



Marie Landry Spy Shop

## Public Declaration of Historical Indictment

Posthumous Indictment of British General Robert Monckton (1726–1782) for  
Colonial Crimes and Genocide

Marie Landry Spy Shop recognizes the necessity of confronting hidden truths and exposing historical crimes. Today, we issue a formal public indictment of British General Robert Monckton, whose legacy continues to stain the lands of the Wabanaki Confederacy, Acadia, and beyond.

## Charges

### Genocide Against the Acadians (1755–1762)

Monckton oversaw and implemented the mass deportation of the Acadian people during the Grand Dérangement. Families were forcibly separated, homes destroyed, and communities scattered across continents. These actions meet the modern definition of genocide: the intent to erase a people's culture, identity, and survival.

### Crimes Against Humanity – Forced Displacement and Cultural Erasure

Villages were burned, livelihoods obliterated, and religious/cultural institutions targeted in a campaign of terror. This systemic destruction was not warfare against soldiers—it was aimed at civilians.

### War Crimes Against Indigenous Nations

Monckton's campaigns against the Mi'kmaq and allied Indigenous peoples violated treaties, displaced communities, and enabled British settlement on stolen lands. This aggression set a precedent for centuries of dispossession and colonial violence.

## Verdict

Robert Monckton is hereby declared a colonial war criminal and perpetrator of genocide, guilty in the Court of Public Memory. His name shall not be honored on our lands. The city of Moncton, New Brunswick, built upon these crimes, is a direct glorification of his legacy.

## Sentence (Symbolic but Binding in Memory)

- Revocation of Robert Monckton's status as a “founding figure” in Canadian colonial history.
- Permanent entry into the Register of Colonial Criminals maintained by Marie Landry Spy Shop.
- Public recommendation that governments, institutions, and citizens move to rename places, monuments, and honors associated with Monckton.
- Recognition of the enduring harm inflicted upon Acadian and Indigenous peoples, with a demand for formal apologies, reparations, and memorials.

## Why This Matters

We do not erase history—we expose it. Posthumous indictment is a tool of restorative truth: a public confrontation with the past to dismantle colonial mythologies and to build a just, decolonized future.

Marie Landry Spy Shop calls upon communities across Codiak, Mi'kma'ki, and beyond to stand with us in rejecting the glorification of genocide and colonialism. Justice delayed is not justice.

denied—memory itself is a battlefield, and we will not surrender it to empire.

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Truth is our weapon. Justice is our shield.