

To the Honourable the Generall Assembly of this his Majest.
English Colony of Connecticut, in New England-----
to be Held at Hartford y^e second Thursday of May 1738

171 The Humble Memoriall of Jonathan, Nepash and a
John Tañon, Indians, of Farmington, in the County of
Hartford and Colony afores.^d in behalf of themselves and
the Rest of the Tribe of Indians, living in Farmington
afores.^d----

Sheweth

That there is in Farmington afores.^d a verry Good and
Valuable Tract of land which of Right hath allways belonged &
doth yet belong to y^e s.^d Tribe of Indians, y^e Memoriallists, being
in quantity about Ninety Acres be it More or Less, which is bounded
East and South on y^e River, North with part of a farm called Wells's
Farm and West w.th land of Daniel Lewis and Lyeth in the Com-
mon Field, and hath Anciently been Called & is now Known by y^e
Name of y^e Indian Neck, Which Tract of Land was never Sold to
or purchased by the English but in all y^e Grants & Deeds made
by the Indians to y^e English, ^{hath been Reserved} and when the Town of Farmington
purchased the Land in their Township there is Mention made
that the S.^d Tract ~~was~~ of Land was not Intended to pass but Re-
maid firm and good to the Said Indians and their heirs for Ever
And the Same they have formerly for many years together Quiet-
ly held and possesed and have thereon raised Corn &c for their
Support and Subsistance-----

That within a few years last past Capt William Wadsworth
~~The^s Wadsworth~~ L.^t Giles Hooker W.^m Hooker Deacon John Hart,
Hez. Lee Benjamin Porter W.^m Judd ~~Joseph Root~~ ^{Ensign Saml Lee} [^] Samuel Scott
Cap Josiah Hart Jonathan Smith Cap. Isaac Cowls and Ebenez.^r
Moodey all of Farmington afores.^d w.th. Diverse other English
men to the memoriallists not Known have Unjusly and with-
out Law Entered into the S.^d Tract of Land, and Dispossef's'd the
Memoriallists ~~thereof~~ of y^e greatest part thereof and do Continue --
to use and Emprove the Same to their own profitt, without
Any Liberty from y^e Memoriallists, or rendring Any rent for y^e
Same, and the Memoriallists, do Deforce and hold out of it --
to y^e Great Grief & Damage of y^e Memoriallists, who are thereby
Reduced to great Want for y^e Suport of their Lives &c---

Whereupon Your Hon.^{rs} Memoriallists Pray that this Hon.^{ll}
Assembly (who have Allways Shown themselves Ready to
protect the Helplefs, and Relieve the Indians when wronged
and their Lands Encroached on) would appoint a Committee
of Wise Disinterested persons to Hear and Examine into and --
Determine in And respecting the premisfes as to Right apper-
tains, or that this Honourable Assembly would in their Great
Wifdom²⁰⁰ find out Some other Way for the Redresing the Memorial.^{sts}
Greibances

[verso:

Greibances abovementioned that the Encroachments of the
S.^d. English may be removed and the Rights and propertys

of y^e poor memoriallifts may not be Sacrificed to the
 Satisfy y^e Avaricious Humours of Designing men
 And y^e memoriallifts as In Duty Bound Shall Ever –
 pray &c 171b
 Dated At Farmington Jonathan Indians in
 this 8th day of Aprill } Nepash } behalf of their
 1738 ————— John Tanon Tribe –

To Either of y^e Constables of Farmington in y^e
 County of Hartford: ————— Greeting—————
 In his Majesty^s Name you are Commanded [^]to Summon Cap^t
 William Wadsworth ~~The^s Wadsworth~~ Giles Hooker W^m Hooker
 John Hart Hez. Lee Benj.ⁿ Porter W^m Judd ^{Samuel Lee} Joseph Root Sam^l
 Scott Josiah Hart Jonath Smith Isaac Cows & Ebenez.^f Moodey
 all of S^d Farmington to appear before the Generall Afsembly to
 be Convened at Hartford in y^e County of Hartford, on y^e Second
 Thursday of May Instant Viz that they appear before S^d Afsem
 bly on y^e first Tuesday after the Second Thursday aforsd. to –
 Answer to the aforegoing Memorial of John Tanon & the reft
 of y^e memoriallifts theirin mentiond & to Shew if they can why
 the prayers thereof Should not be granted, & you are to leave
 a True And Attested Coppy of y^e S^d Memorial with the S^d –
 Will. Wadsworth, at Least Six dayes before y^e S^d Tuesday –
 Hereof fail not & Make due Return of y^e s^d Memoriall &
 this Citation & according to Law, Dated At Farmington
 this 10th. Day of may In ye Eleventh year of his Majesties Reign—
 ————— Anno que Domini—1738

————— Signd p^r John Hooker Justis Pe
 Farmington May 10th 1738 then y^e fourgoing Memoreall and
 Citation was Read in y^e hearing of Cap^t William Wadsworth
 Giles Hooker W^m Hooker Benjamin porter William
 Judd Samuell Lee Samuell Scoot Cap^t Jodiah
 Hart ^{Decon John Hart Hezekiah Lee} Jonathan Smith Cap^t Isaac Cowles and Ebenzer
 Moody y^e persons named in y^e foregoing Memoriall and
 Citation and I Left a true & an attested Copy of
 y^e Said Memoriall ~~with~~ with y^e Said Cap^t William
 Wadsworth pr Me Joseph Hooker Constable of farmington.

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Memorial of y^e Farming
 ton Tribe of Indians
 Vs
 Cap. Wadsworth &c –
 May 1738
 24 p.m
 read
 N.U:H 25 a.m
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