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THE MICHIGAN STATE SOCIETY
OF THE
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

—OF—

LELAND C. BRIGGS

DESCENDANT OF

PHINEAS BRIGGS

of Norton, Massachusetts

Obadiah Johnson - Supplemental follows

Application examined and approved

C. M. Burlin

State Registrar

Accepted by the State Board of Management

March 15 1928
Raymond E. Van Sickle

State Secretary

DATES

Application filed with State Secretary

Notification of election

Fees paid

Duplicate sent to Registrar General

Approved and registered by Registrar General

Certificate of Membership delivered

Badge delivered

Resigned

Transferred

Deceased

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National Number _____ State Number _____
 ISSUED BY AUTHORITY OF THE NATIONAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
 Lansing, Mich., Feb. 22nd, 1928

TO THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE MICHIGAN STATE SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

I, Leland C. Briggs being of the age of 42 years
 hereby apply for membership in this Society by right of lineal descent in the following line from _____

Phineas Briggs
 who was born in Norton, Massachusetts on the 15th day of April 1750
 and died in Russia, Harkness Co., N.Y. on the 10th day of Feb. 1843
 and who assisted in establishing American Independence.

I was born in Lansing County of Ingham
 State of Michigan on the 22nd day of July 1878

- (1) I am the son of Leland Hercules Briggs born 1848, died 1901, and
 his wife Sarah C. Briggs born 1848, died 1901, and
 (2) grandson of Stephen Briggs born 1800, died 1894, and
 his wife Rosetta Lucretia Bates born 1828, died 1908, married 1844
 (3) great-grandson of Samuel Briggs born 1773, died 1832, and
 his wife Content Cotton born 1777, died 1842, married 1798
 (4) great-great-grandson of Phineas Briggs born 1750, died 1843, and
 his wife Sarah Hall born 1751, died 1813, married 1772
 (5) great-great-great-grandson of Dea. Phineas Briggs born 1718, died 1754, and
 his wife Father Finney born _____, died _____, married 1739
 (6) great-great-great-great-grandson of Dea. John Briggs born 1680, died 1756, and
 his wife Hannah Rockett born _____, died _____, married 1712
 (7) great-great-great-great-great-grandson of William Briggs born _____, died 1692, and
 his wife Sarah Macomber born _____, died 1680, married 1686
 and he, the said Phineas Briggs (No. 4) is the ancestor who assisted in

establishing American Independence, while acting in the capacity of Volunteer Soldier and
Minute Man from April 1775 to Sept. 1778

Nominated and recommended by the undersigned members of
 the Society:

Albert A. Allen
John E. Cotton

Signature of applicant, (Name in full)

Leland C. Briggs
 Address,
R. F. D. #5, Lansing, Michigan
 Occupation,
Building Material Merchant

ANCESTOR'S SERVICE

"Section 1. Any man shall be eligible to membership in the Society who, being of the age of twenty-one years or over, and a citizen of good repute in the community, is the lineal descendant of an ancestor who was at all times unflinching in his loyalty to, and rendered active service in, the cause of American Independence, either as an officer, soldier, seaman, marine, militiaman, or minute man, in the armed forces of the Continental Congress, or of any one of the several Colonies or States, or as a signer of the Declaration of Independence; or as a member of a Committee of Safety or Correspondence; or as a member of any Continental, Provincial, or Colonial Congress or Legislature; or as a recognized patriot who performed actual service by overt acts of resistance to the authority of Great Britain. Provided, however, that any male person, above the age of 18 years and under the age of 21 years, whose qualifications in regard to ancestry and personal character are as above prescribed, shall be eligible to a qualified membership to be known and designated as junior membership."—Constitution of National Society S. A. R., Article III, Section 1, adopted June 2, 1897, and as amended.

Membership is based upon one original claim; when the applicant derives eligibility by descent from more than one ancestor, and it is desired to take advantage thereof, separate applications, to be marked "Supplemental Application," should be made in each case and filed with the original.

State fully such documentary or traditional authority as you found the following record upon, and also the residence of ancestors, with dates of birth and death, if known.

By order of the Board of Trustees, May 3, 1911, the recipient of a certificate granted on this application agrees to surrender his certificate upon failure to pay his membership fee, unless his membership shall cease by reason of death or actual disability, to be determined by the Society of which he is a member.

My ancestor's services in assisting in the establishment of American Independence during the War of the Revolution were as follows:

Exact copy of written statement
of Green G. Raum, Commissioner of
Pensions, U.S. Dept. of Interior,
dated July 5, 1890.

"Phineas Briggs was born, 1750, in Norton, Bristol County, Mass., where he was residing during, and also for two years, after the war, then he lived in Rehoboth, same county, 6 years; in Savoy, Berkshire County, Mass., 6 years, and finally settled in Russell, Berkshire County, Mass., where he was residing in Oct. 1832 when he applied for his pension and had resided there for 32 years. He deceased Feb. 10, 1843, leaving one child surviving him."

"On the alarm that hostilities had commenced at Lexington, Mass., April 19, 1775, he 'turned out' at Norton in April 1775, marched to Roxbury to participate in the Siege of Boston where, on the organization of the troops assembled, he immediately volunteered for 8 months under Capt. Silas Cobb in Col. Waker's regiment."

"On his return home in Dec. 1775 he was enrolled as a minute man, in Jan'y, 1776, under Capt. Seth Smith in his company of Artillery, where he continued during the war, Subject to be called out in alarms and emergencies as temporary guard. His principal duty was coast guard."

("The British landed and occupied Newport R.I. the first week in December 1776, and did not evacuate the place until Nov. 1, 1779. There was a Campaign in 1777 under Genl. Spencer, and another in 1778, under Genl. Sullivan to dislodge the enemy, who were frequently sending out foraging parties into R.I. and Mass. burning buildings etc?)

"Sometime in April or May 1778 he was 'called out' to march 20 miles to Warren R.I. and vicinity as guard on the shores of Narragansett Bay. During this period Genl. Prescott, a British Officer who had been captured by Col. Barton of R.I. and exchanged, sent Vessels with a large force in the night of the 24th of May, which reached Warren in the morning of the 25th, and burnt the place before it could be reached by the Artillery Company that Phineas Briggs was in, under