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First Families of Orangeburgh District (SC)

ZORN

First Family Biography

1. NICHOLAS ZORN was born about the year 1703 (some think as early as 1683) apparently in the Palatinate, perhaps in Strasbourg, Germany and died about 1741 in Orangeburgh.^[3] He married ANNA CATHERINE UNKNOWN. Anna Catherine married JOHN SIMMONS bet. 1741-1747, after Nicholas' death.^[3] Catherine Zorn Simmons died shortly before 6 June, 1775.^[8]

A ship called the Oliver landed in South Carolina in July 1735 carrying 200 Palatines. The roster has not been preserved but has been reconstructed based on petitions for land. Nicholas did obtain a land grant for one lot in the Township of Orangeburgh and 100 acres in Berkeley Co. on 17 Sept 1736.^[1] It is possible that Nicholas arrived on the Oliver.

Children of Nicholas Zorn and Anna Catherine Unknown are:

- a. NICHOLAS ZORN JR., born bet. 1725-29, married SUSANNA ELISABETH UNKNOWN.

Nicholas surveyed a grant of 200 acres on 6 Apr 1773^[11] and it was granted on 26 Jul 1774.^[12]

Nicholas was on the 1778-9 jury list as a juror living "below Orangeburgh".^[5]

Nicholas was a private in the Loyalist Militia, signing a pay voucher on 28 Sept 1782:^[7]

No. 138 Major William CUNNINGHAM's Troop of mounted Militia We the subscribers Officers & Privates of Major William CUNNINGHAM's Troop of mounted Militia, have received in Charles Town by order of Lt. General LESLIE, of Robert GRAY P.M.M. the Sums annexed to our respective Names in the right hand Colum[n] below upon the Dates prefixed thereto, having also signed a duplicate hereof the same for 92 days pay from the 8th of April to the 8th of July inclusive as per Abstract No. 138. (signed) Nicholas Zorn.

- b. SUSANNAH ZORN, born abt. 1729-1733. She married SETH HATCHER about 1750 (his second wife).^[6] Hatcher was born about 1686 in Virginia^[6] and died 26 Sep 1756, Orangeburgh, South Carolina, "aged about 70 years."^[3,4] He was buried the next day on his plantation.^[3,4]

Seth Hatcher platted 300 acres on the Pon Pon, adjacent to Nicholas Zorn, on 13 Dec 1735.^[13] and received his grant on 17 Sep 1736.^[14]

- c. CATHERINE ZORN, born ca 1730, married GEORGE ULRICH.
- d. MADALENE ZORN, was born about 1733. She married HENRY HERMAN (Crummy) CRUM on 9 June 1752 in Orangeburgh.^[3,4] He was born about 1731.

Henry Crum platted 400 acres of land in Berkeley County on 10 Mar 1772.^[15]

- e. HENRY ZORN, SR. was born abt. 1735-39 and died in 1800. He married ELIZABETH UNKNOWN.

Henry surveyed a grant of 200 acres on 2 Oct 1772^[10] and it was granted on 2 Apr 1773.^[2] In addition he purchased a 640 acre tract on the Salkehatchie from James McMillan, who had a plat for this land recorded on 22 Sept 1784.^[16]

Henry was a petit juror "for Orangeburgh" (meaning he lived in or near the town) in 1778-9.^[5]

The 1790 census shows Henry's family breakdown as 3 4 4 0 7, showing he had a large family and owned seven slaves.

Henry died in 1800 and there was a partition deed (A: 50) recorded in Barnwell Co. in which his children and spouses divided up the tract that Henry had bought from James McMillan. They sold to Nicholas and David Zorn. In 1809, another deed (F-165) deals with the estate of Henry Zorn Sr.

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Family Migration

During the early and mid-Nineteenth century many Orangeburgh area families migrated to Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Arkansas, Texas, Mississippi, Louisiana and other points west. The information we have provided about a family's migration to another state is an attempt to document those migrations in order to assist family researchers in connecting their ancestors back to Orangeburgh or accounting for missing branches of their families.

Some members from the ZORN family migrated into Alabama. See Orangeburgh Migration Project for further information.

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