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Pension Application¹ of Jason Chamberlain²

Certificate No. 11.721
New Hampshire

Jason Chamberlain of Tuftonborough in the state of New Hampshire who was a private in the regiment commanded by Colonel of the New Hampshire line, for the term of one year.

Inscribed on the Roll of New Hampshire at the rate of eight Dollars per month, to commence on the 22nd of April, 1818.

Certificate of Pension issued the 9th of June 1819 and sent to Dav^d Durell Esq Dover
New Hampshire

Arrears to 4 th of March, 1819	83.43
Semi-anl. All'ce ending 4 th Sept 1819	<u>48.00</u>
	\$ 131.43

Revolutionary Claim
Act 18th March, 1818

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² B. in 1756. Capt. Information provided by George Richard Chamberlin, Ocala, Florida

Affidavit of Jason Chamberlain
April 22nd 1818

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

On this 22nd day of April 1818, before me the subscriber, Chief Justice of the Courts of Common Pleas for the First District in said State, personally appeared Jason Chamberlain aged sixty two years, resident in Tuftonborough in the said district, 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 the late act of Congress, entitled “An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war:”

That the said Jason Chamberlain enlisted in said service in May or June 1775 in the state of New Hampshire in the company commanded by Captain Johathan Wentworth³ of the 2nd New Hampshire Regt to serve eight months that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States until January 1776 when he again enlisted in the same company for one year and he continued to serve in said corps until the last of February or first of March 1777 –

When he was discharged from the service in Morristown – state of New Jersey that he was in the battles of Trenton December 1776 – That in December 1778 (rest of paragraph indiscipherable but is most likely restated in subsequent affidavit, dated July 11th 1820 following this document) and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support:

I Daniel M. Durell, Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the first district in the State of New Hampshire, as aforesaid, do certify, that it appears to my satisfaction, that the said Jason Chamberlain did serve in the revolutionary war, as stated in the preceding declaration, against the common enemy; and I now transmit the proceedings and testimony taken and had before me, to the Secretary for the Department of War, pursuant to the directions of the aforementioned act of Congress.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the seal of said Court for the County of Strafford in said district, to be affixed to the same, this 22nd day of April A.D. 1818.

Attest Dan Waldron Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for said County of Strafford

³ Jonathan Wentworth. Captain 2nd New Hampshire, 23rd May to December, 1775; Captain 8th Continental Infantry, 1st January, 1776; cashiered 26th July, 1776; Major New Hampshire Militia in 1780. (Died 1790) Historical Register of Officers of the Continental Army during the War of the Revolution: April, 1775 to December, 1783 By Francis B. Heitman. Reprinted for Clearfield Company, Inc. by Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc. Baltimore, Maryland 2003.

Subsequent Affidavit Of Jason Chamberlain
July 11th 1830

To the Justices of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting at Rollingsford within and for the said County of Strafford and State of New Hampshire, on the July Tuesday of July, 1820.

Jason Chamberlain aged 64 years, resident of Tuftonborough in said County, comes into court, and in pursuance of an act of Congress passed on the 1st day of May, 1820, brings with him, and in his proper person exhibits to said court a Schedule by him subscribed, containing his whole Estate and Income – his necessary clothing and bedding excepted – as follows:

One cow & one hog and no other property.

Jason Chamberlin

And the said Jason Chamberlin in pursuance as aforesaid produceth to said Court the following oath by him duly taken and subscribed. – viz.

I Jason Chamberlin 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 manner, disposed of my property, or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it, as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled “An act to provide for certain persons 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 hereto annexed, and by me subscribed.

Jason Chamberlain

And the said Jason Chamberlin doth here in Court further declare on oath, that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, viz. in 1775 in June I enlisted into the company commanded by Capt. John Wentworth for eight months attached to Col. Poor’s⁴ Regt in the New Hampshire line – Before that time expired I enlisted into the same company & Regt for one year & served that time – in 1776 I enlisted into Capt. Carr’s⁵ company in New Jersey. I was assisting at the taking of the Hessian in Trenton and was in the second

⁴ Enoch Poor. Colonel 2nd New Hampshire, 23rd May to December 1775; Colonel 8th Continental Infantry, 1st January, 1776; Colonel 2nd New Hampshire, 8th November, 1776; Brigadier-General Continental Army, 21st February, 1777; died 8th September, 1780. Historical Register of Officers of the Continental Army during the War of the Revolution: April, 1775 to December, 1783 By Francis B. Heitman. Reprinted for Clearfield Company, Inc. by Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc. Baltimore, Maryland 2003.

