



THE WINTHROP SOCIETY

DESCENDANTS OF THE GREAT MIGRATION

READ before Completing Application

Applications must be completed on your computer's word processor or typed with a black ribbon. The Winthrop Society WILL NOT ACCEPT handwritten applications.

There are two formats of the application form available; an editable Microsoft Word document and an editable Adobe PDF. These may be filled in on the computer with the ability to enlarge spaces if needed for additional information. If you choose to print a blank form of this application and then complete it, the entries **must be typed** with a black ribbon, not handwritten.

Please follow the following guidelines.

- The settler or qualifying ancestor is to occupy the space for Generation 1 on the application; progress forward in chronological order ending with yourself.
- Always use complete names (including full middle names) and dates of events when known.
- **For each generation, cite its proofs** in the "Proofs" space provided. Use complete citations (**Abbreviations are OK**).
- Write **dates** using a numerical day, three-letter month, and four-digit year, such as: **12 May 2008**.
- Leave space **blank** if you have no relevant information. Do not use n/a or -0-.
- Use paper clips instead of staples to hold pages together. Do not use staples at all.
- On **each proof** mark the generation(s) shown in the proof, using red pen in the upper right-hand corner (e.g. "Gen 6, 7" or "Gen 5," etc.).
- Put a red check in the margin on your documentation next to the relevant information or carefully underline using red pen. **DO NOT USE HIGHLIGHTER**.

The Winthrop Society is a lineage society which requires a proven, direct (non-collateral), unbroken line from you to the settler who lived in the Massachusetts Bay Area. Acceptable proof **must** accompany the application.

Acceptable proof includes, but is not limited to: birth, death and marriage certificate or records; certain Bible records; copies of actual federal and state census records; Social Security Death Index transcriptions; tombstones images (include image showing name and location of cemetery/burial plot); church records; deeds, wills and other court records, pension records; and *certain publications such as family and county histories which will be considered on a case-by-case basis*. **Always** include a copy of the title page when submitting pages from a book or Bible. **The Great Migration series by Robert Charles Anderson is the best source to use to start your first two generations**. Do **not** use undocumented lineages found on the Internet or large undocumented family trees: these are not proofs and are totally unacceptable.

Upon completion, the application should be sent with your application check, payable to "The Winthrop Society." Submit to:

*Winthrop Society Member Processing
Marie A. Seelye, Processing Assistant
13802 Pine Glen Dr E
Black Forest, CO 80908-3508*



THE WINTHROP SOCIETY

DESCENDANTS OF THE GREAT MIGRATION

Application for Membership

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

I hereby apply for full membership in THE WINTHROP SOCIETY: DESCENDANTS OF THE GREAT MIGRATION by virtue of my direct descent from a qualifying ancestor (terms set forth below).

My descent is from _____

who (*underline one*) arrived/settled in _____

on _____, 16____. My ancestor arrived aboard the ship _____

(*optional*).

Proof of ancestor's date, place, and/or vessel of arrival may be found in the following source:

Qualifying ancestors will have arrived in the Massachusetts Bay Colony on or before 31 December, 1635, Julian calendar. This includes:

- passengers of the Winthrop fleet and the passengers of the *Mary & John*, 1630;
- the earlier Puritan settlers who arrived in the 1620's with Mr. Thomas Gardner, Capt. John Endecott, and Rev. Francis Higginson;
- passengers of relief ships which arrived before 31 December, 1635, Julian calendar;
- a certain few Plymouth men, such as Mr. Allerton, Capt. Conant, Dr. Fuller, and Gov. Winslow, who made significant contributions to the early settlement of the Massachusetts Bay Colony;
- worthy non-Puritans who settled in the Colony between 1622 and 1635 who remained in New England, such as Mr. Blackstone and Mr. Thomson;

(*continued*)

- pre-1635 permanent settlers of Piscataqua, Sagadahoc, and Maine, such as the Hiltons and Mr. Wiggin;
- the Adventurers (investors) of the Rev. John White's Dorchester Company, 1623-1628, and the Adventurers of the Massachusetts Bay Company, 1628-1635, whether or not they ever settled in America.

Excluded are those settlers who were executed or expelled from the Colony for felonious crimes.

I certify that my beliefs and lifestyle are not deliberately antithetical to the U.S. Constitution, or to the ethics espoused in the New Testament as I sincerely conceive them. I have never been convicted of a felony within the borders of the United States or Canada. I have never been dishonorably discharged from U.S. military service.

I further certify that all of the information contained in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, correct.

Applicant Signature

Date

Please check this box if you wish to have a signed record copy of your approved application mailed back to you. If you choose this option, please include an additional \$10.00 to your application fee.

Approved _____ **Member Number** _____

Winthrop Society Registrar

My descent from the Great Migration era is as follows:

- 1.** _____, my QUALIFYING ANCESTOR, was
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____
m. _____ at _____
to. _____
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their (son/daughter) _____ was

- 2.** _____
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____
m. _____ at _____
to. _____
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

- 3.** _____
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____
m. _____ at _____
to. _____
b. _____ at _____
d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

4.

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to. _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

5.

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to. _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

6.

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to. _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

7.

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to. _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

8.

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to. _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

9.

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to. _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

10.

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to. _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

11.

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to. _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

12.

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to. _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

13.

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to. _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

14.

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to. _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs:

Their _____ was

15.

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

m. _____ at _____

to. _____

b. _____ at _____

d. _____ at _____

Proofs: