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APPLICATION¹ FOR PENSION OF BENJAMIN CHAMBERLIN² OR
CHAMBERLAIN

Application No. S 39306

Vermont 8.395

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Benjamin Chamberlain of Poltney in the State of Vermont who was a private in the regiment commanded by Colonel Jackson of the Massachusetts line, for the term of six years.

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Inscribed on the Roll of Vermont at the rate of 8 Dollars per month, to commence on the 7th of April 1818.

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Certificate of Pension issued the 30 of March 1819 and sent to Judge Amos Thompson, Rutland, Vt.

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Arrears to the 4 th of March 1819	\$ 87.46
Semi-anl. All'ce ending 4 September 1819	<u>48.00</u>
	\$ 135.46

Revolutionary claim
Act 18th March 1818

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*Discontinued, notification sent October 23, 1820 to R. Pierpoint, Rutland, Vt and then reinstated February 8, 1822. Sent to Honorable R. G. Mallery.

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² Line of descent: Possibly in Thomas line: Benjamin (6), Joseph (5), Joseph (4), Samuel (3), Samuel (2) and Thomas (1). Information by George Richard Chamberlin.

AFFIDAVIT OF BENJAMIN CHAMBERLIN
April 7, 1818

State of Vermont
Rutland County s.s.

On this 7th day of April 1818 before me the subscriber one of the judges of Rutland County Court appeared Benjamin Chamberlin aged sixty four years, resident in Poultney in said Rutland County who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by (sp) the late act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval services of the United States in the Revolutionary War”: That he the said Benjamin Chamberlin in September 1775 enlisted into the service of his country in a company of Massachusetts troops commanded by Capt. Rollins (sp) for six months and faithfully served out the time and then again immediately enlisted for (sp) years in the company commanded by Capt. Asa Danforth Col. Ship (indecipherable) regiment Massachusetts line and faithfully served the term. That he then soon after enlisted as a sergeant for the duration of the war in Capt. Benjamin Brown’s company, Col. (sp) Jackson’s regiment Massachusetts line and served faithfully till peace was proclaimed at New Windsor in 1783, and received an honorable discharge which has long since been lost. That he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support – and that he has no other evidence in his possession of his said service.

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid. Amos Thompson, Judge Rutland County Court. I Amos Thompson, Judged do as aforesaid do certify that it appears to my satisfaction that the said Benjamin Chamberlin did serve in the Revolutionary War as stated in the preceding declaration against the common enemy, made (indecipherable) of the records of the testimony taken and said before me to the secretary for the department of war pursuant to the provisions of the aforementioned act of Congress.

Amos Thompson

SUBSEQUENT AFFIDAVIT OF BENJAMIN CHAMBERLIN
January 3, 1820

STATE OF VERMONT
Rutland County s.s.

On this 3rd day of January 1820 personally appeared before the superior court for said county of Rutland in open court, (said court being a court of Record, agreeably to the laws of this state, having the power of fine and imprisonment, & c.) Benjamin Chamberlin aged 66 years, resident in Poultney in said County of Rutland who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath declare, that he served in the revolutionary war, as follows: in Capt. Brown's company in Col. (sp) Jackson's regt of Mass troops from 1777 during said war to June 1783, that he made his original declaration on the 7th day of April 1818 has received a pension certificate, No. 8395 and I do solemnly swear, that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March, 1818; and that I have not, since that time, by gift, sale, or in any other manner, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it, as to bring myself with the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled "An Act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States, in the Revolutionary War," passed on the 18th day of March, 1818; - and that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts or debts, due to me; nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule thereto annexed, and by me subscribed.

1 cow, 10 sheep, 1 hog, 1 table, 1 chair, 6 chairs, 1 Chest, 2 Pails,, 1 Great tub, 1 soap, 2 Old (sp), 1 Pot, , 7 Knives, 6 Forks, Kettle, 1 Tea kettle, 11 Plates, 6 Cups & saucers, 1 Hoe, 1 Hammer * (Remaining schedule of personal property undecipherable), and the cattle and other property mention in said schedule (undecipherable) obliged to dispose of the (sp) as payment of my debts for support of my family. That the debt (sp) three hundred dollars, my occupation is that of a laborer, but have been unable to labor but little for 5 or 6 years past being afflicted with the gout. I have a wife named Lydia aged 48 years unable to labor but little with weakness of her back & one boy aged 14 in good health.

Sworn to and declared on the 3rd day of February 1820.

R. Pierpoint, Clerk

STATE OF VERMONT
Rutland County s.s.

I Robert Pierpoint clerk of the superior court for the county of Rutland do hereby certify, that the foregoing oath, and the schedule thereto annexed, are truly copied from the record of the said court: And I do further certify, that it is the opinion of the said court,

that the total amount of value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid schedule is forty dollars.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said court, at Rutland this 11 day of January 1820.

R. Pierpoint