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June 21, 1948

WAKAYAMA-Ken,
Honshu, Japan

Dear Mr. Wayne M. Collins;

I wish to join in the suite to restore my citizenship of U.S. Following information is true to best of my knowledge.

1. My full name - Mitsuo FURUKAWA ACTIVE LIST
2. Present Address - Kirime-Mura, Hidaka-Gun, Wakayama-Ken, Honshu - Japan.
3. Date of Birth - July 31, 1919
4. Place of Birth - Perkins, Sacramento County, Calif.
5. Place of renunciation - Tule Lake W.R.A. Newell, Calif.

Sent in with Shizuye + Naoye Furukawa

6. I did recieved a notice from the Attorney
general approving the renunciations.

Sincerely Yours,
Mitao Furukawa

NAOYE FURUKAWA ACTIVE LIST

SHIZUYE FURUKAWA ACTIVE LIST

June 21, 1948

Wa Kayama-Ken
Honshu, Japan

Dear Mr. Wayne M. Collins;

I wish to join in the ~~suite~~ to restore my citizenship of U.S.. Following information is true to best of my knowledge.

1. My full name - Mitsuo FURUKAWA ACTIVE LIST
2. Present address - Kirime-mura, Hidaka-gun, Wa Kayama-Ken, Japan.
3. Date of Birth - July 30, 1919
4. Place of Birth - Perkins, Sacramento County, California
5. Place of renunciation - Tule Lake W.R.A. Newell, California
6. I did recieved a notice from attorney general approving the renunciation.
7. I also haven't Japanese Citizenship.

Sincerely Yours,

Mitsuo Furukawa

June 21, 1948
Wakayama Ken,
Honshu, Japan

Dear Mr. Wayne M. Collins;

I wish to join in the suite to restore my citizenship of U. S. Following informations are true to best of my knowledge.

1. My full name - Naoye Furukawa
2. Present Address - Kirime Mura, Hidakathen,
Wakayama Ken, Honshu - Japan
3. Date of Birth - October 17, 1922
4. Place of Birth - Perkins, Sacramento County, Calif.
5. Place of renunciation - Jule Lake W.R.D. Newell, Calif.

ACTIVE LIST

6. I did receive a notice from the attorney
general approving the renunciations.

7. I also haven't Japanese Citizenship.

Sincerely yours,

Naoyuki Furukawa

June 21, 1948

Wakayama-Ken,

Honshu, Japan

Dear Mr. Wayne M. Collins,

I wish to join in the suit to restore my citizenship of U. S. Following information are true to best of my knowledge.

1. My full name - Shunji Furukawa

ACTIVE LIST

2. Present Address - Kirime Mura, Hidaka-Gun

Wakayama Ken, Honshu-Japan

3. Date of Birth - May 13, 1921

4. Place of Birth - Perkins, Sacramento County, Calif.

5. Place of renunciation - Lake U.K.A. Newell, Calif.

6. I did received a notice from the attorney
general approving the renunciation's.

7. I also haven't Japanese citizenships.

Sincerely yours,

Ishizuka Furukawa

Mitsuo FURUKAWA
Kirime Yura, Hidaka Gun
Wakayama-Ken, Japan

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mr. Wayne M. Collins
Mills Tower, 220 Bush St.
San Francisco 4, California
U. S. A.

Nov. 8, 1948
Wakayama Ken, Japan

Dear Mr. Collins;

Thank you for the letter you send to me.
I believed you are very busy, but I wish you will
write to me one question I'm going to ask. Could I
take with me, the wife, who is Japanese back
to U.S. when that judgement becomes final?

I'm letting you know that the address of
which I'm going to, when I return to U.S.

Mrs. Molly Iwasaki (my sister)

604 Church Street
Roseville, Calif.

truly yours,

8/25/48
Mitsuo Furukawa

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January 26, 1949

Mr. Mitsuo Furukawa
Kirime Mura, Hidaka Gun
Wakayama-Ken, Japan

Dear Mr. Furukawa:

In reply to your recent letter, please be informed that at the present time there is no method by which your wife, if she is a Japanese alien, can return to the United States.

It is likely that when peace has been formally declared with Japan that Congress may enact laws under which aliens may be admitted to the United States on a quota basis, and in addition thereto, it may provide that alien husbands, wives and children and maybe parents of a U. S. citizen may be permitted to enter the U.S. either for a temporary visit or for permanent residence.

However, until such time as peace has formally been declared and a peace treaty or statute so authorizes, there is no method by which alien Japanese may enter the United States.

