

Samuel Commander

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Born: 1680 in Prince George Parish, Craven, South Carolina

Married: Elizabeth Screven

Died: 17 Sep 1733 in Black River, Prince George Parish, South Carolina

Parents: Thomas Commander & Unknown

Planter of Prince George Parish, Craven County, S.C.

The will of Samuel Commander Sr. was signed Sept. 17, 1733; was proved January 29, 1935. Recorded May 15, 1735/6 and is on file in Will Book 1732-1737 Probate Court Sumter County, S. C.

Witnesses Joseph Roper, Thomas Potts, and William Gardner. Executrix Wife Elizabeth (??) Commander, Executors Elisha Screven (perhaps a son-in-law) and sons Samuel Commaner, Jr. and John Commander. A petition was filed on February 6, 1735/6 by Samuel Commander, Jr., Joseph Commander, Jr., John Commander and Hannah (Commander) Screven. (four of the children of Samuel Commander, Sr.) stating that Samuel Commander, Sr. was deceased and referring to three plantations on Black River in South Carolina. It is the understanding of the compiler that this petition is most probably is in the unbound Council Journal pages (meeting of Feb. 6 1735/6) which the South Carolina archives obtained from London to complete it's set of records the inventory of the estate of Samuel Commander, Sr. dated March 4, 1736 appears in Inventory Book 1732-36, page 379, Colonial Estates of South Carolina. Appraisers of the Estate were William Brockinton, Thomas Potts and Joseph Roper.

NOTE — 2

The Commanders were dissenters or anabaptists and came into South Carolina from New England with the Screvins. In the P.C., Chas., S. C., Vol. 3, page 238, is the will of, ". . . Samuel Commander . . . [dated] 17 Sept. 1733 . . . Rec. 15 Mar. 1735/6, Craven County, Province of South Carolina . . .

wife—Elizabeth Commander . . .

son—Samuel Commander [born Jan. 22, 1705/6, Clute's] . . .

son—John Commander [born April 6, 1708, Clute's] . . .

son—Joseph Commander [born Aug. 1, 1712, Clute's] . . .

dau.—Hannah Screvin [born Jan. 10, 1709/10, Clute's—wife of Elisha Screvin, son of Rev. William Screvin. It was Rev. William Screvin who was first pastor of the First Baptist Church in South Carolina. Elisha Screvin, his son, has the honor of founding Georgetown, South Carolina, having first lots laid out for him in 1729. See page 16, *Rambles in the Pee Dee Basin*, Cook.]

dau.—Elizabeth Boutwell [married Burtenhead Boutwell] . . .

daus.—Abigale, Dorothy, Frances, & Rachel . . .

wit.—Joseph Roper, Thomas Potts, William Gardner."

"Abigale Commander married John Smith Oct. 4, 1737," *Prince Frederick's Parish Register*. See Chapter 4-C.