**Carbon Antlers Candlesnuff**

*Xylaria hypoxylon* (L.) Grev.

**ID**: Body white (asexual) to black (sexual), finely roughened; irregularly spindle-shaped and sparingly branched.

**Habitat**: Solitary (infrequent), dense clusters (usually). On/near decaying hardwood stumps.

**Body**: 3/4 – 1.5” x 1/8 – 1/4” [18 – 38 mm x 2 – 4 mm]

White when young (asexual stage), black in age (sexual stage) when perithecia below surface emerge. Irregularly spindle-shaped. Finely roughened, wrinkled and minutely cracked in age. Flesh white, fibrous-tough.

**Spores**: Dark brown.

**Frequency**: Common.

**Locations**: BIGBR, CASCT, DANPV, HENPV, LONGC, MANWD, MPENA, PIGTL, UMDCF, WSTRP.

**Notes**: Mycobank 228616. Identification by macro characteristics, not examination of spores.