Pickens County was created 5 December 1853, from Cherokee and Gilmer Counties; #100 in order of creation; county seat, Jasper; courthouse fire, 1947- almost no record loss.

Land divided in the 1832 Land Lottery (size of land lots 160 acres); Cherokee County, Second Section, Districts: 4, 5, 12, 13, 23, 24.

Records missed in microfilming project: Voter registration books, 1896-1913

Microfilm * Index; ** Records are not indexed for some years; [= Pickens County Library; = Ga. Archives]

Record Description	Dates	Call No.	Repository
Cemeteries: Ted O. Brook and Linda Woodward Geiger, <i>Pickens County, Georgia, Cemeteries</i> (Jasper, Georgia, Privately published, 2009).			•, •
Cemeteries: Gene E. Teague and Miranda E. Reece, Cemeteries of Pickens County, Georgia (Talking Rock, Georgia: Privately published, 1995).			•
Cemeteries: Harry Beck, "Old Cool Springs Cemetery, Tate, Pickens County, Georgia," <i>Georgia</i> <i>Genealogical Society Quarterly</i> 25 (1989): 1			
Census, 1860 Pop.: Tate's History of Pickens Co.			•
Census, Agricultural: 1850, Cherokee County			•, •
Census, Agricultural: 1850, Gilmer County			•, •
Census, Agricultural: 1860, Pickens County			•, •
Census, Agricultural: 1870, Pickens County			•, •
Census, Agricultural: 1880, Pickens County			•, •
Census, Manufacturing: 1840, Statistics of Mines, Manufactures, etc., Georgia			•, •
Census, Mortality: 1850, Georgia Mortality (all Georgia counties)			•, •
Census, Mortality: 1860, Pickens Co.		T655, reel 8	•, •
Census, Mortality: 1870, Pickens Co.		T655, reel 9	•, •
Census, Mortality: 1880, Pickens Co.		T655, reel 11	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1820, Appling, Baldwin, Emanuel, Habersham, Hall, Irwin, and Jasper Counties		M33, reel 6	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1830, Habersham-Jones Counties		M19, reel 18	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1830, Newton-Tattnall Counties		M19, reel 20	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1840, Camden-Cherokee Counties		M704, reel 38	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1840, Gilmer-Habersham Counties		M704, reel 42	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1840, Pulaski-Richmond Counties		M704, reel 49	•, •

Record Description	Dates	Call No.	Repository
Census, Pop.: 1850, Cherokee-Clinch Counties		M432, reel 65	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1850, Franklin-Gilmer Counties		M432, reel 70	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1850, Habersham-Hancock Counties		M432, reel 72	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1850, Putnam-Richmond Counties		M432, reel 81	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1860, Chattooga-Clarke Counties		M653, reel 116	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1860, Gilmer-Gordon Counties		M653, reel 124	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1860, Greene-Harris Counties		M653, reel 125	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1860, Newton-Rabun Counties		M653, reel 133	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1870, Cherokee-Clarke Counties		M593, reel 143	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1870, Gilmer-Glynn Counties		M593, reel 152	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1870, Gwinnett, Habersham-Harris		M593, reel 154	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1870, Pickens-Randolph Counties		M593, reel 169	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1880, Chattahoochee-Clinch Counties		T9, reel 139	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1880, Fulton-Glascock Counties		T9, reel 148	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1880, Gwinnett-Hancock Counties		T9, reel 150	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1880, Newton-Pickens (part)		T9, reel 160	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1880, Pickens (part)-Randolph		T9, reel 161	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1900, Chattooga-Clarke Counties		T623, reel 187	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1900, Fulton (part)-Glynn Counties		T623, reel 200	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1900, Gwinnett-Habersham Counties		T623, reel 202	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1900, Oconee-Richmond Counties		T623. reel 215	•, •
Census, Pop.: 1910, Madison, Pickens, and Meriwether Counties		T624, reel 203	•, •
Census, Slave: 1850, Cherokee County		M432, reel 89	•, •
Census, Slave: 1850, Gilmer County		M432, reel 90	•, •
Census, Slave: 1860, Pickens County		M653, reel 150	•, •
Church, Baptist: Charles O. Walker, <i>Through the Years - 1848-1963</i> . <i>A History of the 1st Baptist Church of Jasper, Ga.</i> , 3 Vols. (Jasper: the author, 1963).			•
Church, Baptist: Crossroad Baptist Church, 1880- 1920 Minutes	1880-1920		•

