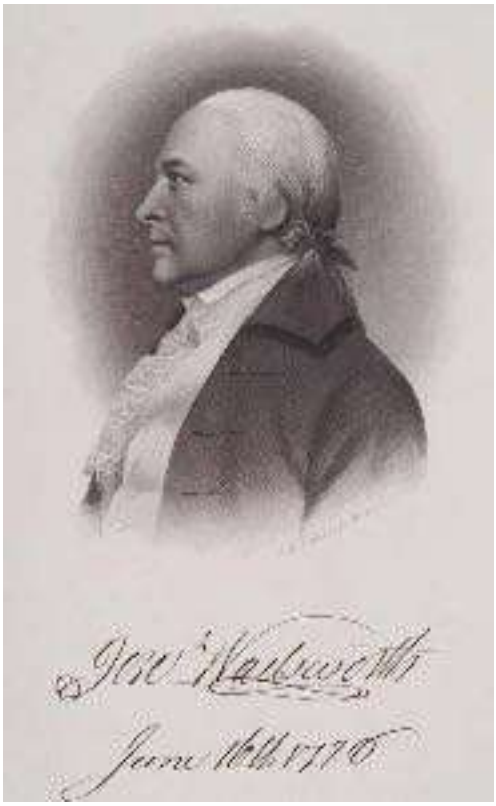

The Colonel Jeremiah Wadsworth Branch, # 7,
of the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

Annual Report 2026

To the Office of CTSSAR State President and Board of Manager:

This Annual Report of the Wadsworth Branch #7 covers the period of May 2025 to April 2026

- Current Branch Officers serving from May 2025 to May 2027

  President – Richard Kendall
  Vice President – Steven Chapman
  Treasurer – Robert Carrara
  Secretary – Justin Ackerman

- Minutes from May 3, 2025, Annual Meeting are attached.

- A copy of our 990N for calendar year 2025 is attached.

- Branch Net Worth as of December 31, 2025, was $7,709.60.

- Authorized signers on all accounts are Richard Kendall & Robert Carrara

- Our branch By-Laws are attached.

- List of Medals & Awards

  Steven Chapman, January 17, 2026, Grave Marking Medal

- List of upcoming branch meetings and events

  May 9, 2026 – Annual Business meeting of Wadsworth Branch – Simsbury History Society – Followed by tour of historic buildings

  May 17, 2026 – Grave Marking Ceremony and Honor Roll Reading, West Avon Cemetery, join event with Avon Historical Society & VFW

  May 25, 2026 – Liberty Tree Planting on Avon Green and Memorial Day Parade

  July 11, 2026 – Independence Day Parade in Simsbury, CT

  October 10, 2026 – Fall Meeting at Stanley Whitman House, Farmington, CT

  November 7, 2026 – Grave Marking Ceremony with Plaque Presentation, Memento-Mori Cemetery, Farmington, CT

Patriotically,

Richard Kendall
President
Col Jeremiah Wadsworth Branch #7





Colonel Jeremiah Wadsworth Branch Nº 7
CTSSAR, Chartered *Die XVIIº menfis Januarii A.D. MCMXº*
Minutes for a Branch Meeting, holden at Wethersfield, Connecticut
May 3, 2025

1) Called to order 11.30 o'clock *AM.*

2) Invocation & pledges.

3) Roll Call:
   Damien Cregeau, President
   Rich Kendall, Vice President
   Justin Ankerman, Secretary
   Lee Tryon, Treasurer
   Don Wills
   James Whittemore
   Steve Chapman

4) Unanimous Vote (7 votes for, none against.) of those members present to suspend, under Art. XIII Amend. to By-Laws § II, the following by-laws, to wit:

   i. Requirement for a quorum of ten to conduct elections and other business.
   ii. Requirement to hold Annual Meeting in April each year.
   iii. Requirement to hold elections in even-numbered years for two-year terms.

