



THE WINTHROP SOCIETY

DESCENDANTS OF THE GREAT MIGRATION

READ before Completing Application

First, save the blank application to your own computer, and use the saved copy.

1. The Winthrop Society ("WS") is a lineage society that requires a proven, direct, unbroken line from to the Applicant from the **settler who arrived and resided (at least for a short time) in the Massachusetts Bay Colony**. See page 2 of these Instructions for a current list of qualifying times and settlements. All generations must be entered on the application. Cite proofs of each generation in the respective generational "Proof" area, and include copies of the proof documents with the application.
2. WS does NOT accept DNA as evidence.
3. The Applicant's original signature is required.
4. WS does not accept undocumented lineages found on the internet, or large undocumented family trees.
5. Always use names exactly as shown on proofs and include dates and places of events when known. Do not include middle names if they are NOT on the proof documents. If records contain middle initials (rather than middle names), use them.
6. **All entries require proofs.** A **hard copy** of the proof must be included with the application when the application is sent to the Registrar. A hyperlink or URL address is not proof. A book name is not proof; copies of the appropriate page(s), including title pages, must be included.
7. Write dates thusly: 23 Sep 1856. Do not convert Julian Calendar dates. Write Quaker dates precisely as written. Beware of double-dating (example): 21 Mar 1631/2. It's not a guess; it is a **real** date.
8. **Leave space blank if you have no provable information.** **Do NOT use n/a or -0- or "living."**
9. Information summaries from FIND A GRAVE are NOT acceptable. A picture of a tombstone, if legible, is acceptable, but must include the name and location of the cemetery/burial plot (which may be handwritten or typed). If the Registrar cannot read the inscription, it is not acceptable. Download the photograph to your computer and print it page-size. Postage-stamp photographs are impossible to decipher.
10. **Underline in RED or highlight in a light color** all pertinent information for each generation and indicate the generation number for which the proof is intended.
11. **The Great Migration series by Robert Charles Anderson should be used to start your first two generations.** His works are available in most genealogical libraries and at AmericanAncestors.org.
12. Always include a copy of the title page, including author's name, title of book, date of compilation, and page numbers. This should also be done when submitting pages from bibles.
13. If several generations use the same book, make one copy of the title page, and label it: "Gen 1, 2, 3, etc." and put "Gen ____" on the appropriate page(s) of the proof. DO NOT make multiple copies of the same pages for different generations. All pages + Title Page should be put together (paper clips or staples are helpful here) and sent as one packet.

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15. The first time you use a book for a proof, write it out in full: **Robert Charles Anderson, "The Great Migration Begins, Immigrants to New England, 1620-1633" (3 vols., 1995), p. 179;** thereafter, you may use an abbreviated form of citation for that source: **"GMB, p. 179"**
16. Unacceptable books are volumes by James Savage, Charles Banks, Frederick Virkus, and William Richard Cutter. These works have been superseded with modern volumes.
17. Record copies from other genealogical societies **might** be accepted in place of standard proof documentation. Ask the WS Registrar for approval first, as not all societies have the same documentary requirements. Not all record copies are acceptable.
18. If using a record copy, it is **NOT sufficient** to merely state a society's application and number. This is not a proper citation. **State the evidences used in order to prove that application.**

QUESTIONS will be answered by the Registrar as time permits, remembering that the Registrar holds many similar positions. Please be patient in awaiting a response, and please be thorough in your question-asking. Multiple messages slow the process of review and approval. E-mail your questions to LeaveYourLegacy@att.net

The qualifying timeframe for ancestors to have arrived and settled somewhere within the **Massachusetts Bay Colony** is 1629-1640. The ancestor must have settled for at least one year in any one or more of the following settlements that were established by 1640. Combinations are acceptable:

Andover	Concord	Lynn	Salem	plus:	Exeter
Beverly	Dedham	Marblehead	Salisbury		Hampton
Boston	Dorchester	Medford	Springfield		Portsmouth
Braintree	Hingham	Newbury	Sudbury		Dover
Cambridge	Hull	Rowley	Watertown		
Charlestown	Ipswich	Roxbury	Weymouth		

Submitting your Application

Payment must be made in **two checks**, as noted below. Fees and dues are as follows:

Annual Membership Enrollment: \$80 (refundable) + \$30 application fee (non-refundable)
Life Membership Enrollment: \$350 (refundable) + \$30 application fee (non-refundable)
Supplemental Enrollment: \$20 (refundable) + \$30 application fee (non-refundable)

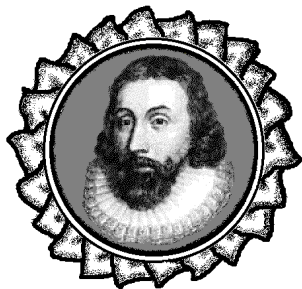
As noted, the \$30 application fee is non-refundable. Your check for the application fee should be made payable to **Suzanna E. Rawlins**.

Enrollment checks should be made payable to **The Winthrop Society**. Be sure you have indicated which type of application you are submitting by ticking the appropriate box at the top of the first page of the Application.

Annual Membership Enrollment includes your first year's annual dues. All options include a certificate.

Once you have completed the application, send the signed application and your proof documents, together with your checks, payable as noted above, to:

Suzanna E. Rawlins, Winthrop Society Registrar
108 Willow Creek South Lane, Alabaster, AL 35007-9057
registrar@winthropsociety.com



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Tick one
Preliminary
Supplementary

Membership Application

Name for Correspondence*: _____

Name for Certificate: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

I am eighteen (18) years of age or older. I hereby apply for 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 my qualifying ancestor _____

who arrived in the year 16

and settled first in _____, Massachusetts Bay Colony.

NOTE: Plymouth and Plymouth Colony settlements were *not* part of the Massachusetts Bay Colony until 1692, outside of the qualifying period.

Proof of above information may be found in the following source:

I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Signature

Date

Approved _____

Member Number _____

Supplement Number _____

Check Number _____

Amount Paid _____

Winthrop Society Registrar

My descent from an ancestor of 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 child was

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

Proofs:

Their child was

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

Proofs:

Their child was

4.

b.		at
d.		at
m.		at
to		
b.		at
d.		at

Proofs:

Their child was

5.

b.		at
d.		at
m.		at
to		
b.		at
d.		at

Proofs:

Their child was

6.

b.		at
d.		at
m.		at
to		
b.		at
d.		at

Proofs:

Their child was

7.

b.

at

d.

at

m.

at

to

b.

at

d.

at

Proofs:

Their child was

8.

b.

at

d.

at

m.

at

to

b.

at

d.

at

Proofs:

Their child was

9.

b.

at

d.

at

m.

at

to

b.

at

d.

at

Proofs:

Their child was

10. _____

b.	_____	at	_____
d.	_____	at	_____
m.	_____	at	_____
to	_____		
b.	_____	at	_____
d.	_____	at	_____

Proofs:

Their child was

11. _____

b.	_____	at	_____
d.	_____	at	_____
m.	_____	at	_____
to	_____		
b.	_____	at	_____
d.	_____	at	_____

Proofs:

Their child was

12. _____

b.	_____	at	_____
d.	_____	at	_____
m.	_____	at	_____
to	_____		
b.	_____	at	_____
d.	_____	at	_____

Proofs:

Their child was

13.

b.

at

d.

at

m.

at

to

b.

at

d.

at

Proofs:

Their child was

14.

b.

at

d.

at

m.

at

to

b.

at

d.

at

Proofs:

Their child was

15.

b.

at

d.

at

m.

at

to

b.

at

d.

at

Proofs: