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From files of George Richard Chamberlin**

**PENSION APPLICATION<sup>1</sup> OF JOSHUA CHAMBERLIN<sup>2</sup>  
Application No. S 34687**

To Michigan from New York Roll

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Joshua Chamberlin, private Massachusetts line in the army of the United States during the Revolutionary War. Capt. Miller.

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Subscribed on the Roll of New York at the rate of eight Dollars per month, to commence on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of Nov. 1818 and sent to Gideon Frisbe, Esq. Judge Lewistown, Niagara Co. NY.

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| Arrears to 4 <sup>th</sup> of Sept 1818            | 40.53        |
| Semi-anl. All'ce ending 4 <sup>th</sup> March 1819 | <u>48.00</u> |
|  | 88.53        |

3 years

Revolutionary claim  
Act 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818

Notification sent 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1821 to Thomas Rowland, Detroit, Michigan

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<sup>2</sup> Line of descent: Joshua (5), John (4), John (3), Thomas (2) and William (1). Born 1762. Married Sarah Brown. Information by George Richard Chamberlin.

**AFFIDAVIT OF JOSHUA CHAMBERLIN**  
**April 3, 1818**

State of New York  
County of Niagara s.s

On the third day of April 1818 before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the said County in the State aforesaid personally appeared Joshua Chamberlin, aged fifty five years and nine months resident of the Town of Lewiston, County aforesaid who being 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 Joshua Chamberlin on the third day of April one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven enlisted in the Town of Richmond, Berkshire County and State of Massachusetts in the company commanded by Captain Jeremiah Miller of the first Massachusetts Regiment and commanded by Colonel Joseph Vose and General John Glover's (sp) Brigade for the term of three years. That he continued to serve in said corps in the service of the United States until the third day of April one seven hundred and eighty –when he was discharged from the service at the Highlands on the noll the last day of the month near two miles east of West Point in the State of New York by a discharge signed by Joseph Vose, Lieutenant Colonel, commandant of said regiment and that he in the 1784 lost his discharge in New Haven, County of Addison and State of Vermont, 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 power to prove of his said service.

Joshua Chamberlin

Sworn to and declared before me this day and year aforesaid  
Gideon Frisbe

**SUBSEQUENT AFFIDAVIT OF JOSHUA CHAMBERLIN**  
**August 8, 1820**

Territory of Michigan  
County of Wayne s.s.

One this eight day of August 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record for said county, Joshua Chamberlin, aged fifty eight years, resident in Detroit in said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, that he enlisted in a company commanded by Capt. Jeremiah Miller, in regiment commanded by Colonel Joseph Vose in the Massachusetts line, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1777 and served for and during the term of three years and was honorably discharged, on the third day of April 1780 and is pensioned under that act of Congress, "entitled an act to provide for certain persons, engaged in the land and naval service of the United States during the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1818 was dated the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1818 as he verily believes, and that he has received a pension certificate under this act aforesaid numbered 4624. And, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not in any manner, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with the intent to diminish it, as to bring myself within the provisions of the act of Congress entitled an "act to provide for certain persons, engaged in the land and naval service of the United States during the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1818 and that I have not nor has any person, for me in trust any property, or securities other than what is contained in the schedule hereunto annexed, and by me subscribed: To wit 1 desk 1 chair

(Signed) Joshua Chamberlin

I also declare and state that my occupation is that of a farmer, and that from infirmity, I am unable to support myself by it and that I have no family.

(Signed) Joshua Chamberlin

Territory of Michigan  
County of Wayne s.s.

I Thomas Rowling, Clerk of said County, do hereby certify, that the foregoing oath, and the schedule thereto annexed, are truly copied, from the record of said Court, and I do further certify, that it is the opinion of said Court that (remainder of document not present)

Information as contained in his (or his widow's) application for pension on file in this Bureau. Joshua Chamberlin Pen. File 34687

| Dates of<br>Enlistment or<br>Appointment | Length of<br>Service | Rank | Officers Under Whom Service Was Rendered |             | State |
|--|----------------------|------|--|-------------|-------|
|  |                      |      | Captain                                  | Colonel     |       |
| April 3, 1777                            | April 3, 1780        | Pvt. | Jerremiah Miller                         | Joseph Vose | Mass  |

Battles engaged in (none mentioned)

Residence of soldier at enlistment, enlisted at Richmond, Berkshire, Mass

Date of application for pension, April 3, 1818. His cl. Was al.

Residence at date of application, Lewiston, Niagara Co, NY

Age at date of applicaton, 55 years and 9 mos.

Remarks, In 1820 soldier was a resident of Detroit, Wayne Co., Michigan.