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**PENSION APPLICATION¹ OF REBECCA CHAMBERAIN,
WIDOW OF LEWIS CHAMBERLAIN²**

Application No. W. 8604

AFFIDAVIT OF REBECCA CHAMBERLAIN

September 1, 1848

Declaration

In order to obtain benefit of the third section of the Act of Congress of the 29th of July 1848.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Plymouth County s.s.

On this first day of September in the year 1848, personally appeared before me this subscriber, Judge of Probate in and for the County of Plymouth in the State of Massachusetts, Rebecca Chamberlain, widow of Lewis Chamberlain a resident of East Bridgewater in said County of Plymouth and State of Massachusetts aged eighty four year who being fist duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed July 29th 1848 – That she is the widow of Lewis Chamberlain, who was a soldier in the War of the American Revolution and served in various companies therein as a private.

He served under Capt. Abram Washburn, Captain James Allen and under General Putnam and was at New York, Dorchester Point and other places as I have heard him say but for proof I must refer to the Rolls and documents which have been preserved of his service – he enlisted from Bridgewater in said County of Plymouth in which Town he was born. She further declares that she was married to the said Lewis Chamberlain on the first day of January in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety four and that her husband the said Lewis Chamberlain died on the twentieth day of March in the year 1826 and that she has remained a widow ever since that period as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed.

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² Line of descent: Lewis (6), Benjamin (5) Freedom (4), Nathaniel (3), William (2) and Henry (1). Born 20 August 1758, Pembroke, Plymouth, Massachusetts. Died 20 or 21 March 1826, East Bridgewater, Plymouth, Massachusetts.

Rebecca Chamberlain

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year first above written.

Before me, Aaron Hobart, J. Probate

I hereby certify that the above named Rebecca Chamberlain is personally known to me and that she is a person of truth and veracity and that from age and infirmity she was unable to attend court. And I further certify, that the erasure and interlineations of the word "seven", in the fourth line from the top, were made before the signing of the said Rebecca.

Aaron Hobart, J. Probate

EXTRACT OF MARRIAGE RECORD
September 18, 1848

Commwealth of Massachusetts

County of Plymouth and Town of Halifax, September 19th 1848, I Zudock Thompson the subscriber do hereby certify that it appears by the records of said Town that there is contained the following entry of the Marriage of Lewis Chamberlain of Bridgewater and Rebecca Thompson of Halifax, January first one thousand seven hundred and ninety four. They were joined in marriage by Rev^d Ephraim Briggs. I certify that it is a true copy of the Records with the exception of the date which is expressed on the records in fair legible figures, January 1st 1794. Lewis Chamberlin of Bridgewater and Rebecca Thompson of Halifax were joined in marriage by the Rev^d Ephraim Briggs.

Attest: Zudock Thompson, Town Clerk of Halifax.

I Zudock Thompson above named depose and say that I hold the office of Town Clerk in the Town, County and State aforesaid, and that the above is a true entry from the said Town with the exception above named and certified by me.

Attest: Zudock Thompson, Town Clerk

Plymouth ss. September 19, 1848 Personally appeared Zudock Thompson and made oath on due form of law that the above statement by him subscribed is true.

Before me Dexter C. Thompson, Justice of Peace.