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**PENSION APPLICATION<sup>1</sup> OF NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN (IN)<sup>2</sup>  
Application No. S. 18778**

Vermont

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Nathaniel Chamberlain of Windham Co. in the State of Vermont who was a private in the company commanded by Captain Brooks of the (not stated) commanded by (not stated) in the Massachusetts line for Private 14 mo                      \$ 46.66

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Inscribed on the Roll of Vermont at the rate of 46 Dollars and 66 Cents per annum, to commence on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1831.

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Certificate of Pension issued the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January 1833 and sent to P. White, Putney, Vt.

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Arrears to 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 1832	\$ 69.99
Semi-annl, allowance ending 4 March 1833	<u>23.33</u>
	\$ 93.32

Revolutionary claim  
Act June 7, 1832

Recorded by Vaial Luce, Clerk  
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<sup>2</sup> Line of descent: Nathaniel (5), Jacob (4), Jacob (3), John (2) and Edmund (1). Born 1760. Baptised 7 September 1760, Hopkinton, Middlesex, Massachusetts. Died 6 November 1859, prob. Wardsboro, Windham, Vermont. Information by James Baldwin Parker.

**AFFIDAVIT OF NATHANIEL CHAMBERLAIN**  
**July 30, 1832**

STATE OF VERMONT  
County of Winham, s.s

Probate District of Marlborough at the Probate Court within and for the said District, being a Court of Record so declared by the Statutes of this State and having a Seal and Register.

On this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 1832, personally appeared in open Court at Newfane in said District Present The Hon. Marshall Miller, Esquire, Judge of said Court. Before the said Probate Court, within and for said District now sitting, Nathaniel Chamberlain a resident of Wardsboro in the county of Windham and State of Vermont, aged seventy one years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832 – That he entered into the service of the United States, under the following named officers, and served as herein stated.

The said Nathaniel Chamberlain declares and says that he first enlisted in the company commanded by Capt. Brooks in the month of November 1776 for said term, three months and served at Boston, he served term of three months and was regularly discharge at Boston on the last of February or first of March 1777 – and that afterwards in the spring of 1778 he enlisted again for the term of three months in the company of Capt. John Holmes and served the term of three months at Cambridge and vicinity and at the end of said term was regularly dismissed at Cambridge but there is no written discharge – Afterwards he enlisted for the term of four months in the company commanded by Capt. Brooks in the month of September 1778 went to Providence, Rhode Island, after two months went to Boston and was stationed there till the end of that said term in the month of January 1779 and was there dismissed in January 1779 the company was not attached to any regiment was employed guarding the continental stores and fortifications. Afterward in the month of September 1778 he enlisted and joined a company commanded by Capt. McFarland, went to Providence, Rhode Island and was stationed on College Hill and remained there for the time of six weeks and was then dismissed but received no written discharge. Afterwards enlisted for the term of two months and went to Castle William, on Castle Island in the harbour of Boston and remained there in building fortifications and doing garrison duty till the close of said term of two months when he was dismissed. This service was performed in the month of August & September 1777. Man called Fatigue (sp), man named Gibson acted as officers, General (sp) inspected the work and was frequently there.

Afterward he volunteered and entered the company commanded by Capt. Parmenter and went to Rhode Island was employed in helping build fortifications in the month of August 1780 – and after remaining there & at Lewiston about two months he was dismissed – And he further says that he has said evidence to prove in part his services and to prove a (undecipherable) has no proof within his knowledge.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. To the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department, he answers, upon his oath, as follows:

- 1 At Hopkinton, County of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts in 1760.
2. He has a record in his possession taken from his father's Bible many years ago from which it appears that he was born 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1760.
3. At Hopkinton during the term of his services.
4. He volunteered and enlisted.
5. He does not recollect any in particular other than those already named – his services were in detached corps – separate from the main army – of course but for (undecipherable) within his knowledge.
6. Never received any written discharge.
7. See names, Asa Wheelock and Pearley Fairbank, Esquires, both served in regiment.

Nathaniel Chamberlin

**AFFIDAVIT OF NATHANIEL CHAMBERLIN**  
**June 4 1833**

State of Vermont  
Windham County s.s.

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June AD 1833 before me Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State above named personally appeared Nathaniel Chamberlin, aged 74 years who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Nathaniel Chamberlin, who is a revolutionary soldier now in the receipt of a pension of forty six dollars and 66 cents as appears by his pension receipt dated the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January 1833, a copy of which is hereby attached.

He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land to which he is entitled under the Act of March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1833 never having received Bounty Land are knowing that he is entitled except for the above service

his  
Nathaniel X Chamberlin  
Mark

Sworn and subscribed and acknowledged before me the day and year first above named and on the same day personally came before me (undecipherable) Lewis Ware Charles Bridges and Wm. E. May residents of Wardsboro in the County and State aforesaid to me known as credible witnesses who being duly sworn according to law declare that they are personally acquainted with Nathaniel Chamberlin who has made and subscribed the foregoing declaration, that they were present and saw him make his mark to said declaration and that from the appearance of the applicant and their acquaintance with him, they believe that he is the identical person he represents himself to be. That they are disinterested in the claim and reside at the place above named. (No further part of document)

BRIEF in the case of Nathaniel Chamberlain of Wardsboro, Windham Co in the State of Vermont (Act 7 June 1832)

1. Was the declaration made before a Court or a Judge? In open court.
2. If before a judge, does it appear that the applicant is disabled by bodily infirmity?
3. How old is he? 71 years.
4. State his service, as directed in the form annexed.

Period	Duration of Service	Rank	Names of General and Field Officers under who he served.
In 1776	3 mos.	Private	Capt. Brooks
1777	2 mos	"	Harbor duty Boston Harbor, General Hancock
Spring 1778	3 mos.	"	Capt. Holmes
Fall " before	4 mos.	"	Capt. Brooks
" 1779 before	1 mo 15 days	"	Capt. McFarland
1780	15 days	"	Capt. Parmenter

1 year 2 mos Massachusetts troops

5. In what battles was he engaged: None
6. Where did he reside when he entered the service? Hopkinton, Middlesex County, Massachusetts.
7. Is his statement supported by living witnesses, by documentary proof, by traditionary evidence, by incidental evidence, or by the rolls? Living witness as to the service in 1776 and spring of 1778 – Traditionary as to the other, supported by testimony according to the regulations.
8. Are the papers defective as to form or authentication? and if so, in what respect? They are defective. The authenticity of the magistrate's signature, not certified to by the Clerk.

I certify that the foregoing statement and the answers agree with the evidence in the case above mentioned.

Robert Fowler, Examining Clerk