Record Description	Dates	Call No.	Repository
Church, Baptist: First Baptist Church, Jasper, 1888, Record Book; 1880-1914 Minutes	1880-1914		•
Church, Baptist: Jasper Baptist Association Minutes 1894-1944	1894-1944		•
Church, Baptist: Marble Hill Baptist Church, 1894- 1944 Minutes	1894-1944		•
Church, Baptist: Salem Baptist Church, 1901-1971 Minutes	1901-1971		•
Church, Baptist: Town Creek Baptist Church, Talking Rock, 1900-1966 Minutes	1900-1966		•
Church, Methodist: Jasper United Methodists, 1925- 1932, Missionary Society Minutes	1925-1932		•
Church, Methodist: Tate United Methodist, 1887- 1973, Church Register, 1902-1909, 1911-1940, Quarterly Conference Minutes	1887-1940		•
Court, JP: Pickens County, Georgia, Justice of the Peace docket 1855-1860 [microfilm]			
Court, Superior: Minutes	1854-1890		•,•
Court, Superior: Minutes	1865-1868	FHL # 393,200	
Court, Superior: Minutes	1890-1907 *		•, •
Court, Superior: Minutes	Vol. A (1854-1867)	RHS 4095-96	•, •
Court, Superior: Minutes	Vol. B (1867-1883)		
Court, Miscellaneous: Estates, Bastardy, Homestead, Pauper, Apprenticeship, and Related Records(continued on Reel 2).]	1824-1889	MVHS Reel 1	•
Court, Miscellaneous: Estates, Bastardy, Homestead, Pauper, Apprenticeship, and Related Records, (continued from Reel 1).	1824-1889	MVHS Reel 2	•
Court, Voters: Registered Voters List, 1889 (1089th District only), 1898, 1900	1889, 1898, 1900	MVHS Reel 2	•
Court, Voters: Voters Lists: 1904 (1370th district), 1909, 1911		Reel 10	•
Court: Contract for Building the Courthouse, 1888	1888	MVHS Reel 1 [item 3]	•
Court: County Court Minutes	1865-1879	MVHS Reel 2	•
Court: County Receipts	unknown & 1866- 1903	MVHS Reel 2	•
Court: Criminal Evidence Book	1885-1894	MVHS Reel 5	•

