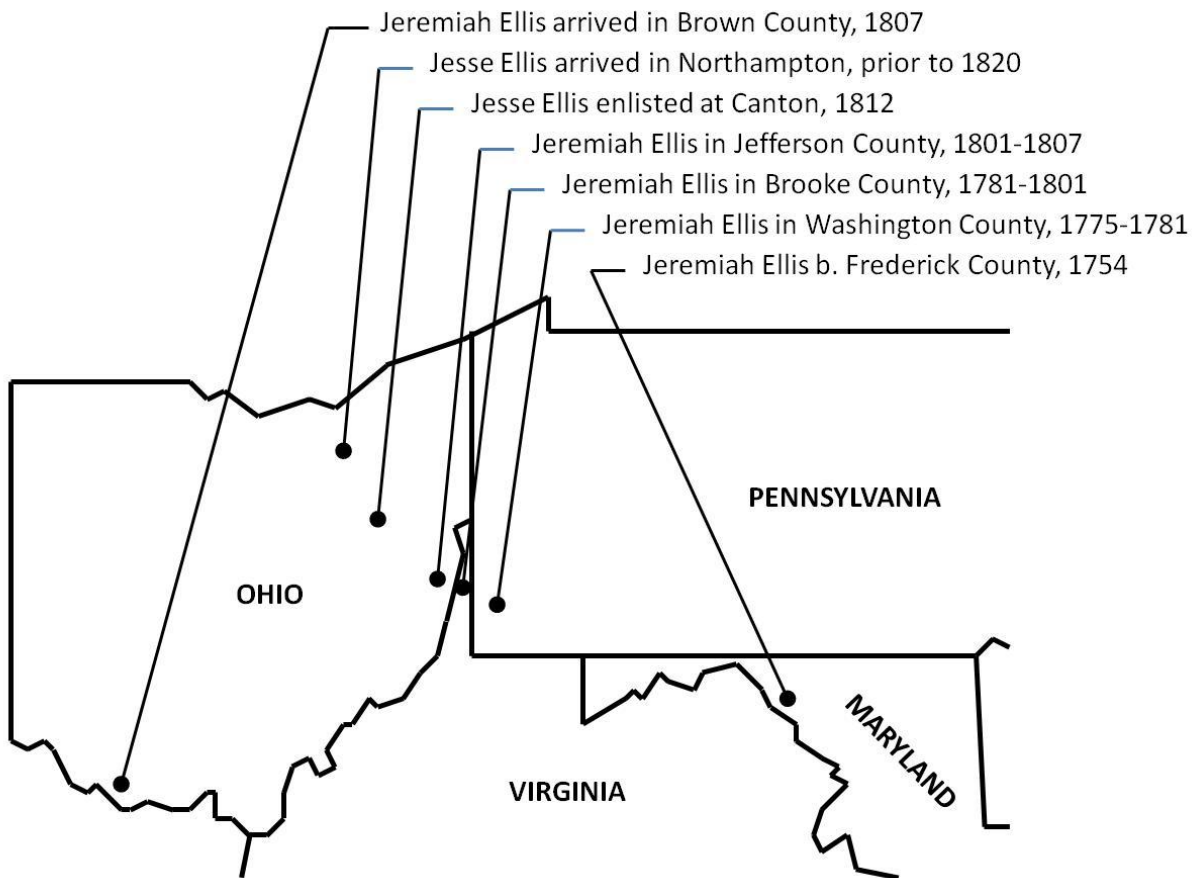


Exhibit 4 – Locations where Jeremiah Ellis and Jesse Ellis have been identified

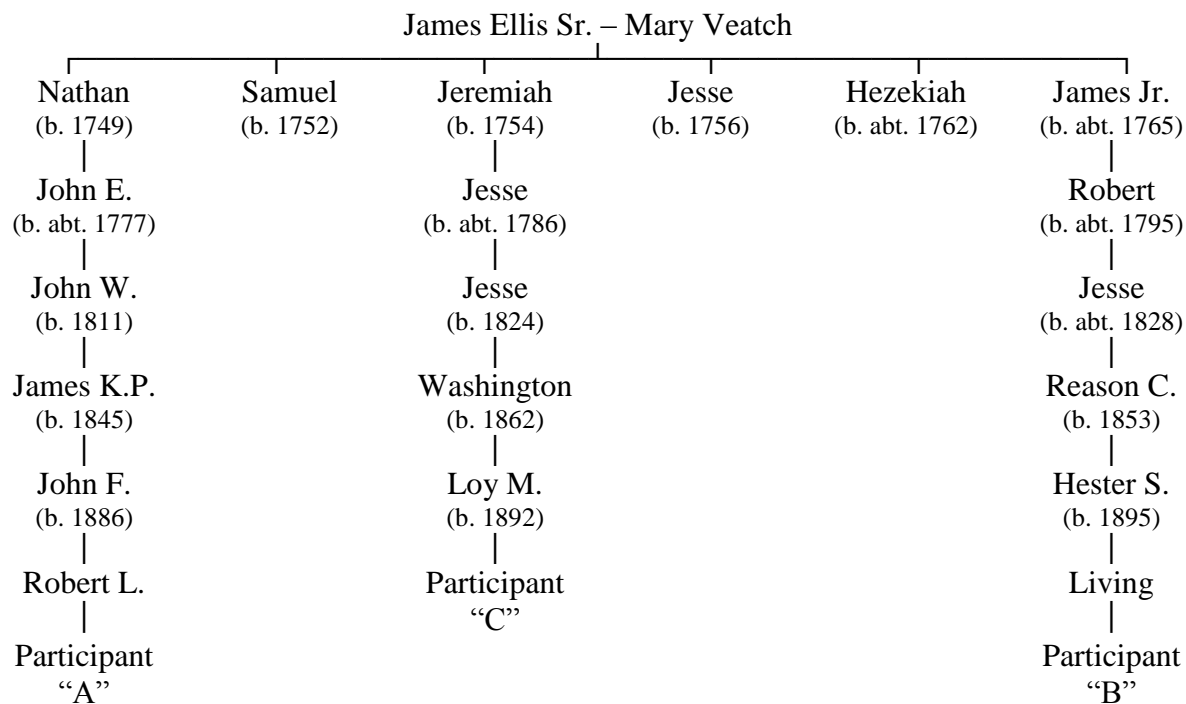


Exhibit 5 – Continuous Paternal lines for three Ellis men who have matching yDNA

### LINEAGE NOTES

#### PARTICIPANT “A”:

**PARTICIPANT “B”:** The lineage from James Ellis Sr. down to Hester Scott Ellis is provided in Harold W. Boles and David B. Boles, *Ellis Ancestors: Some Immigrants, Colonists, and Pioneers*, (typescript, 1994), pp. 136-189.

**PARTICIPANT “C”:** The death certificate for Jesse Ellis Jr. identifies his parents as Jesse Ellis and Sarah McMillan. The marriage records for Summit County, Ohio include the application for a marriage license for Jesse Ellis and Sarah Ann Schoonover of Northampton Township on 18 April 1846. The obituary for Washington S. Ellis identifies that he was born in Kent County, Michigan on 13 June 1862, as well as identifies his wife as Rose Ellis, only surviving son as Loy M. Ellis, one of his brothers as Lucien Ellis, and a sister as Louisa Atkins. The obituary for Lucien Edgar Ellis identifies that he was a son of Jesse and Sarah (Schoonover) Ellis and he was survived by a sister Louisa Atkins. The 1900 census at Munising, Alger County, Michigan identifies Washington S. Ellis (age 37, b. June 1862 in Michigan) with wife Rosia Ellis and a son Loy Ellis (age 8, b. February 1892 in Michigan).