⁵ James Carr. 1st Lieutenant 2nd New Hampshire, 23rd May to December, 1775; 1st Lieutenant, 8th Continental Infantry, 1st January, 1776; Captain 2nd New Hampshire, 8th November, 1776; taken prisoner at Hubbardton, 7th July, 1777; exchanged -----; transferred to New Hampshire Battalion, 1st March, 1782; Major, 8th December, 1782, and served to November, 1783. (Died 11th March, 1829)

battle at Trenton. In 1778, I shipped on board the ship of war, Ranger commanded by Capt. Thomas Simpson and assisting in taking the Georgia fleet as they were then (undescipherable).

That the date of his original declaration in order to obtain a pension is April 22nd 1818 and the number of his pension certificate is 11.721: That his occupation is that of a taylor very infirmed and unable to support myself being dim of sight. That the number and names of his family residing with him, and their ages and capacities to contribute to their support, are as follows, viz. My wife aged 59 years but very infirm for more than twenty years past and unable to support herself.

Wherefore he prays the opinion of the said Court as to the value of the property contained in the said schedule, and that the same, together with the premises be duly certified to the Secretary of War.

Sworn and declared before the said Court the 11th day of July 1820.

Jason Chamberlin

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE ---- Strafford s.s.

AT a Court of Common Pleas holden at Wolfborough within and for the county of Strafford and state of New Hampshire, on the 11th day of July 1820 before

DANIEL M. DURRELL, Chief Justice, and Valentine Smith and Samuel Quarles, Associate Justice of said Court

The aforesaid schedule and oath and the above declaration duly subscribed and sworn by the said Jason Chamberlin having been by him exhibited in person, and presented to the Court, and the same being seen and considered, it is the opinion of said Court that the value of the property contained in said schedule is twenty dollars & fifty cents. Wherefore the Court order that a copy of the premises, together with the proceedings thereon be duly certified to the Secretary of War.

Attest, A. Peirce, Clerk

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE ---- Strafford s.s.

I, Andrew Peirce, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas within and for the County of Strafford, being a court of record, do certify that the foregoing schedule and oath, and the declaration annexed, with the proceeding and opinion of the court thereon are true copies from the records and files of said court.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court, the 11th day of July 1820. A. Peirce, Clerk

**Declaration Of William Chamberlain and Eleanor Wiggin
Children Of Jason Chamberlain
November 12th 1850**

DECLARATION

State of New Hampshire County of Carroll ss.

On this twelfth day of November A.D. 1850, personally appeared before me John Peavey a Justice of the Peace, duly authorized to administer oaths within said County and State William Chamberlain aged seventy eight years, a resident of Tuftonborough in said State and Eleanor Wiggin aged fifty eight years, a resident of Tuftonborough in said State who being duly sworn according to law, declare that together with Jason Chamberlain they are the only surviving children of Jason Chamberlain late of Tuftonborough a Revolutionary Pensioner, and of Mary Chamberlain late of Tuftonborough his widow, who was a pensioner, and died on or about the ninety day of March A.D 1830. They make this declaration for the purpose of obtaining arrearages of pension due the said Jason Chamberlain and Mary Chamberlain at the time of his & her death, by reason of his not having received the full amount of pension to which, it is believed, he was entitled annually to receive, as will appear by a re-examination of the papers already on file in the Pension Office: pertaining thereto; -- and for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of all laws heretofore passed, relating to the class of pensions with which said Jason Chamberlain and Mary Chamberlain was included.

A rectangular stamp containing two handwritten signatures in cursive. The top signature reads "Wm Chamberlain" and the bottom signature reads "Eleanor Wiggin".

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the day and year above written: and I hereby certify that I believe the facts before mentioned to be true.

John Peavey, Justice of the Peace

STATE OF New Hampshire
County of Carroll s.s

I, Francis R. Chase Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State above mentioned, do hereby certify that John Peavey whose genuine signature appears above, is, and was at the time of signing the same, a Justice of the Peace and that his Commission is dated the 23rd day of December A.D. 1845, and continues for five years thereafter, in 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 Conway this 2nd day of December A.D. 1850

Francis B. Chase, Clerk

