

Order for Removal of Weaver family. The Weaver family was illegally living in Portsmouth and was required to move back to Middletown.

10/19/1792

62, Box 2 (1700s)

To the Sergeant or either of the Constables of the Town of Portsmouth. And to the Overseer of the Poor of the Town of Middletown in the County of Newport and State of Rhode Island & to each and every of them, Greeting.

Upon the complaint of the Overseer of the poor of the Town of Portsmouth in said County of Newport unto the Town Council of said Portsmouth that Job Weaver, Ruth Weaver, his wife, Robert Weaver, aged about seven years, Shearman Weaver & Clark Weaver aged about four years and Sophia Weaver, aged about two years, their children, has come to inhabit in the Town of Portsmouth, not having gained a legal settlement therein, nor produced any certificate owing themselves settled elsewhere, and that the said Job, Ruth, Robert, Shearman, Clark and Sophia Weaver is likely to become chargeable to the said Town of Portsmouth. We the said Town Council upon proof thereof made, as well upon their examinations of the said Job & Ruth as otherwise. And likewise upon due consideration had of the premises, do adjudge the same to be true. And we likewise adjudge that the lawful settlement of the said Job, Ruth, Robert, Shearman, Clark and Sophia is in the said Town of Middletown in the County & State aforesaid. We do, therefore, require you the said Sergeant or Constables of the Town of Portsmouth aforesaid, or some or one of you to convey the said Job, Ruth, Robert, Shearman, Clark & Sophia from and out of the Town of Portsmouth, to the said Town of Middletown and them deliver to the overseer of the poor thereof or to some or one of them. Together with this our order or a true copy thereof at the same time showing to them the original, and we do also hereby require you the said overseer of the poor of the said Town of Middletown to receive and provide for them as inhabitants of your town. Given under my hand and seal of the Town Council aforesaid, the eighth day of the month called October, A.D. 1792, and seventeenth of Independency.

By Order of Council

[Signed by:]

[Abraham/Abram] Anthony, County Clerk