A (SELECT) WILKES COUNTY BIBLIOGRAPHY

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The lists of sources below does not include the books on the several counties created all or in part from original Wilkes County, itself created from the Ceded Lands of St. Paul Parish, Georgia, on February 5, 1777. Modern Elbert, Greene, Hart, Lincoln, Madison, McDuffie, Oglethorpe, Taliaferro, Warren, and Wilkes counties were taken at least in part from lands originally in Wilkes County.

Wilkes County records, microfilm copies, and some loose original records, are remarkably complete and are found at the Georgia Archives in Morrow, Georgia. Note that lost Wilkes County “will book” DD is actually a lost mixed estate records book of which not only has the index survived but also all or nearly all of the loose mixed estate records that were in the book.

For a more comprehensive bibliography go to:

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