

Transcribed by George Richard Chamberlin

**REVOLUTIONARY WAR
PENSION AND
BOUNTY LAND CLAIM
FILES**

COVER FOR DECLARATION OF
**EUNICE URSLEY
CHAMBERLIN
PENSION CLAIM**

Widow, &c.
File No. 25413
Eunice Chamberlain
Widow of
Elias Chamberlain
Pension Revolutionary War
Act February 3, 1853

Case FOR DECLARATION OF
EUNICE URSLEY
CHAMBERLIN
PENSION CLAIM

Eunice Chamberlain wife of Elias
Allow for \$40.00 per annum commencing
February 3, 1853 under Act 3rd February, 1853.
The 2nd _____ thereof.

S.B. Powell, Esq.
Livonia Station
Livingston County, N.Y.

DECLARATION OF
EUNICE URSLEY
CHAMBERLIN

PENSION CLAIM
September 3, 1856
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DECLARATION OF
EUNICE URSLEY
CHAMBERLIN
PENSION CLAIM
September 3, 1856
Transcription

State of New York
County of Allegany

On the third day of September, 1856, before a Justice of the Peace in and for in aforesaid so personally appeared EUNICE CHAMBERLIN, aged 69 years, a resident of the Town of Ossian, and State and County, aforesaid being duly sworn according to law doeth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress

passed on the 3rd day of February, 1853, granting pensions to widows of pensioners who served in the Revolutionary war.

That she is the widow of ELIAS CHAMBERLIN, deceased, who was a soldier in the Revolutionary war and for his service he drew a pension of forty dollars per annum and further thinks he served in the State of Vermont under Colonel Betle and some of the time in Massachusetts, to the best of the information and belief and that her said husband drew a pension in the Town of Livonia, Livingston County, New York.

She further states that she was married to the said Elias Chamberlin in the Town of Livonia, Livingston County, on the 6th day of September, A.D. 1807, by Lyman Cook, Justice of the Peace, and that her name before her said marriage was EUNICE URSLEY.

That her husband died, at the Town of Livonia, Livingston County, New York, on the twentieth day of December, 1835.

AFFIDAVITS for

**James “Cap” Wilkins and Almira
Wilkins
September 3, 1856
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That she was not married to him prior to the second of January, 1800, but at the time above stated

And she further states there is no public record of her marriage and there is living witnesses to her marriage and she cannot file herewith a discharge on his pension certificate and that she further states that her husband’s pension certificate was sent to Fe. E. Slaffler of Washington D.C. and that she further declares she is Elias Chamberlin’s widow , she hereby appoints S. B. Powell her true and lawful attorney with the power of substitution to prosecute her claim for a pension to receive a certificate when issued and to do all other acts necessary and proper in her business.

Witnesses

Cap Wilkins

her

Almira Wilkins

Eunice X Chamberlin

mark

We James Wilkins and Almira Wilkins, residents of the Town of Ossian and State of the aforesaid and Allegany County upon our oaths declare that the foregoing declaration was signed and was acknowledged by Eunice Chamberlin in our presence and that we believe from the appearance and statements of the applicant that she is the identical person she represents herself to be.

Witnesses
Cap Wilkins

Almira Wilkins

The foregoing declaration and affidavits were sworn to and subscribed before me on the day and year above written and I certify that I know the affiants to be credible persons. That the claimant is the person she represents herself to be and that I have no interest in this claim and I certify the applicant suffered bodily infirmity and is unable to attend.

Nathan A. Bisber,
Justice of the Peace

Certification
for
EUNICE URSLEY
CHAMBERLIN
PENSION CLAIM
September 3, 1856
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State of New York
Allegany County Clerk's Office

I, William B. Alley, Clerk of the County Court, In and for the County and State above mentioned, do hereby certify that Nathan A. Bisber, Esquire, whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing Declaration, Affidavit and Power of Attorney, is, and was at the time of signing the same, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts, as such, are entitled to full, faith and credit; and that the aforesaid County Court is a Court of record, having general jurisdiction.

