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**The Woodbridge N.J. Colonial Straight Line Handstamp:
Where is It?**

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Collectors of postal history, and especially those who participate in competitive exhibiting, face the challenge of showing an example of each of the rarities within one's specialty area. As an avid collector and exhibitor of New Jersey stampless mail with handstamped postmarks for the last 40 years, the author has never seen an example of the Woodbridge, N.J. Colonial handstamp which is listed in the most current edition of the *American Stampless Cover Catalog*.

This article outlines the history of the listing of this handstamp to its earliest catalog reference in 1952 and provides detailed footnotes which trace its history in the literature for nearly the last 70 years. In the total absence of its appearance in the philatelic market place the author suggests that the two covers with this marking may be preserved in an archive whose whereabouts are unknown. The author seeks the help of postal history collectors in identifying their location so that their images may be added to the philatelic record.