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# Enrolment Officer's Report Angelique Atkinson (RIN #8709)

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#### The Enrolment Officer's Task

To assist Tribunal in determining whether it would be reasonable to conclude that Angelique Atkinson is properly considered an "Algonquin Ancestor"

- Conduct research on the ancestor
- Present findings of research
- Provide historical and genealogical context to research findings

## **Algonquin Ancestor**

"Algonquin Ancestor" means

- > a person who was born on or before July 15, 1897
- identified in an historic record or document dated on or before December 31, 1921
- in such a way that it would be reasonable to conclude that the person was considered to be an Algonquin or Nipissing, or a sibling of such a person
- ➤ In this definition, a sibling of a person is a person with a common Algonquin parent

## **Organization of Report**

- Narrative outlining the written evidence
- > Four Appendices:
  - 3 genealogical charts: descendants her great grandfather, George Moore Jr.; descendants of her mother, Loysa; descendants of Angelique Atkinson
  - Angelique Atkinson's timeline
  - List of documents with source information
  - Images of documents with source information
- Posted on Website as Document 1

## **Responding and Reply Reports**

Tribunal received 1 submission from an interested part Posted on website as Document 2

Enrolment Officer's reply posted as Document 3

## **Added to Preliminary List of Algonquin Ancestors**

Angelique Atkinson added by board decision in 1995

Angelique's spouse Francis Jocko and Angelique's sisters Charlotte Jane and Florence also added

Angelique protested in 2011; protest dismissed

#### **Sources of Information**

- Various baptism, marriage and death/burial records for Angelique Atkinson, her mother Loysa, maternal grandmother Sarah Moore, aunts, sisters, spouse and children
- Census records for Angelique Atkinson, her spouse Francis Jocko, and their children, 1901-1921
- Census records for: Angelique's mother 1881- 1921; her maternal aunts Elizabeth and Jane 1871-1891; maternal grandmother Sarah Moore 1881-1891
- HBC biographical records for ancestors George Moore Jr. and Sr.
- Maps and secondary sources regarding Fort Temiskaming and Moose Factory

#### **Name Variations**

- Angelique's surname was also noted as Arkinson, Harkinson or Arkenson; her first name as Angénique
- Her married name was Angelique Jocko
- Her mother Loysa Atkinson was also known as Eliza or Elizabeth

## **Angelique Atkinson Family Chronology**

#### **Moose Factory**

- ☐ Maternal great great grandfather George Moore Sr (probable, not documented) born Moose Factory c.1774; HBC canoe builder 1794 to 1836 in Moose District, inland 1794-1803
- Maternal great grandfather George Moore Jr. born in Moose District c.1796; joined HBC in 1812; served mostly in Moose District; George married Emma (surname unknown); daughter Sarah Moore born c.1818 at Moose Factory
- ☐ Maternal grandmother Sarah Moore married Samuel Atkinson at Moose Factory in 1844; daughters Elizabeth (c.1846), Loysa (1856), Jane (c.1857); Loysa from Moose Factory

## Angelique Atkinson Family Chronology, cont.

#### **Fort William and Mattawa**

- ☐ Grandmother Sarah Moore, mother Loysa, aunts Jane and Elizabeth, sisters Florence and Charlotte migrate to Fort William by 1868
- ☐ Grandfather Samuel Atkinson likely deceased at time of move; certainly by 1871
- ☐ Angelique born and baptized at Mattawa 1889; lives there with her children until her death in 1986.

## **Angelique Atkinson**

- ☐ Born and baptized at Mattawa in 1889
  - Her mother was listed as Loysa Atkinson, an unmarried woman
  - No father was named
  - Witnesses Jakot Takonens and his wife Angelique Leclerc daughter of Benjamin Leclerc dit Meiyawassang, on the Schedule of Ancestors
- ☐ Angelique married Francis Jocko (1886-1949) at Mattawa in 1909
  - His father and maternal grandfather are on the Schedule of Algonquins
  - Angelique and Frank's eight children were born at Mattawa, 1908-1926
- ☐ She died and was buried at Mattawa in 1986

## **Angelique Atkinson's Mother**

- Loysa Anna or Eliza Atkinson (c. 1856-1932)
  - baptized at Mattawa in 1872 at age 17 "a Moose Factory squaw"
  - daughter of deceased Samuel and Sara
  - baptism witnessed by her brother-in-law Benjamin McKenzie (1848 bap. at Temiskaming at age 18, son of Benjamin McKenzie and 8ajigekijigokwe) and Anna McDonald
- ☐ Loysa died and was buried at Mattawa in 1932
  - noted as born in Ontario
  - Daughter of "Geo" Atkinson and Sarah Moore, both born in Ontario

## **Angelique Atkinson's Maternal Grandparents**

- ☐ Grandfather: "Geo" or Samuel Atkinson
  - Married Sarah Moore in August 1844, officiated by Chief Factor at Moose Factory
- Grandmother: Sarah Ann Moore
  - Daughter of George Moore Jr. and Emma Moore (maiden name unknown)
  - Born about 1818; baptized at Fort William in 1868 at age 50
- Great Grandfather: George Moore Jr.
  - Born in 1796 in the Moose District, worked for HBC from 1812
  - Served at Kenogumissee, Wowcaskash, Moose Factory; then Albany (1843-1851)
  - Likely son of George Moore Sr, born at Moose Factory c. 1774, entered service 1794 mostly as canoe builder in Moose district

