

Iredell of North Carolina



The Iredells descend from Francis Iredell who married Margaret McCulloh of Belfast Lough, the seat of Lord Dufferin, late Governor General of India.



James Iredell was born 10/5/1751 in Lewes, England and died 10/20/1799. He was one of the original Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States. He was appointed by President George Washington and served from 1790 until his death in 1799.

James Iredell was born in Lewes, England, the oldest of five children of a Bristol merchant. The failure of his father's business (and health) impelled James to emigrate to the Colonies in 1767 at the age of 17. Relatives assisted him in obtaining a position in the customs service as deputy collector, or comptroller, of the port of Edenton, North

Carolina. While working at the customs house, Iredell read law under Samuel Johnston (later governor of North Carolina), began the practice of law and was admitted to the bar in 1771. The grandson of a clergyman, he was a devout Anglican throughout his life and his writings display an interest in spirituality and metaphysics beyond a simple attachment to organized religion.

In 1773, Iredell married Johnston's sister Hannah and the two had four children. Issue:

Governor James Iredell, son of James Iredell (above) and his wife, Frances, married 6/6/1815, had issue.

- Annie Isabella Iredell married Cadwallader Jones.
- Frances Lenox Iredell married Dr. Charles E. Johnson.
- Penelope Iredell married Griffith McRee.
- Helen Blair Iredell, died 12/12/1888.
- Jane Moore Iredell married D. Meares.
- James Johnstone Iredell, Major in the Confederate Army, fell at Chancellorsville.
- Samuel Tredwell Iredell, unmarried.
- Margaret Tredwell Iredell, married Judge William M. Shipp.
- Campbell Tredwell Iredell, Captain in the Confederate Army; fell at Gettysburg; married Mary Johnson.

- Cadwallader Jones Iredell married Martha Southgate and had one son, James Iredell.
- Frances Lenox Iredell married 4/10/1849, Dr. Charles Earl Johnson of Raleigh, North Carolina, Surgeon General during the War Between the States and son of Charles E. Johnson of Chowan County, North Carolina. Issue:
 1. Frances Iredell, born 3/11/1850, married 12/5/1882 Dr. Peter Evans Hines of Raleigh, North Carolina, son of Richard Hines and Ann E. (Spruell) Hines.
 2. Charles Earl Iredell, born 8/13/1851 married 12/7/1876, Mary Ellis Wilson, daughter of Harvey Wilson, attorney in Charlotte, North Carolina.
 3. James Iredell, born 11/2/1854 married Rebecca Murray on 1/11/1885.
 4. Helen Blair Iredell, born 10/11/1856 married her cousin, James McRee, son of Griffith McRee.