Given under my hand and seal of office at,
Angolica, this 30th day of October AD 1856.

Clerk

William B. Alley,

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CHAMBERLIN
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CHAMBERLIN
BOUNTY LAND CLAIM
September 3, 1856
Transcription

State of New York

County of Allegany

On this third day of September, A.D. one thousand and eight hundred and fifty six, personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace within and for the County of and State aforesaid, EUNICE CHAMBERLAIN, aged 69 years, a resident of Ossian in the State of New York who being duly sworn according to law declaring that she is the widow of ELIAS CHAMBERLIN, deceased who being a soldier of the Revolutionary war and for which he drew a pension in the amount of forty dollars per annum. She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under the Act approved March 3, 1855.

She further states that she was married to the said Elias Chamberlin in the Town of Livonia on the sixth day of September, A.D. 1807, by one Lyman Cook, Justice of the Peace.

Her name before her said marriage was EUNICE URSLEY.

That her said husband died, in Livonia, on the twentieth day of December, AD 1835.

That she is now a widow. She also declares that she has not made any other application for either pension or land except those now present.

In witness hereof I have signed my name.

Witness: Cap Wilkins

her

Almira Wilkins

Eunice X Chamberlin

mark

AFFIAVITS FOR
ROXANNA CHAMBERLAIN
AND RHODA MCMILLAN
October 20, 1856
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State of New York

County of Livingston

On the 20th day of October, 1856, personally appeared before me the undersigned Justice of the Peace in and for said County, ROXANNA CHAMBERLAIN, and RHODA MCMILLAN, who are to me well known and who are credible witnesses and who being duly sworn depose and say that they are each well acquainted with ___ EUNICE CHAMBERLIN, the above applicant for a pension that they have known her for fifty years last past.

That they are well acquainted with ELIAS CHAMBERLIN, her late husband, having known him for fifty years previous to his death.

That they, said Elias Chamberlin and Eunice Ursley, were married on the sixth day of September, 1807. Deponents further state that they were married by one, Lyman Cook, Justice of the Peace.

And deponents further state that the said Elias Chamberlin died on the twentieth day of December, A.D. 1835, and the said Eunice Chamberlin has been since that day and still is reputed to be his widow which deponents believe to be the facts, that she has never married since her said husband's death and still is his widow and that her said husband was the identical man mentioned as a pensioner in her declaration above and that they, deponents, reside in the County aforesaid.

Witness
Roxanna Chamberlin
Richardson
Rhoda McMillan

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of October, AD 1856.

J. Hammond
Justice of the Peace

nscription

Session Office,

March 26. 1856

Sir,

The enclosed copy of a letter
of which was sent to you on the
November ~~last~~ ¹⁸⁵⁶, will inform you
is required to be done in the
Comptroller Chamberlain, with
a pension under act of Feb
as the widow of Elias Cha
I enclose, also, printed inst

J. B. Powell Esq
Livonia Station,
Livingston Co
New York.

ATTORNEY
Letter dated March 26, 1856
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Second Declaration of
EUNICE URSLEY
CHAMBERLIN
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dated May 29, 1858
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Second Declaration of
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CHAMBERLIN
PENSION CLAIM
Dated May 29, 1858
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And she was not married to him prior to the second of January, eighteen hundred, but at the time above stated, she further declares she is now a widow, to that she further states that her marriage was not publicly recorded for their was no need for such things done in town when I was married but there is living evidence of marriage which you will find filed in the pension office in my first application and now my health is some better for I can appear in open Court, and I did not know that the law was passed that the widows were entitled some 3 years ago.

