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## The Joice & Mahoney Families

The Joice and Mahoney families from Prince George's County, Maryland, and Washington, DC, sued for their freedom between 1791-1808, claiming they were descended from a free woman named Ann Joice. These cases and the families who brought them were important in American history.

- ◆ *Charles Mahoney v. John Ashton* (Prince George's County, MD, 1791)
- ◆ *Patrick Mahoney v. John Ashton* (Prince George's County, MD, 1791)
- ◆ *Daniel Mahoney v. John Ashton* (Prince George's County, MD, 1791)
- ◆ *John Hickman v. Richard Smith* (Prince George's County, MD, 1791 ?)
- ◆ *James Joice v. Sarah Walker* (Prince George's County, 1796)
- ◆ *Eleanor Joice v. Notley Young* (Prince George's County, 1796)
- ◆ *Catharine Joice v. Notley Young* (Prince George's County, 1796)
- ◆ *Richard Joice v. Richard Wootton* (Prince George's County, 1796)
- ◆ *John Joice v. Richard Wootton* (Prince George's County, 1796)
- ◆ *Thomas Joice v. John Hill* (Prince George's County, 1796)
- ◆ *Michael Joice v. John Hill* (Prince George's County, 1796)
- ◆ *Jack Joice v. Robert Tilley & Richard Walker, executors of Isaac Walker* (Prince George's County, 1796)
- ◆ *Clem Joice v. Robert Alexander* (Washington, DC, 1808)
- ◆ *Becky Joice v. William Jenkins* (Washington, DC, 1808)

If you have any information to contribute to the project about this family, please let us know.

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The Joice and Mahoney family tree is based on court records from the Maryland State Archives in Annapolis.

- Ann Joice – arrived in Maryland between 1676-1679
  - David Jones
  - John "Jack" Wood – d. 1770
  - Thomas "Tom" Crane
  - Francis "Frank" Harbard
    - Peter Harbard – b. abt. 1716
  - Polly Harbard
  - Suzan "Sue" Harbard
    - Charles
    - Mary "Polly"
    - Johnny
    - Sarah
      - Will
    - Sukey "Sue"
      - Eleanor "Nelly"
        - + Robert Mahoney
          - Charles Mahoney – filed freedom suit in 1791 against John Ashton
          - Patrick Mahoney – filed freedom suit in 1791 against John Ashton
          - Daniel Mahoney – filed freedom suit in 1791 against John Ashton
          - Robert Mahoney
          - Thomas Mahoney
          - James Mahoney
          - Bernard Mahoney
          - Joseph Mahoney
- Molly
  - Nelly
  - Sally
- Kitty
- Ann Joyce Cross – bound to John Chapman in 1701

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