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Eleazer Brooks  
Scrapbook

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### **Collection Information**

Abstract : Personal and family papers of Eleazer Brooks, ca. 1700s-1790s, assembled in scrapbook format for the Lincoln Library in 1887.

Finding Aid : Finding Aid in print form is available in the Repository

Preferred Citation : Archives/Special Collections of the Lincoln Public Library, Lincoln, Massachusetts.

See Also: Lincoln Founding Families Collection, 2003.055.

Provenance : Donated to Lincoln Public Library by Horatio Wheeler, April 3, 1886.

MARC Access: Collection is catalogued in MARC under the following subject headings (lcsh, aat, gmGPC, etc.)

Lincoln (Mass.) -- History.  
Military commissions -- Massachusetts. aat  
Letters (Correspondence) -- Massachusetts -- Lincoln. aat  
Deeds -- Massachusetts -- Middlesex County. lcsh  
Legal documents -- Massachusetts -- Middlesex County.  
Real property -- Massachusetts -- Middlesex County.  
Inventories of decedents estates -- Massachusetts -- Middlesex County.  
Pews and pew rights.  
Paper money -- New Hampshire.  
Wheeler, Eleazer, 1727-1806.

### **Historical/Biographical Notes**

Eleazer Brooks was born about 1727, and with other members of the Brooks family was among the earliest of residents when Lincoln was incorporated in 1754. Eleazer Brooks was active locally and in state politics, and was an officer in the militia during the Revolutionary War. He was commissioned a Major General in 1781. Brooks died in Lincoln in 1806 in his 79th year.

### **Scope and Content**

The collection comprises deeds, military commissions, and other legal documents and correspondence and other papers relating to the affairs of Hon. Eleazer Brooks from ca. 1740s to ca. 1790s, with the bulk of the papers of the Revolutionary War period. Included with the papers are New Hampshire 40/ notes, redeemable after 1780.

The Eleazer Brooks papers were given to Lincoln Public Library in 1886 by Horatio Wheeler, Brooks' grandson. The papers were arranged by Dr. Tarbell according to a format used by Massachusetts Archives at that time, and placed in a scrapbook in 1887.

### **Series Descriptions**

Series 1: Scrapbook, ca. 1740s-1790s.

Eleazer Brooks Scrapbook  
2003.067  
Series 1, Scrapbook

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Identification #</u>	<u>Description</u>
BV		2003.067.1.1	Deeds, military commissions, commission as Justice of the Peace, notification of election as State Senator and Warrant for General Court sessions, correspondence, and other papers of Eleazer Brooks, including New Hampshire 40 shilling notes : manuscript documents fastened in scrapbook, ca. 85 p. / ca. 1740s-1790s.