Susanna Boston Kirkland

#155 | Generation 7 | Grade B+

Mother of Rebecca Kirkland Shaw; wife of James Kirkland Sr. Born about 1786 in North Carolina. Living after 1860; circa 1881 death reported in the Old Burchfield Cemetery listing. Susan, Susie and Sussie are recorded given-name variants.

Boston / Baston: the inspected testimony

Hattie D. Lane's application #586 names her maternal grandparents as Jim Kirkland and "Susan Boston m. name"; it separately identifies her paternal grandparents as Thomas Linn and Betty Boston. The image is reproduced on p. 1647.

Andy Kirkland's application #8597 names his maternal grandparents as Jim Kirkland and "Sussie Baston." His original application image is on p. 788. William H. Linn's testimony on p. 798 states that James Kirkland and his father married sisters, connecting the Kirkland and Linn marriage network.

These accounts come through different descendants but may share family tradition. Correlated with the established James-and-Susan household and Criss C. Shaw's grandparents on p. 779, they support B+ for the surname and maternal family. They do not identify Susanna's parents.

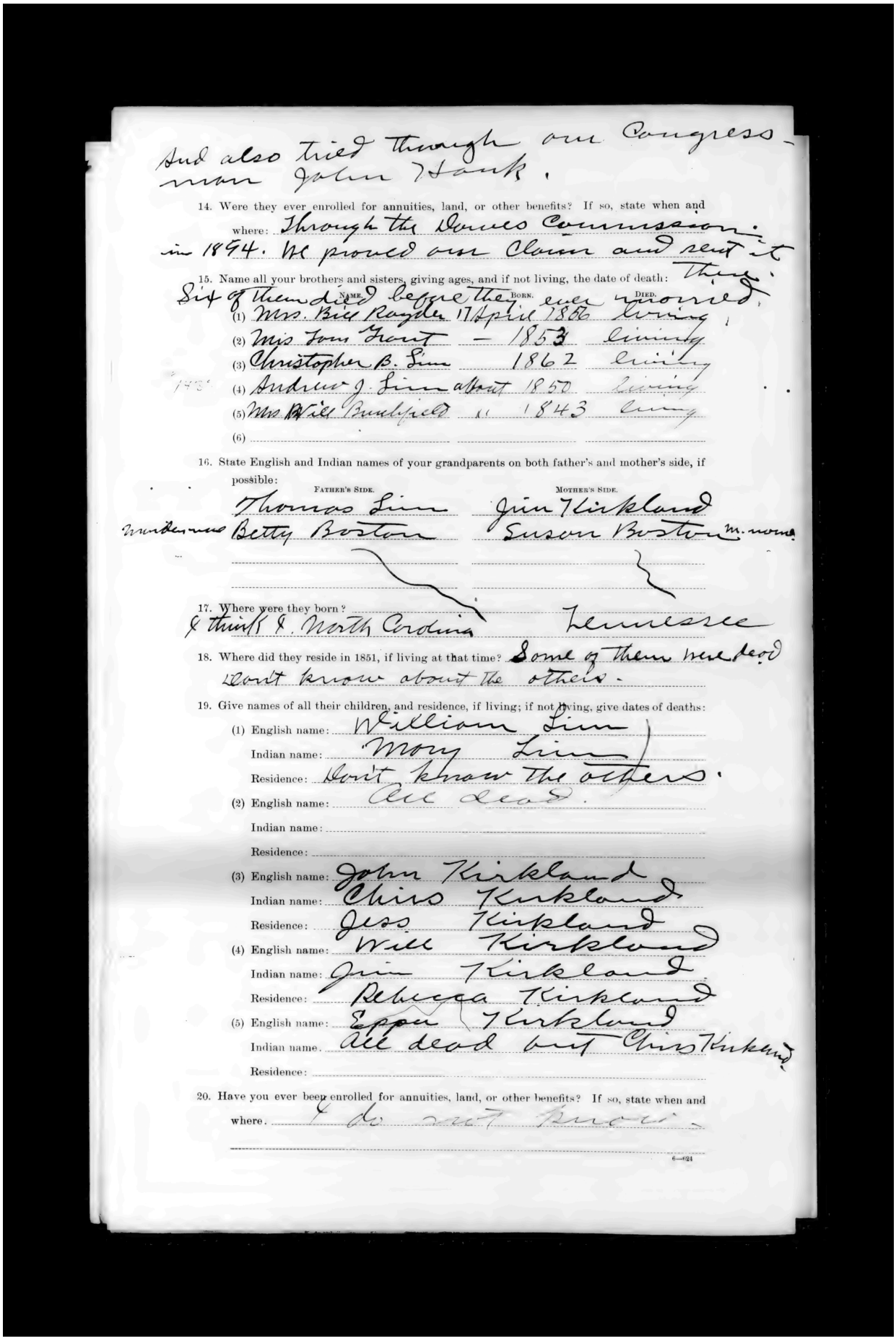
Citation correction

The newer source review questions the prior Jacob/Susie Boston reading of Eliza's grandparent column. This paleographic disagreement does not change the B+ conclusion: the inspected Hattie and Andy applications already support Boston/Baston. No Bastian parentage is inferred from a spelling similarity.

Current parental positions

Nathan Kirkland now occupies #308 at Grade B as James's father (pp. 1653-1656). Positions #309-#311 remain unestablished. Christopher Boston's paternity and Rebecca Pitman's maternity remain unproved. Susanna's settled surname finding adds no ancestor or Patriot; Nathan's separate paternal admission adds one person and one position.

NARA M1104, applications 586 and 8597; NARA M685, roll 7, William H. Linn, manuscript p. 627, 26 June 1908. See the current record gallery for the original images and retained source locators.



And also tried through our Congressman John Hank.

14. Were they ever enrolled for annuities, land, or other benefits? If so, state when and where: Through the Dawes Commission in 1894. We proved our Claim and sent it there.

15. Name all your brothers and sisters, giving ages, and if not living, the date of death: Six of them died before the ever married.

	NAME.	BORN.	DIED.
(1)	Mrs. Bill Ragsdale	17 April 1866	living
(2)	Mrs Tom Grant	– 1853	living
(3)	Christopher B. Linn	1862	living
(4)	Andrew J. Linn	about 1850	living
(5)	Mrs Will Brodfield	" 1843	living
(6)			

16. State English and Indian names of your grandparents on both father's and mother's side, if possible:

FATHER'S SIDE.	MOTHER'S SIDE.
Thomas Linn	Jim Kirkland
Betty Boston	Susan Boston m. woman

17. Where were they born?

I think S. North Carolina	Tennessee

18. Where did they reside in 1851, if living at that time? Some of them were dead I don't know about the others.

19. Give names of all their children, and residence, if living; if not living, give dates of deaths:

(1) English name: William Linn
Indian name: Mary Linn
Residence: Don't know the others.

(2) English name: All dead.
Indian name:
Residence:

(3) English name: John Kirkland
Indian name: Chris Kirkland
Residence: Jess Kirkland

(4) English name: Will Kirkland
Indian name: Jim Kirkland
Residence: Rebecca Kirkland

(5) English name: Epon Kirkland
Indian name. All dead but Chris Kirkland
Residence:

20. Have you ever been enrolled for annuities, land, or other benefits? If so, state when and where. I do not know.

6—924