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William Anthony Bailey was born the younger of two children to Mr. and Mrs. Lester T. Bailey on August 14, 1971 in Carthage, North Carolina. He was a member of FFA at Union Pines High School and graduated in 1989. He received Associate of Science degrees in horticulture from Sandhills Community College and in Agriculture from North Carolina State University. In 1997, he graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in agronomy from North Carolina State University. In 1999, he received a Master of Science degree in weed science from North Carolina State University. Andy went on to pursue a Ph.D. degree in weed science under a Cunningham fellowship at Virginia Tech and will complete the requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy degree on August 9, 2002.

Throughout his graduate career at North Carolina State University and Virginia Tech, Andy was a member of the North Carolina Weed Science Society, Northeastern Weed Science Society, Southern Weed Science Society, and the Weed Science Society of America. He was also a member of the Beltwide Cotton Weed Control Conference and the American Peanut Research and Education Society, as well as Phi Kappa Phi and Gamma Sigma Delta honor fraternities. Andy won 2nd place in the undergraduate paper contest at the North Carolina Weed Science Society meeting in 1997, 2nd place in the poster contest at the Southern Weed Science Society meeting in 1998 and the North Carolina Weed Science Society meeting in 1998 and 1999, 1st place in the poster contest and 2nd place in the presentation contest at the Northeastern Weed Science Society meeting in 2001, and 2nd place in Northeastern Weed Science Society poster contest in 2002. Andy was also named the outstanding Ph.D. student by the Southern Weed Science Society and the outstanding graduate student for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Virginia Tech in 2002. Upon completion of Ph.D. studies, Andy will be a faculty member in the agronomy department at the University of Kentucky as a dark tobacco specialist.