Record Description	Dates	Call No.	Repository
Court: Grand Jury Minutes	1854-1885	FHL #393,199	
Court: Inferior Court Minutes	1865-1894		•, •
Court: Jury Lists	1879-1902		•, •
Court: Justice Court Minute Book (1098 Militia District)	1882-1906	MVHS Reel 5	•
Court: Justice Court Minute book, 1036th District	1849-1857	MVHS Reel 2	•
Court: Loose Bonds and Oaths	1854-1920	MVHS Reel 1 [item 2]	•
Court: Loose Civil Cases, 1900-1936, A-C		Reel 11	•
Court: Loose Civil Cases, 1900-1936, D-I		Reel 12	•
Court: Loose Civil Cases, 1900-1936, J-S		Reel 13	•
Court: Loose Civil Cases, 1900-1936, S-Y		Reel 14	•
Court: Loose Court Case Files	1886-1887	MVHS Reel 3	•
Court: Loose Court Case Files	1893-1894	MVHS Reel 4	•
Court: Loose Court Case Files (continued on Reel 3)	1889-1892	MVHS Reel 3	•
Court: Loose Court Case Files, 1850-1874		Reel 6	•
Court: Loose Court Case Files, 1874-1896		Reel 7	•
Court: Loose Court Case Files, 1879-1882, 1885, 1895		Reel 9	•
Court: Loose Court Case Papers, 1895-1898		Reel 8	•
Court: Loose Criminal Cases, 1900-1936, A-E, F-M		Reel 15	•
Court: Loose Criminal Cases, 1900-1936, F-M, U-Y		Reel 16	•
Court: Loose Criminal Cases, 1900-1936, N-T (continued)		Reel 18	•
Court: Loose Criminal Cases, 1900-1936, N-T (part)		Reel 17	•
Court: Notary Public Register	1892-1907	RHS 4098	•
Court: Ordinary Court Minutes - Miscellaneous Bonds of Appointment of Officers, Civil and Court, etc.	Vol. A (1865-1900)	RHS 4107	•
Court: Ordinary Minutes Bk. I	1854-1867	RHS 4101	•, •
Court: Ordinary Minutes Bk. 2 [lots of lunatic cases]	1854-1894	RHS 4101	•, •
Court: Ordinary Minutes	1868-1911 *		
Court: Petition Book	1854-1868	MVHS Reel 5	•
Court: Petition Book	1854-1877	MVHS Reel 4	•

Record Description	Dates	Call No.	Repository
Court: Petitions Book	1884-1889	MVHS Reel 5	•
Court, Superior Court: Minutes	1865-1879	MVHS Reel 5	•
Court, Superior Court: Miscellaneous Papers	1863, 1868, 1876- 1922	MVHS Reel 2	•
Estate: Annual Returns & Vouchers	1854-1898		•, •
Estate: Annual Returns & Vouchers	1898-1911 *		
Estate: Inventories, Appraisements, & Bills of Sale	1854-1923 *		•, •
Estate: Letters of Administration, Guardianship, Executors and dismission 1856-1917	1856-1917		•, •
Estate: Miscellaneous Estate Papers, 1864-1880	1864-1880	MVHS Reel 4	•
Estate: Twelve Months Support	1880-1923 *		•, •
Estate: Wills	1854-1935 *		•, •
Genealogy, Darnell Family: <i>The Darnell Family of Pickens County, Georgia</i> by Charles O. Walker			•
Genealogy, Jones Family: The Family of John Calvin Jones, Jr. and Martha E. Smith of the Vicinity of Blaine and Hinton in Pickens County, Georgia by Lewis E. Jones			
Genealogy, Pendley Family: Pendley's Buried in Pickens County, Georgia by Harold Samuel Pendley.			
Genealogy, Reece Family: <i>The Reece Family of Pickens County and Union County</i> by Linda Woodward Geiger			•
Genealogy, Tate Family: <i>The Tates of Pickens County: Documents and Memoirs, Genealogical Tables</i> edited by William Tate.			
Genealogy, Hone-Worley Scholarship: Ancestors of a Little Girl: A Genealogical Look at My Family History by Daphne L. Ragan.			
Genealogy, Hone-Worley Scholarship: The Ancestors of Carmen Delores Low Hales Sutton by Sonya D. Hales			
Genealogy, Hone-Worley Scholarship: The Duncan Family History by Melissa Shirley Duncan			
Genealogy, Hone-Worley Scholarship: The Parker Family History by Amanda Ruth Parker			
Genealogy, Hone-Worley Scholarship: by St. Johns			
Genealogy, Hone-Worley Scholarship: by Carrie e. Reagan			

Record Description	Dates	Call No.	Repository
Genealogy, Hone-Worley Scholarship: by Amanda Bazzell			
Genealogy, Hone-Worley Scholarship: by Kerry Wentworth			
Genealogy, Hone-Worley Scholarship: by Matt Mayfield			
Genealogy: <i>History of Pickens County</i> by Luke E. Tate			•
Genealogy: Pickens Co., Ga. Heritage 1853-1998			•
Genealogy: Some Early Families of Pickens County, Georgia by Martha Lucille Allred Pyatte.			•
Genealogy: Some Prominent Ancestors: Our Family in Pickens County, Georgia and Some Proud Descendants by Claudine Childers Prather			
History: <i>Historic Tour of Pickens County</i> by Sandra W. Payne			•
History: Pickens County, Georgia, Heritage, 1853–1998 (Pickens County Heritage Book Committee and Don Mills, Inc., 1998).			•
History: History of Pickens County by Luke E. Tate			•
History: <i>Pickens County Picture Book</i> , by Robert Scott Davis, Jr.			•
History: Pickens Past: A Photographic History of Pickens County, Georgia by Robert Scott Davis, Jr.			•
History: Wolfscratch Wilderness: a Backward Walk in Time in an Old North Georgia Settlement by Charlene Terrell.			•
Loose Court Case Files (continued from Reel 3)	1889-1892	MVHS Reel 4	•
Manuscripts: Daisy McArthur Papers	1859-1920	MVHS Reel 2	•
Medical: Register of Physicians, Druggists, Embalmers, Dentists, Etc.	1861-1950 *		•, •
Military: Discharge records, 1922-1957 : Pickens County, Georgia [microfilm]	1922-1957		•
Military, Civil War, Confederate Pensions: Pickens County (A - Elenburg)			•, •
Military, Civil War, Confederate Pensions: Pickens County (England, Charlotte - Prather, W.W.)			•, •
Military, Civil War, Confederate Pensions: Pickens County (Prince, A.W Z)			•, •
Military, Civil War, Confederate Pensions: Pickens County Confederate Pension Records	1910-1912		•, •

Record Description	Dates	Call No.	Repository
Military, Civil War, Militia Enrollment Lists, 1864 (Joe Brown Census): Meriwether - Randolph Counties (includes Pickens County	1864		•,•
Military, Civil War, Militia Enrollment Lists, 1864 (Joe Brown Census): Chatham- Gwinnett Counties (includes Cherokee and Gilmer Counties)	1864		•, •
Military, Civil War, Unit, CSA: 23rd Georgia Confederate Infantry			•, •
Military, Civil War, Unit, CSA: 36th (Broyles) Georgia Confederate Infantry			•, •
Military, Civil War, Unit, CSA: 43rd Georgia Confederate Infantry			•, •
Military, Civil War, Unit, CSA: Cherokee Confederate Legion			•, •
Military, Civil War, Unit, USA: 1st Georgia Infantry, United States Army			•, •
Military, Civil War, USA: Applications by Union Soldiers for Back Pay, 1870		MVHS Reel 2	•
Military, Civil War: Salt Issued to Georgia Families	1862-1864		•, •
Military, World War I: Service Discharge Records	1917-1919		●, ●
Miscellaneous: Miscellaneous Records, 1870-1880	1870-1880	MVHS Reel 2	•
Miscellaneous: Rev. Silas Emmett Lucas, Jr., Some Georgia County Records, Vol. 6, Being Some of the Legal Records of Cobb, Cherokee, Dawson, Forsyth, Gilmer, Gordon, Gwinnett, Hall, Lumpkin, Murray, Pickens, Paulding, Rabun, Walton and Whitfield Counties, Georgia (Greenville, S.C.: Southern Historical Press, 1993)			•
Mortgage Book C, 1889-1896 (continued from Reel 4)		MVHS Reel 5	•
Native Am.: Cherokee Indian Letters, Talks, & Treaties	1786-1838		•, •
Native Am.: Final Roll of the Five Civilized Tribes (Cherokee)			•, •
Native Am.: Surveyors Field Notes, Sections 2 & 3, Original Cherokee County (includes what is now Pickens County)			•, •
Newspapers: John Carver, <i>Births, Marriages and Deaths in Pickens County, Georgia, Newspapers, 1884–1936</i> (Canton, Georgia: privately published, 2007).			•,
Newspapers: Pickens County Herald, February 2,			

