

October 23, 1997

Mrs. Joan Hodgkinson Orton
37 Golden Hind Drive
Hilton Head Island, SC 29926-1871

Dear Mrs. Orton,

Please allow me the pleasure of introducing myself to you. My name is Philip Robert Livingston, Jr. and I'm a cousin to our mutual dear friend, the Rev. Dr. Robert E.H. Peeples. The Rev. Robert and his lovely wife Miss Cora have done so much to introduce and reveal to me my wonderful southern heritage. They've both been so kind and generous to me and my small family. As you are aware, the Rev. Robert has introduced me to the "Hereditary Order of Descendants of Colonial Governors" and through my lineal descendency to 1693-4 South Carolina Governor Landgrave Thomas Smith, has endorsed me for membership there in. I'd like to request of you, to do me the honor of seconding my nomination for membership. To that end, I've provided some background information about myself and my family to assist you.

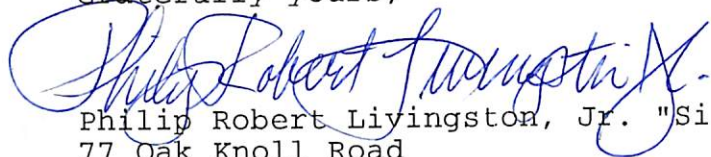
My wife Sara and I met in college and married in 1969. She's most recently from Colorado Springs, CO and loves to visit there often, where she still has family. I'm 50 years old, born and raised in northern New Jersey, and the only child of the late LTC Philip Robert Livingston and Marguerite Emery Livingston (currently living in Myrtle Beach, SC). I am the proud father of two great children, my daughter Emery Rile Livingston, who graduated with honors from Lafayette College and works in private industry; and my son Philip Robert Livingston, III, who's a junior at Duke University and currently studying abroad at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland for the academic year.

We live in Glen Rock, New Jersey (northeast corner of NJ) and enjoy the outdoors a great deal. We hope to travel more in the future, now that the kids are almost out of the house. I'm a graduate of Westminster College (B.A. 1969) and Fairleigh Dickinson University (M.B.A. 1978) and my lovely bride is a graduate of Katherine Gibbs (A.A. 1970). I'm an analyst with the IBM Corporation (28 years) and my wife is a part time oral surgeon's assistant and bible study enthusiast. I'm an amateur genealogist, philatelist (duck stamps), golf enthusiast, and high school sport official.

Hopefully this provides you with a little bit more information about me. I'd cherish the opportunity to be elected to membership in the "Hereditary Order of Descendants of Colonial Governors" and it's my hope that you'll sign my enclosed application and return the same to the Rev. Robert for forwarding back to me. I'd be very appreciative and thankful.

If for any reason you require additional information about me or my character, please do not hesitate to ask, and I'll forward on to you promptly. I hope this presents no problem for you. Thank you so much for your consideration.

Gratefully yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Philip Robert Livingston, Jr." The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "P".

Philip Robert Livingston, Jr. "Si je puis..."
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