

**Enrolment Officer's Reply Submission in response to Responding  
Submissions by Interested Parties:**

**Reply Report to Responding Submissions  
Regarding Ancestor  
Sophie Emelie Jammes dite Carriere  
(RIN #11566)  
Dated April 11, 2023**



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## 1. Introduction

The Tribunal received responding submissions from two parties in support of removing the ancestor Sophie Emilie Jamme dite Carriere (RIN #11566) from the Schedule of Algonquin Ancestors. The submissions are posted on the Tribunal's website as:

<https://www.tanakiwin.com/tribunal/sophie-emelie-jamme-dite-carriere/>

They appear on the website as:

- Document 5 – Submission by Chief Wendy Jocko on behalf of her community. It was dated March 7, 2023.
- Document 6 – Responding Submission by Chief G. Sarazin on behalf of his community. It was dated March 24, 2023.

The submissions are responding to the Enrolment Officer's Report and responding reports which appear on the Tribunal website as:

- Document 1 – Enrolment Officer's Report Regarding Sophie Emilie Jammes dite Carriere. It was dated December 2022; and
- Responding submissions that appear on the website as Documents 2, 3, and 4.

This reply report addresses the content in the Respondents' submissions that are relevant to the Tribunal's inquiry, which is to determine whether Sophie Emilie Jammes dite Carriere (RIN #11566) is identified in a historic record or document dated on or before December 31, 1921, in such a way that it would be reasonable to conclude that she was considered to be an Algonquin or Nipissing, or a sibling of such a person. A "sibling of such a person" means a person with a common Algonquin parent.

The Respondents' submissions refer to some documents and facts that are contained in the Enrolment Officer's Report (posted as Document 1). As noted in the Enrolment Officer's Report, archival documents recording a family's life events have been assigned ALG document numbers; RIN numbers have been assigned to individuals discussed in the report to aid in identification. RIN numbers, ALG document numbers, and/or page numbers of existing reports will be referenced in this report for ease of discussion.

## 2. Document #5 – Responding Submission by Chief Wendy Jocko on behalf of her community

The Respondent Chief Wendy Jocko submitted a responding submission on behalf of the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan in support of removing ancestor Sophie Emilie Jamme dite Carrière (RIN #11566) from the Schedule of Ancestors.

The Respondent indicated that she agreed with the Enrolment Officer's research findings about Sophie Emilie Jamme dite Carrière; which are described as follows:

- Sophie was baptized on June 2, 1807 at St. Eustache, now a suburb west of Montréal.

- Her parents were recorded as Michel Carrière and Geneviève Falmard of St. Eustache Parish.
- They are easily traceable through reliable genealogical databases. They and their forebears were French-Canadian.
- Sophie and her husband Thomas Lagarde moved to Litchfield Township, Pontiac County, by 1844.
- None of the documents associated with Carrière's life make any reference to Algonquins or Indigenous peoples.

The Respondent submits that the Enrolment Officer's report (posted as Document 1) indicates that Carrière was a French-Canadian woman. The Respondent submits that Sophie Emilie Jamme dite Carriere is not an Algonquin Ancestor according to Article 1 of the Special Resolution of January 22, 2020.

The Enrolment Officer notes that her initial report (posted as Document 1) did not draw conclusions as to ethnic identity of Sophie Emilie Carrière. The known details regarding Sophie Emilie Carrière and her documented ancestors were laid out for the consideration of the Tribunal.

What conclusions, if any, that may be drawn from the Enrolment Officer's Report or other evidence that is available to the Tribunal, are for the Tribunal to determine.

The Enrolment Officer has no further reply comments.

### **3. Document #6 – Responding Submission by Chief G. Sarazin on behalf of his community**

The Respondent Chief Greg Sarazin submitted a responding submission on behalf of the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan in support of removing ancestor Sophie Emilie Jamme dite Carrière (RIN #11566) from the Schedule of Ancestors.

The submission was in response to submissions (posted as Documents 2 to 4) which argued in favour of retaining Sophie Emilie Jamme dite Carrière on the Schedule of Algonquin Ancestors. The respondent's comments are organized under the following headings.

#### ***3.1 Photographic Evidence***

The Respondent concludes that the submissions photographs does not prove indigeneity or indigenous identity.

The Enrolment Officer has no further reply comments on this subject.

#### ***3.2 Lateral Relations and Genealogical Connections***

The Respondent states that no further historical documentation was presented in order to support the claim of Sophie Jammes dite Carrière as being Algonquin, rather that lateral ties to

the Carrière family were cited to show links between parallel lines of Carrière ancestors and Algonquin families but did not demonstrate direct lineal descent from Algonquins for the subject ancestor.

The Enrolment Officer's responding report (posted as Document #8) addresses and discusses the lineal lines of genealogy of Sophie Jammes dite Carrière. The Enrolment Officer has no further reply comments on this subject.

### ***3.3 Family Lore Versus Oral History***

The Respondent analyses the submissions made in favour of keeping Sophie Jammes dite Carriere on the list of Algonquin Ancestors and discusses the use of family lore by the respondents (submissions posted as Documents 2 to 4). The Respondent concludes that the submissions confuse family lore with Indigenous oral history and stated that an ancestor's friendship with an Algonquin person does not mean that they themselves were Algonquin.

The Enrolment Officer's responding report (posted as Document 8) addresses the use of oral history and has no further reply comments on this subject.

### ***3.4 Misreading of Evidence or Documentation***

The Respondent analyses the submissions made in favour of keeping Sophie Jammes dite Carriere on the list of Algonquin Ancestors and discusses the misreading of evidence or documentation. The Respondent addresses inconsistencies in the interpretation of the evidence/documentation by the previous submissions.

The Enrolment Officer's responding report (posted as Document 8) addresses these issues and has no further reply comments on this subject.

The Respondent states that their continued position is that Sophie Jammes dite Carriere is not an Algonquin Ancestor according to Article 1 of the Special Resolution of January 22, 2020.

The Enrolment Officer has no further reply comments on this subject.

What conclusions, if any, that may be drawn from the Enrolment Officer's Report or other evidence that is available to the Tribunal, are for the Tribunal to determine.