Record Description	Dates	Call No.	Repository
1888-August 19, 1899			
Newspapers: Pickens County Progress, 1945 - present			•
Newspapers: <i>Pickens County Progress</i> , March 30, 1095 and April 20, 1908		MVHS Reel 1	•
Newspapers: <i>Pickens County Progress</i> , October 13, 1899-1945 (many missing issues)			•
Newspapers: <i>The Ellijay Courier</i> , May 12, 1877-April 19, 1888, April 38, 1898, February 4, 1916, December 7, 1923, January 4 and March 14, 1924			•
Newspapers: <i>The Jasper News</i> , February - July 1865	1865, July		•
Newspapers: <i>The Marietta Journal</i> , February 20, 1874-June 1881			•
Newspapers: <i>The Mountain Chronicle</i> , Dawsonville, December 30, 1879, March 22, 1881, and October 27, 1881			•
Newspapers: <i>The Piedmont Republican</i> , Jasper, July-December 1891, February 9, 1893			•
Newspapers: <i>The Republican</i> , Jasper, December 12, 1893-August 4, 1898			•
Newspapers: The Republican, Jasper, January 3, 1900		MVHS Reel 1	•
Private: Simmons Store Ledger Book (Jasper, Ga.)	1852-1858		•,•
Property, Land Lottery: Index to Original Grants, Original Cherokee County, 1832 Land Lottery (Sections 1 & 2) and Gold Lottery, Sections 1-4 [Pickens County is in Section 2, 1832 Cherokee Land Lottery]			•,•
Property, Taxes: 1867 Tax Digest			•
Property: Deed - Grantee Index	1854-1936		•
Property: Deed - Grantor Index	1854-1936		•
Property: Deeds	A-B 1854-1864		•, •
Property: Deeds	C-E 1866-1882		•, •
Property: Deeds	F-G 1882-1888	RHS ??	•, •
Property: Deeds	H 1888-1892		•,•
Property: Deeds	I-J 1892-1897		•, •
Property: Deeds	K 1897-1901		•, •
Property: Deeds and Mortgages - General Index	1854-1885	RHS 4088	•, •
Property: Deeds and Mortgages - General Index	Vol. 1 (1885-1900)	RHS 4088-89	•, •

Record Description	Dates	Call No.	Repository
Property: Deeds and Mortgages - General Index	Vol. 2 (1900-1919)	RHS 4088-89	•, •
Property: Homestead (Ordinary Court)	1868-1881 *		•, •
Property: Index to Headright Plats (Eastern Counties of Georgia), 1755-1909	1755-1909		•, •
Property: Mortgage Book A (continued from Reel 2)	1882-1880	MVHS Reel 3	•
Property: Mortgage Book A, 1882-1884 (continued on Reel 3)	1882-1884	MVHS Reel 2	•
Property: Mortgage Book C (Mortgage Book B was apparently destroyed in the 1941 courthouse fire); (continued on Reel 5)	1889-1896	MVHS Reel 4	•
Property: Mortgage Book D	1896-1900	MVHS Reel 5	•
Property: Pony Homestead	1895-1928 *		•, •
Property: Surveyors Field Notes, Sections 2 & 3, Original Cherokee County (includes what is now Pickens County)			•, •
Societies: Ludville Lodge #507, Membership List	1911-1924	MVHS Reel 5	•
Societies: Membership List of Odd Fellows, Ludville Lodge	1911-1924	MVHS Reel 2	•
Taxes, Federal: Internal Assessment Lists (Tax), 1865-1866, for Georgia	1865-1866		•
Vital Records: John Carver, <i>Births, Marriages and Deaths in Pickens County, Georgia, Newspapers, 1884–1936</i> (Canton, Georgia: Privately published, 2007).			•
Vital Records: Marriages: Loose Original Marriages	1860-1880	MVHS Reel 2	•
Vital Records: Marriage - Loose (1871-1931)	A-C 1871-1931		•, •
Vital Records: Marriage - Loose (1871-1931)	D-G 1871-1931		•, •
Vital Records: Marriage - Loose (1871-1931)	H-L 1871-1931		•,•
Vital Records: Marriage - Loose (1871-1931)	M-P 1871-1931		•, •
Vital Records: Marriage - Loose (1871-1931)	Q-T 1871-1931		•, •
Vital Records: Marriage - Loose (1871-1931)	U-Z 1871-1931		•, •