5) President's Report: President Cregeau
   135th National Congress 2025 Meeting to be at Earth Tower, Mohegan Sun
   Mohegans helped build the frigate *U.S.S. Confœderacy* for the Revolution
   2025 Begins Semi quincentenary of the Revolutionary War – discussion of Semi quincentennial events to come.

Sal Tarantino, longtime re-enactor, died.
Potential Grave Marking Ceremonies:

i. Sgt. Hermann Baker grave marker at Pratt. Mr. Wills to contact Pratt & Whitney veterans association to coordinate. Treasurer Tryon has the bronze grave marker in his possession.
ii. Twenty Patriot Graves in *Memento Mori* cemetery, Farmington, Conn.
iii. Three Huntington Generals (same family).
iv. Colonel John Durkee
v. Samuel Huntington, Signer of the Declaration of Independence, Delegate & President of the Continental Congress, and Governor of Connecticut
vi. French Sailors
vii. Sergeant _____

Invitation to hold potential Branch meeting at Brig. Gen. Jedediah Huntington Houfe, Norwich, Conn., near the birthplace of Benedict Arnold.

6) Secretary's Report: Secretary Ankerman
Motion by Mr. Wills to approve the Minutes of the previous meeting;
Seconded: Mr. Kendall.
Approved Minutes of *August 24, 2024*

7) Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Tryon
Dues: $ 672; Sale of Rosettes: $ 50; Gross Revenue: $ 722; Expenses: $ 1,000 donation to the 2025 Congress; $ 6 luncheon; Gross Expense: $ 1,006; Net Deficit: ($ 284.00)
Account Balance: $ 8,041.33
Need to transfer signing authority for T.D. Bank account to new Treasurer.
Motion to accept Treasurer's report: Mr Kendall; Seconded: Mr Whittemore.

8) Presentation of Rosette to Mr Wills.

9) Presentation of Roger Sherman Medals & Certificates:

i. Silver Medal to President Cregeau
ii. Bronze Medal to President Cregeau
iii. Bronze Medal to Treasurer Tryon

10) Election – Slate of Candidates:
President: Richard Kendall
Vice President: Steve Chapman

Secretary:	Justin Ankerman
Treasurer:	Robert Carrera
Historian:	Steve Chapman
Registrar:	Open
Chaplain:	Open

Elected as one slate, by seven votes unanimous for, none against.

11) Luncheon and Presentation on British & Nepalese Military Antiques from the Royal Armory of Nepal by Mr Chapman

12) Adjourned at 2.30 o'clock PM

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A For the **2025** Calendar year, or tax year beginning **2025-01-01** and ending **2025-12-31**

B Check if available

- [ ] **Terminated for Business**
- [x] **Gross receipts are normally $50,000 or less**

C Name of Organization: **NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

962 South Main Street A21,
PLANTSVILLE, CT, US,
06479

D Employee Identification Number **22-2842228**

E Website:
https://www.sarconnecticut.org

F Name of Principal Officer: **Lee Allan Tryon**

4 Raven Circle, Avon, CT,
US, 06001

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BYLAWS

of the

Colonel Jeremiah Wadsworth

Branch

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Connecticut Society

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SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Organized January 17, 1910

Hartford, Connecticut

1994

BYLAWS

PREAMBLE

We, the subscribers, descendants of Revolutionary soldiers and patriots, members of the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, for the purpose of promoting in Hartford County and vicinity the objects of said Society as set forth in Article III of its Constitution, do ordain and establish the following bylaws for the governance of the Branch.

ARTICLE I - NAME

This organization shall be known as the Colonel Jeremiah Wadsworth Branch, Number 7, Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP

Any member of the Connecticut State Society shall be eligible for membership in this Branch.

ARTICLE III - ANNUAL MEETING

Section I. The ANNUAL MEETING for the election of officers and for transaction of any other business properly coming before it, shall be held in APRIL each year; the date, hour and place to be designated by the Executive Board.

SPECIAL MEETINGS

Section II. SPECIAL MEETINGS shall be called by the President when directed by the Executive Board or upon the written petition of ten members.

