DEED BOOK W #1, Chowan County, N. C.

Source



I have researched John Browne (the Indian Trader) for years. I had "supposed" that he died 1713. That was a deduction from comparing all known people of the same name and same era... also simply because Hathaway noted a "John Browne dead 1713".

The "proof" however is obvious in this document dated July, 1713. His widow Bridgett Browne is warning anyone attempting to sue or otherwise come after her that they will be dealing with her son. Likewise, and good for her, she is declaring vice-versa. This was not a woman to mess with.

It is as plain as day. Only a "widow" could transact business on her own in a court. The nagging doubt I had about his death date Is now removed... this is the "smoking gun".

#321 pg. 154 BRIDGETT BROWN of Chowan Prect. to ISAAC LEWIS of ye Co. of Albemarle, my well beloved Son 15 July 1713 Letter of Attorney to prosecute to Judgement any person I, the sd. BRIDGETT likewise to Defend any action brought against me Wit.: TREDDELL #322 pg. 154

Several sons of Bridgett (Lewis) Browne had dealings with Daniel McDaniel. Anthony Lewis ventured to modern Southampton Virginia (Isle of Wight in colonial era). Anthony held property near William Browne, the brother of Thomas Browne, each sons of John Browne. A creek area was referrered to as "Anthony's Delight" In the area north of Nottoway River and west of Blackwater River. I am left with the idea that the area was delightful...even if only to him.