Other Pickens County Records in the Georgia Room

Published writings of Dr. Eber Perrow

Pickens County Southern Unionist Claims of, Joseph Stover, Alfred Hightower, John C. Jones, Hosea Hopkins,

Anna Bradley, Lemuel Allred, Jessie Wilkie, George W. Campmire, John Johnson, James Howell, and Robert McCutchen

History of Hinton United Methodist Church

Roll of Philadelphia School 1898-1901

Minutes of Sharptop Mountain Baptist Church 1876-1888

Unpublished Family Histories (private contributions)

Cemeteries

Four Mile Church GDAH Vertical File Jones, old NWG V13 #2 (15)
Jones, old GGSQ V 16 (202)

Long Swamp GG - 1 (6)

Pleasant Hill Baptist NWG V16 #3 (43) Unidentified NWG V16 #3 (42)

Old Cool Springs GGSQ #27 (Spring 91): 20-22

GDAH = Georgia Department of Archives and History

GG = The Georgia Genealogist

GGSQ = Georgia Genealogical Society Quarterly

NWG = Northwest Georgia Historical and Genealogical Society Quarterly

Boundary Changes

Pat Bryant, *Georgia Counties, Their Changing Boundaries* (2nd Ed., Atlanta, State Printing Office, 1983) Pickens County was created 5 Dec 1853 (Georgia Laws 1853, page 306).

Pickens.

Took area from Cherokee	05 Dec 1853	Georgia Laws 1853, page 306
Took area from Gilmer	05 Dec 1853	Georgia Laws 1853, page 306
Gave up area to Dawson	22 Dec 1857	Georgia Laws 1857, page 231
Took area from Gilmer	13 Dec 1858	Georgia Laws 1858, page 044
Gave up area to Gordon	19 Dec 1860	Georgia Laws 1860, page 141
Took area from Gilmer	18 Apr 1863	Georgia Laws 1863, page 208
Took area from Cherokee	19 Mar 1869	Georgia Laws 1869, page 179
Gave up area to Cherokee	1870	Georgia Laws 1870, page 024

Note, Probate Court, Pickens County, The records are not open to the public for general search. The clerk will pull various volumes when dates for marriages and estates are known.

Newspapers

Towns

Town of **Nelson** - Tate's *History of Pickens County*, p. 245: Nelson was incorporated by the legislature in 1891. The extreme southern part of the town lies in Cherokee County, and the 1930 census showed ninety of the 798 inhabitants of Nelson as living in Cherokee County.

Talking Rock - Tate's History of Pickens County, p. 245: Talking Rock is situated on the creek of the same name, in the upper part of the county. Being on the Old Federal Road, it was one of the earliest settlements in this region, and some of the earliest churches and schools in Pickens were at or near the present site of the town. - more data.

Tax Digests Notes

According to clerks at the Pickens County Courthouse, some old tax records are locked in the "evidence" room at the courthouse, and others are locked in the old jail complex. Dates for these are not known.

MVHS Microfilm at the Pickens County Library—Georgia Room (The following records were filmed

by Marble Valley Historical Society (MVHS) with grants from various County Commissioners, purchased by the MVHS; and most newspapers purchased from Univ. of Georgia Newspaper Project)

See also, list of microfilm at the Georgia Archives (Pickens County Library has these also)

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• **PDI's** - Georgia Department of Archives and History.

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INTERNET Sites

Pickens County - USGenWeb Site www.pickenscountyga.com

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