QUORUM

Section III. Ten members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Section IV. At least two weeks written notice of all meetings shall be given to the members.

ARTICLE IV - ADMISSION FEE

Section I. The ADMISSION FEE for membership in this Branch shall be determined by the Executive Board and shall cover dues to the next annual meeting.

DUES

Section II. The regular annual DUES shall be determined by the Executive Board, and shall be payable at the time of the Annual Meeting each year.

ARREARS

Section III. Members three months or more in ARREARS for dues may be dropped from the roll by the Executive Board, and may be reinstated in their membership by said Board upon the payment of their indebtedness to the Branch.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

Section I. The OFFICERS of this Branch shall be a PRESIDENT, a VICE-PRESIDENT, a SECRETARY, a TREASURER, a REGISTRAR, a HISTORIAN, a CHAPLAIN, an AUDITOR, and three at-large members of the Executive Board.

TERMS

Section II. All OFFICERS shall be elected in even numbered years and shall serve for terms of two years. They shall continue in office until their successors are elected and qualify.

NOMINATIONS

Section III. A NOMINATION for each office in Section 1, Article V. shall be submitted to the annual meeting by a Nominating Committee of not less than three members appointed by the President prior to the annual meeting. Nothing in this section shall prohibit nominations from the floor.

VACANCIES

Section IV. In the event of a VACANCY in any office or on the Nominating Committee, the Executive Board may appoint a member to the vacant position to serve until the next meeting of the membership. At that time a member may be elected to fill the unexpired term of the vacant office.

ARTICLE VI EXECUTIVE BOARD

There shall be an EXECUTIVE BOARD, consisting of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, Historian, Chaplain, Auditor, three at-large members and any members belonging to the Board of Managers of the State Society. Five members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Board.

ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS' DUTIES

Section I. The DUTIES of the OFFICERS shall correspond with the duties of like officers of the State Society.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

Section II. Meetings of the EXECUTIVE BOARD shall be whenever called by the President or Acting President.

POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section III. The EXECUTIVE BOARD shall have control of the administrative and financial affairs of the Branch. It shall have the power to suspend or expel any member of the Branch for sufficient cause, by a vote of two-thirds of the Board present at any regular or special meeting, provided, that at least two weeks' notice is mailed to him at his last known residence. A member so suspended or expelled shall have the right to appeal to a meeting of the Branch from the action of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VIII - ELECTIONS

Voting questions shall be by voice vote or show of hands at the discretion of the Chair, provided that upon demand of a majority of those members present, voting shall be by written ballot. With respect to candidates for office, in the event that there be one candidate or one slate of candidates presented, the Secretary may be directed by unanimous vote to cast one (1) ballot for the candidate or slate.

ARTICLE IX - APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Any member of the Sons of the American Revolution is eligible for membership in the Branch upon payment of one year's dues and approval of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE X - EXPENDITURE OF MONEY

Proposals for the giving or acceptance of invitations which may involve the EXPENDITURE OF MONEY, shall be acted on by the Executive Board only when made in writing, and shall be acted on at the next meeting of the membership.

ARTICLE XI - STANDING COMMITTEE

Within ten days after the Annual Meeting the President may appoint any committees he deems necessary to carry on the program of this Chapter.

ARTICLE XII - THE SEAL

The SEAL of this Branch shall contain the portrait of Colonel Jeremiah Wadsworth.

ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

Section I. These BY-LAWS shall not be altered, AMENDED or repealed unless such alterations or amendments shall have been proposed in writing at a previous meeting of the Executive Board, entered on the records with the name of the member proposing the change, and adopted by a majority of the members present at the regular meeting of the Branch, or at a special meeting called for that purpose.

Section 11. Any BY-LAW may be suspended for a single meeting only by the unanimous vote of the members present.

ARTICLE XIV - ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER

ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER shall govern all meetings of the Branch Executive Board unless the Constitution or by-laws of the Branch state to the contrary.