Her

Eunice X Chamberlin

Mark

Sworn to and Subscribed

The 29th day of May, 1858

Before me, George Hastings, County Judge
of Livingston County, New York

State of New York

County of Livingston

I hereby appoint S. B. Powell her true and lawful attorney, with power of substitution to prosecute her claim for a pension or to receive a

certificate when issued and to do all other acts necessary to perform in her business.

Her

Eunice X Chamberlin

Mark

**AFFIDAVITS for
Rowland Powell and Rhonda
Powell
dated June 11, 1858
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**AFFIDAVITS for
Rowland Powell and Rhonda
Powell**

dated June 11, 1858
Transcription

State of New York
County of Livingston

On the 11th day of June, A.D. 1858 personally appeared before me the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, Rowland Powell and Rhonda Powell, who are to me well known, and who are credible witnesses, to whom being duly sworn, depose and says that they are each well acquainted with Mrs. Eunice Chamberlin, the above applicant for a pension, that they have known her for thirty or forty years past. That they are acquainted with, Elias Chamberlin, her late husband, having known him for thirty or forty years to his death. That the said Elias Chamberlin and Eunice Chamberlin lived together as husband and wife and were refuted so to be. That the deponent never heard the fact of their marriage disputed or questioned. That the said Elias Chamberlin died on the twentieth day of December, A.D. 1835, and the said Eunice Chamberlin is now his widow and is still refuted to be his widow which deponent believes to be a fact that she has never married since her said husband's death and to their knowledge and still is his widow, and that they have understood that her said husband was a pensioner, and that they, deponents, do reside in the County aforesaid, and our age is 70 and 66 years.

Rowland Powell

Rhonda Powell

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 11
day of June, A.D. 1858.

S. N. Chamberlin

Justice of the Peace

In and for said County

I hereby certify that

Eunice Chamberlin

is as I verily believe

the widow of my grandfather

Elias Chamberlin

S. N. Chamberlin

The words Eunice and also the words
Thirty four were interlined before signing.

S. N. Chamberlin

**Certification of Witnesses,
Officials
dated June 19, 1858**

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**Certification of Witnesses,
Officials
dated June 19, 1858
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State of New York
Livingston County Clerk's Office

I, H. Buell, Clerk of said County Court thereof, do hereby certify that S. N. Chamberlain Esquire, was at the date of the foregoing or annexed Affidavit, a Justice of the Peace, in and for said County, duly qualified and authorized to take the same; that I am well acquainted with his hand writing, and verily believe that the signature of said justice subscribed thereto, is genuine.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court and County, this 19 day of June, A.D., 1858.

H

Buell, Deputy Clerk
State of New York
Livingston County

On this 29th day of May, 1858, before me personally came Eunice Chamberlain, to me known as the person who executed the written power of attorney and application and that she executed the same.

GW Hastings, County Judge

of Livingston County
State of New York
Livingston County

I certify that the Town of Ossian, formerly in the County of Allegany, New York State was by an Act of the Legislature of the State annexed to the County of Livingston at a session of said Legislature held in 1857.

Dated June 19th 1858

GW Hastings, County Judge

of Livingston County

Declaration of
EUNICE URSLEY
CHAMBERLIN
Certification of Witnesses,
Officials
dated June 19, 1858

State of New York
Livingston County

I, H. Buell, Clerk of said County Court thereof, Do Hereby Certify that George Hastings, Esquire, was at the date of the foregoing or annexed Affidavit, an Acting Judge, in and for said County, duly qualified and authorized to take the same; that I am well acquainted with his hand writing, and verily believe that the signature of said justice subscribed thereto, is genuine

In witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Court and County this 19 day of June, A.D., 1858.