## **Angelique Atkinson's Aunt**

- ☐ Elizabeth, sister of Loysa, aunt of Angelique
  - married to Benjamin McKenzie, son of Benjamin McKenzie (Sr.) and 8ajigekijigokwe, at Fort William 1868
  - Elizabeth, her mother Sarah Moore, and Elizabeth and Benjamin's son baptized at Fort William 1868
  - Family moved to Temiskaming Reserve around 1891

## **Angelique Atkinson's Sisters**

- ☐ Florence and Charlotte Jane, sisters of Angelique
  - Charlotte Jane baptized 1878 at Mattawa; no baptismal found for Florence
  - 1881 census listed Charlotte with mother Loysa Eliza and grandmother Sarah, Indian, in large Algonquin community at Fort William
  - 1891 census listed Charlotte and Florence as a "lodgers" with their mother Loysa Eliza and grandmother Sarah in Mattawa
  - 1901 census Florence and Charlotte listed as daughters of Loysa Eliza in Mattawa
  - Charlotte Jane married Tanguay in 1898 at Mattawa; Charlotte's father identified as Peter Anderson
  - Witness to events of Ferris-McDonald family in 1898, 1903 & 1905; they witness Atkinson events in 1878, 1898, 1902, 1907. Other Algonquin witnesses in 1898 & 1902 (Leclerc dit Meiyawassang, Tenesko)

## **Ethnic Origins**

- □ 1774 and 1796 births of presumed great grandfather George Moore Sr. and grandfather George Moore Jr. at Moose Factory and in Moose District, respectively suggests Indigenous mothers, likely Cree
- 1872 Angelique baptized in Mattawa, described as "Moose Factory squaw"
- 1881 Fort William census lists Angelique's mother, maternal grandmother, and two siblings as Indian
- □ 1901 Mattawa census lists Angelique in her mother's household with siblings Charlotte, Florence and Alex, brother-in-law and young nieces and nephews. Mother is **Algonquin Scotch Breed**, no origin for her children. All are "R" for Indigenous, except brother-in-law and his children
- 1911 Mattawa census listed Angelique, her mother Loysa, and brother as **Scotch**; spouse Frank Jocko and Angelique and Frank's children listed as **Algonquin**
- 1921 Mattawa census listed Angelique, her mother Loysa, spouse Frank Jocko and Angelique and Frank's children as "Algonquin Indian". Known Algonquin families at Mattawa were listed this way in this year.

## **Connections to Algonquin Families**

- Marriage of Angelique Atkinson to Francis Jocko (1909)
- Known Algonquins witnessing Atkinson family baptisms: Sara Mary Moore, 1868 (Lamure and Chicachiwanokwe); Loysa Anna Atkinson, 1872 (McDonald); Jane Atkinson, 1873 (Fils du Grand and Petrin); Charlotte Atkinson, 1878 (Ferris); John Samuel Atkinson, 1880 (Chevalier and Petrin); Alexander, 1886 (McDonald); Angelique, 1889 (Leclerc); Florence Tanguay, 1902 (Ferris & Tenesko); Edna Jocko, 1913, (Green & Leclerc); Mary Aleta Jocko, 1921 (Pierre & Green); Beatrice Jocko, 1929 (Nelson son of Antoine). Burial of Mary Sara Moore Arkinson witnessed in 1896 by Walter Ferris and Andrew Landon (descendant of P.L. Constant Pinesi). Ferris men witnessed 1898 marriage of Charlotte Arkinson and 1907 marriage of Florence Atkinson.
- Atkinson family members witnessing known Algonquin baptisms: son of Mary Petrin, 1875; son of Angelique Pisindawatc, 1883 (co-witness Leclerc); and son of Leclerc-Ferris, 1898. The 1903 marriage of Maria Ferris and 1905 marriage of John Ferris to Angelique Dufond witnessed by Florence Atkinson.
- Residence in Algonquin communities at Fort William (1881) and Mattawa (1891, 1901, 1911, 1921)

## **Temiskaming**

- ➤ Temiskaming/ Temiscamingue historic fur trade post established mid-17<sup>th</sup> century. Taken over by HBC at time of merger in 1821.
- ➤ By 1836 Sulpician priests visiting and encouraging settlement around the post on the east side of the lake, now Quebec
- > Algonquins petitioned for a reserve at Lake Temiskaming in 1849; reserve was set aside in 1851
- > Oblates took over religious services in 1863, moved the mission to the west side (Ontario).
- ➤ Known Algonquin/Nipissing families had services conducted at both Temiskaming and Lake of Two Mountains mission

## **Moose Factory**

- Moose Factory was a major HBC post on James Bay; headquarters of Moose District
- > Rupert's Land to 1870; then became North West Territories
- > The area around Hudson and James Bay was considered Cree territory
- Further inland up the Moose River system the people were Ojibwa by the late 1700s

# **Issues / Anomalies**

- George Moore Sr b. 1774 and George Moore Jr b. 1796 in Moose District; dates and places suggest Indigenous mother, likely Cree
- Maternal grandmother Sarah Moore born c. 1818 at Moose Factory; marries at Moose Factory in 1844
- Mother Loysa born July 1856; described as "Moose Factory squaw" at 1872 baptism in Mattawa
- Listed on census records as Indian (1881), mother Algonquin Scotch Breed; whole family "R" –
  Indigenous (1901); Scotch (1911), Algonquin Indian (1921)
- Numerous documented relationships between Angelique, her grandmother, mother, aunts and siblings with other Algonquins in Fort William and Mattawa, 1868-1929
- Angelique marries Francis Jocko, descendant of Ignace Jean Baptiste Kijikomanito, Jacques Kamiskwabinninch, Joseph Pekakasiketch, Mathias Cabakkawtc