**Name:** John CHARLTON  

**Personal Details:**  
Born in London in 1753.

**Position On-Board:** Servant to Captain Cook

**Biographical Summary:**  
From April 1764 to 1768, he was a servant to James Cook, as Master of the *Grenville*.

He suddenly appears in the muster roll of the *Endeavour* whilst the ship is off the east coast of Australia. He is entered as Cook’s servant, after the previous person in that role had become an AB seaman.

Charlton’s naval career after *Endeavour* is not known, but there is a will for a John Charleton who died in 1783 (Reference PROB 11/1109). He was a midshipman on board *HMS Argo*. He left everything to his brother Lt. Edward Charlton of the Northumberland Regiment of Militia.

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