Appendix A  
List of Ellis men on Early Ohio Tax Lists

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Location</u>
Abraham Ellis	1809	Beaver Creek Township, Greene County
Abraham Ellis	1810	Chester Township, Clinton County
Benjamin Ellis	1810	Washington County
Charles Ellis	1808	Franklin County
Elias Ellis	1806	no township noted, Belmont County
Enos Ellis	1806	misc townships, Columbiana County
Enos Ellis	1810	no township noted, Columbiana County
Henry Ellis	1810	Chester Township, Clinton County
Hezekiah Ellis	1810	no township noted, Washington County
James Ellis	1804	Braceville, Trumbull County
James Ellis	1806	6 <sup>th</sup> Collection Dist, Trumbull County
Jehu Ellis	1810	Union Township, Highland County
Jeremiah Ellis	1806	no township noted, Jefferson County
Jeremiah Ellis	1806	no township noted, Adams County
Jeremiah Ellis	1807	Warren Township, Jefferson County
Jeremiah Ellis	1807	no township noted, Adams County
Jeremiah Ellis	1808	Tiffin, Adams County
Jeremiah Ellis	1809	no township noted, Adams County
Jeremiah Ellis, Sr.	1809	no township noted, Adams County
Jeremiah Ellis	1810	mixed townships, Adams County
Jeremiah Ellis, Sr.	1810	mixed townships, Adams County
Jesse Ellis	1804	Braceville, Trumbull County
Jesse Ellis	1806	6 <sup>th</sup> Collection Dist, Trumbull County
Jesse Ellis	1807	no township noted, Trumbull County
Jesse Ellis	1808	mixed townships, Trumbull County
Jesse Ellis	1809	Warren Township, Trumbull County
Jesse Ellis	1809	no township noted, Adams County
Jesse Ellis	1810	mixed townships, Adams County
John Ellis	1806	no township noted, Adams County
John Ellis	1807	no township noted, Adams County
John Ellis	1808	Tiffin, Adams County
John Ellis	1808	Liberty Township, Highland County
John Ellis	1809	no township noted, Adams County
John Ellis	1810	mixed townships, Adams County
John Ellis	1809	Xenia Township, Greene County
John Ellis	1810	Xenia Township, Greene County
Jonathan Ellis	1807	Union Township, Belmont County
Jonathan Ellis	1808	Union Township, Belmont County
Jonathan Ellis	1809	Union Township, Belmont County
Mordecai Ellis	1807	Fairfield Township, Highland County
Mordecai Ellis	1808	Fairfield Township, Highland County
Mordecai Ellis	1809	Fairfield Township, Highland County

Name	Year	Location
Nathan Ellis	1806	no township noted, Adams County
Nathan Ellis	1807	no township noted, Adams County
Nathan Ellis	1808	Tiffin, Adams County
Nathan Ellis	1809	no township noted, Adams County
Nathan Ellis	1810	mixed townships, Adams County
Nathaniel Ellis	1806	no township noted, Belmont County
Rowland Ellis	1810	Hasperfield Township, Geauga County
Rowland Ellis	1810	German Township, Montgomery County
Samuel Ellis	1810	no township noted, Clermont County
Shobal Ellis	1810	Chester Township, Clinton County
Thomas Ellis	1806	no township noted, Belmont County
Thomas Ellis	1807	Fairfield Township, Highland County
Thomas Ellis	1808	Fairfield Township, Highland County
Thomas Ellis	1809	Fairfield Township, Highland County
William Ellis	1806	no township noted, Clermont County
William A. Ellis	1807	no township noted, Greene County
William Ellis	1808	misc townships, Greene County
William Ellis	1809	no township noted, Clermont County
William Ellis	1809	Vernon Township, Trumbull County
William Ellis	1810	Vernon Township, Trumbull County
William Ellis	1810	no township noted, Clermont County

The above list was compiled from a database accessible from ancestry.com. Jackson, Ronald V., Accelerated Indexing Systems, comp.. *Ohio Census, 1790-1890* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 1999.

Appendix B  
DNA Signature for James Ellis, Sr. of Washington County, Pennsylvania

<b>DYS #</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>DYS #</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>DYS #</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>DYS #</b>	<b>Value</b>
393	13	392	11	449	30	607	15
390	24	389-2	29	464a	15	576	18
19/394	14	458	17	464b	15	570	16
391	11	459a	8	464c	17	CDYa	35
385a	11	459b	10	464d	17	CDYb	37
385b	11	455	11	460	11	442	12
426	12	454	11	H4	11	438	12
388	12	447	24	YCA IIa	19		
439	12	437	16	YCA IIb	23		
389-1	13	448	18	456	16		