ANCESTORS OF THE VIRGINIA REDDS

- I. KING WILLIAM RUFUS DE REDDE, son of the Conqueror
 - A. WILLIAM DE REDDE, married Catherine, dau of Duke of Acquitania
 - 1. SON, name unknown
 - a. Sir LIONEL DE REDD md. Elizabeth, dau of Count Faulke, whose 2nd wife was Matilda, the widowed dau of King Henry I (md. first to Charles V, Emperor of Germany)
 - (1) HENRY II, Plantaganet, after Count Faulke
 - (a) BARON DE REDDE
 - i) BARON WILLIAM RUFUS DE REDDE, to 3rd Crusade with Richard III abt 1192 (Signed Magna Carta 1215)

The family continued to support the crown from this time onward until the Wars of the Roses, when WILLIAM LIONEL DE REDDE, Earl of Beresford, supported the House of Lancaster. When Edward IV ascended throne, the Redde land was confiscated and the family fled to foreign countries until the Earl of Richmond became Henry VII, when WILLIAM BERESFORD, the son of VISCOUNT RUFUS BERESFORD DE REDDE returned to England, and land and titles were returned to them.

Lands and titles were handed down, father to son for several reigns until 1688 when WILLIAM LIONEL DE REDDE espoused the cause of the Prince of Orange, and died from wounds received at Killiecrankie. His son, Sir WILLIAM RUFUS DE REDDE, succeeded him, and eventually came to America with Gov. Alexander Spottswood during the reign of Queen Anne.

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