H Buell, Deputy Clerk

Attorney Letter
dated June 23, 1858
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Attorney Letter
dated June 23, 1858
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Cover of
Declaration of Pension
for
Eunice Ursely
Chamberlin
no transcription necessary

*Cover of Declaration of
Pension for*

**EUNICE URSLEY
CHAMBERLIN
Bounty Land
Transcription**

Claim: 295-738
3, 1855
EUNICE CHAMBERLIN
ELIAS CHAMERLIN
State of New York
Livingston County
6423
New York, Albany
EUNICE CHAMBERLAIN
Widow of ELIAS
Who served in the Revolutionary war,
As a private
Inscribed on the Roll at the rate of 40 dollars 00
Cents per annum to commence
On the 3rd February, 1853
Certificate of Pension issued
26th day of July, 1858,
and sent to

Bounty Land
Act of March
Claim of
Widow of

S. B. Powell
Livonia Station
Livingston, N. Y.
Recorded on Roll of Pensioners under Act
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Date of death not in AB

**Letter from Pension Office
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**Letter from Pension Office
dated September 2, 1858
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Pension Office
September 2, 1858

Sir,

*Second Declaration of
Pension*
EUNICE URSLEY

CHAMBERLIN
Bounty Land
Dated October 1, 1858
Transcription

*Second Declaration of
Pension*

EUNICE URSLEY
CHAMBERLIN
Bounty Land
Dated October 1, 1858
Transcription

On this thirty first day of October, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight, personally appeared before me, David Mcleurdy, within and for the County and State aforesaid, EUNICE CHAMBERLAIN, aged seventy one years, a resident of Ossian and

Livingston Counties, in the State of New York who being duly sworn according to the laws, declares that she is the Widow of ELIAS CHAMBERLAIN, deceased, who was a private in the war of the revolution and for which he drew a pension at the rate of forty dollars per annum.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the BOUNTY LAND for which she may be entitled under the Act approved March 3rd, 1855.

She further states that she was married to the said Elias Chamberlin in the Town of Livonia on the sixth day of September, A.D., 1807, by one Lyman Cook, Justice of the Peace, and that her name before her said marriage was EUNICE URSLEY.

That her late husband died at Livonia on the twentieth day of December, A.D., 1835, and that she is now his widow.

She also declares she has not made any other application except the one that she made in A.D. 1856 in the month of September, the third day, which you will find filed in the pension office with proof of marriage attached to it by living evidence that was present when I was married,

And she further states that the office has granted her pension on the account of her husband's service this year, one thousand eight

hundred and fifty eight, in the month of July 6, (July 6, 1858), and I further state that I now hold the pension certificate and if the office will refer to the papers that I have filed in the pension office they will find my proof of all, and she makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under the Act approved March 3, 1855.

her

Eunice

X Chamberlain

Mark

**AFFIDAVIT for
Jonathan Haynes and Mrs.
Haynes
dated October 1, 1858
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**AFFIDAVIT for
Jonathan Haynes and Mrs.
Haynes
dated October 1, 1858
Transcription**

We, Jonathan Haynes and Mrs. Haynes, residents of Ossian, (Allegany the Livingston) County, in the State of New York, upon our oath declare that the foregoing declaration was signed and acknowledged by Eunice Chamberlin in our presence, and that we believe by the appearance and the statements of the applicant that she is the identical person she represents herself to be.

Jonathan Haynes

Mrs.

Haynes

The foregoing declaration and affidavit were sworn to, and subscribed before me on the day and year above written, and I certify that I know the affiants to be credible persons. That the claimant is the person she represents herself to be, and that I have no interest in this claim.

David

Mcleurdy

Justice

of the Peace

Power of Attorney
dated October 31, 1858
Transcription

Power of Attorney
dated October 31, 1858
Transcription

Know all men by these presents that I,
EUNICE CHAMBERLIN, of the town of Ossian,

County of Livingston, I do hereby irrevocably make, constitute and appoint S. B. Powell my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to demand and receive from the Department of the Interior of the United States, the Certificate or Warrant to which I am entitled for my husband's Military Services as mentioned in the foregoing declaration and for good and sufficient reasons do hereby revoke and countermand any and all other power of attorney or other authority that may have been given by anyone else except the one above mentioned and vest the same solely and irrevocably in my said attorney said, S. B. Powell.

