Table Annexed to Article: Delegate Credentialing at the Continental Congress Sampled at the Opening of Congress on November 3, 1783

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On November 3, 1783 the following delegates attended and presented their credentials.

Abiel Foster, New Hampshire, presented credentials dated February 18, 1783 and read in Congress July 29, 1783. [Book of Credentials, p. 83]

Elbridge Gerry, Massachusetts, was elected by the delegates of his state on June 27, 1783 presented a certificate dated October 23, 1783.

Samuel Osgood, also from Massachusetts, presented a letter dated July 9, 1783, stating he had been elected on that date.

Two delegates from Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, William Ellery and David Howell, presented credentials read in Congress June 30, 1783. [Book of Credentials, p. 76]

Samuel Huntington and Benjamin Huntington, were elected by the delegates of their state on the second Thursday of May, 1783.

Five others – Oliver Ellsworth, Oliver Wolcott, Jedediah Strong, Stephen Mix Mitchell and Richard Law – were also elected by Connecticut on that date, but they did not appear on this date.

James Duane, New York, presented credentials read on November 25, 1782. [Book of Credentials, p. 48]

Elias Boudinot of New Jersey, presented credentials read on November 5, 1782. [Book of Credentials, p. 46]

Daniel Carroll of Maryland, presented credentials read on March 10, 1783. [Book of Credentials, p. 67]

James McHenry, also of Maryland, presented credentials read on June 11, 1783. [Book of Credentials, p. 71]

John Francis Mercer and Arthur Lee of Virginia were elected June 6, 1783.

Three others – Thomas Jefferson, Samuel Hardy and James Monroe – were also elected by the State of Virginia on June 6, 1783, but did not appear on this date.
Benjamin Hawkins and Hugh Williamson of North Carolina, presented credentials read in Congress on May 14, 1783. [Book of Credentials, p. 68]

Jacob Read of South Carolina, presented credentials read on June 17, 1783. [Book of Credentials, p. 72]

Richard Beresford, also of South Carolina, presented credentials read on May 30, 1783. [Book of Credentials p. 70]