In testimony wherein, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 31st day of October, one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight.

Witness: David Mcleury
her

Eunice X Chamberlin
mark

Acknowledged and subscribed before me, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the County of the aforesaid above mentioned and State of New York, this 31st day of October, A.D. 1858.

**Certification for
Bounty Land
Pension
dated November 2, 1858
Transcription**

**Certification for
Bounty Land
Pension
dated November 2, 1858
Transcription**

State of New York
Livingston County Clerk's Office

I, H. Buell, do hereby certify, David Mcleurdy, Esquire, who at the date of this Certificate of Proof, or acknowledgment of the annexed instrument in writing, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, duly authorized to take the same: that I am well acquainted with his hand writing, and verily believe that the signature to said certificate is genuine.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto with my hand, and affixed the seal of said County and Court, this 2nd day of November, A.D., 1858.

H.

Buell, Deputy Clerk

Brief submitted in support of
Declaration of
EUNICE URSLEY
CHAMBERLIN
Bounty Land
Pension

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Brief submitted in support of
Declaration of
EUNICE URSLEY
CHAMBERLIN
Bounty Land
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dated October 1, 1858
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Brief in the case of EUNICE CHAMBERLAIN,
widow of ELIAS CHAMBERLAIN
Livingston County and State of New York
Act. February 3, 1853

Claim (“original”)

Proof Exhibits, (if original)

Is it documentary, traditionary or supported by rolls? If either state the substance.

Husband was pensioned under the Act of 7 June, 1832, at the rate of \$40.00 per annum.

Four witnesses testified to general reputation of marriage that the parties lived and cohabited together as man and wife.

Pensioner died December 20, 1834.

As per the affidavits of four credible affiants and report of the third

(If for increase)

Has additional evidence been filed since the admission of this claim? If so, what?

Widowhood has been established by six witnesses and a certificate of the Justice of the Peace who was present in the case.

S. B. Powell, Esq.

A.C. _____

Livingston, Station

Examining Clerk

Livingston, N.Y.

Name and residence of Agent

file Notes in File of

Bounty Land Pension After January 29, 1859

295.738 Act March 3, 1853
Nov 22, 1858

EUNICE CHAMBERLAIN

ELIAS CHAMBERLAIN
Private

Revolutionary war
160 ACRES, January 27, 1859

This 86,034 is January 28, 1859

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S. B. Powell, Esq.
Livonia Station
Livingston, New York

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Attorney Letter
dated November 8, 1858
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Attorney
Letter dated November 8,
1858

Relevant portion transcribed

Livonia Station
Livingston County, New York
Nov 8, 1858

Mr George Whiting

Sir, I send to your care the application for bounty land for the widow of Elias Chamberlin, deceased. This is the second application that this widow has made which you will find by returning to her papers that I filed in your office in A.D. 1856, in the month of September.

Yours Truly, S. B. Powell

George Whiting, esquire

**Acknowledgment of Pension
Award
and Bounty Land Award of
160 Acres
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**Acknowledgment of Pension
Award
and Bounty Land Award of
160 Acres
Transcription**

Pension Office
July 21, 1858

Sir,

I am pleased to certify at this time to which the within named pensioner was paid in hand, prior to his death, and what owed arrears, if any.

Yours respectfully,

Unreadable name
RJ Atkinson, Esq.
(Unreadable name)

80,034

160 Acres

3rd Auditor Office
July 21, 1838

Sir, Elias Chamberlain, Albany, New York, Act of 1832, at \$40.00 per annum.
Appears to have been hard to prove, 1832.

Very Respectfully

Unreadable name
Auditor

George C. Whiting, Esq.
Command of Pensions

No 6571

Eunice Chamberlain

Widow of Elias
New York

Letter: S.B. Powell, Nov. 11, 1856, same month 26,
1858.