Very truly yours,

Mitsuo Furukawa - Japan

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Married to native
Japanese woman

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1. Name <i>Mitsuo Furukawa</i>		Date of Birth <i>July 30, 1919</i>	
2. If born prior to December 1, 1924	(A) Have you ever renounced Japanese nationality? <i>Yes</i>	When	Where <i>San Francisco</i>
3. If born since December 1, 1924	(A) Was your name ever registered with a Japanese Consulate for the purpose of reserving your Japanese nationality?		
If so, did you thereafter renounce your Japanese nationality?	When	Where <i>San Francisco</i>	
4. State periods of visits to Japan and purpose of each visit:			
Date		Purpose	
From <i>1919</i>	To <i>1928</i>	<i>Taken by parent to raised by grand parent</i>	
5. Give details concerning any formal education in Japan:			
School		Period of Attendance	
<i>Minabe Elementary School</i>		From <i>1927</i>	To <i>1928</i>
Specify subjects studied (attach additional sheet if necessary).			
6. Have you ever made application for repatriation to Japan? <i>Yes</i> If so, give date <i>Uncertain</i> , and your reasons for so applying: <i>At Jerome W.R.A. I was forced to join the group of pro-Japanese, by my parent. Reason was parent believed alien be deported to Japan and to prevent family separation I was forced by parent to join the group and group leader told me to make request for repatriation to Japan.</i>			
7. (A) Have you ever expressly indicated that you would not swear unqualified allegiance to the United States?		Have you ever declined to answer when asked whether you would swear unqualified allegiance? <i>Yes</i>	
Or have you ever given a qualified answer to such question asked at War Relocation Centers?.....If so, give your reasons: <i>Pro-Japanese group at Jerome, have forced me to write refuse to answer.</i>			
(B) If your answer to any of the questions in (A) is affirmative, then did you ever subsequently change your mind and express your willingness to swear an unqualified allegiance or would you have been willing to do so if an opportunity had been afforded you?..... <i>Yes</i> If so, state when you changed your mind and your reasons therefor: <i>But pressure of pro-Japanese group prevent me from doing so.</i>			

(B) Give reasons for becoming a member:

(C) State nature of your activity and offices you held:

(D) If you voluntarily discontinued membership in any of the aforementioned organizations, give approximate date and reasons for so doing:

(E) If you claim that your membership in any of the aforementioned organizations, your activities therein, or your acceptance of an office was due to misunderstanding of the purpose or nature of the organization, explain fully:

(F) If you at any time wished to discontinue membership, activity, or office and were prevented from so doing, explain fully:

9. (A) When did you decide to apply for forms upon which to renounce your United States citizenship?
Give reasons for so doing:

After I was send to Tule Lake from Jerome, I have withdraw the membership from pro-Japanese group.
But I was ~~not~~ forced by parent to make application for renunciation, because parent fear that they be send to Japan, because they are enemy alien, and after I discontinued the membership of group, parent figure that by forcing me to renounce my citizen they could take me along to Japan, and to prevent family separation.

(B) If reasons given in answer to preceding question differ from reasons given to officer who held renunciation hearing, give your explanation for difference:

I was forced by parent to give wild, distorted answer to hearing Officer and I also thought that if I'm to go to Japan with parent, if I don't give wild, distorted answer, they would not accept my renunciation.

(C) If you claim that your renunciation was caused by fear, you should explain fully why such fear extended from the time of the application for renunciation papers until the date of actual renunciation:

(D) If the fear did not extend from the date of application to the date of approval by the Attorney General, you should state whether you made any effort to withdraw your application, and if not, explain fully:

After renouncing, I found out that I'm going to be stateless, so I wanted to withdraw my application, but each time I was prevented by parent not to withdraw, because they thought renunciation was only way to take me to Japan.

(E) If, after approval, you requested the Attorney General to withdraw his approval of your renunciation or to cancel your renunciation, give the reasons for the delay in making such request:

I lived in country in Japan and heard from friend in Tokyo, that I could request for cancellation of my renunciation. I ~~had~~ believed I have asked Mr. Collins to request for me.

(F) If there are any other facts which influenced your action in renouncing your United States citizenship, state fully below or on a separate sheet if necessary.

10. (A) If you now are in Japan, give your reasons for having returned to Japan.

My parent forced and begged me to come to Japan with them because I was only 15 and they want to live with me in Japan. I didn't want to come to Japan, but I could not against them.

(B) If you are in Japan, have you since you returned to Japan taken any action to resume or acquire Japanese citizenship? NO

Answer Yes or No

If you have, state nature of action taken and reasons therefor.

11. (A) If you have served or are serving in the military or naval forces of the United States fill in the following:

I enlisted (or was drafted) on 10/10/41 in the U.S. Navy; my Serial number is 100000000;
 I still am in such service NO Answer Yes or No; I was released from active duty on 10/10/45 and received my Discharge on 10/10/45.

(B) If at any time while in a war relocation center or since then you volunteered for military or naval service but your offer of service was rejected state the time when and the place where you volunteered.

(C) State why your offer of such service was rejected, if the reason was made known to you.

(D) If you were rejected for military or naval service by your Local Draft Board since your release from a war relocation center state the reason for the rejection if known to you.

12. If any member of your family has served or is serving in the military or naval forces of the United States state the relationship of such person to you, the name of such person, the branch of service and serial number of such person:

Relationship	Name	Branch of Service	Serial Number

Japan
 Prefecture of Hyogo
 City of Kobe
 American Consulate General

William A. Mitchell
 (Signature in full of applicant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of August, 19 54

Service No. 3788
 No Fee Prescribed

William A. Mitchell
 American Vice Consul

This affidavit may be executed before any person authorized to administer oaths.

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1. Name <i>Mitsuo FURUKAWA</i>		Date of Birth <i>July 1919</i>	
2. If born prior to December 1, 1924	(A) Have you ever renounced Japanese nationality? <i>Yes</i>	When	Where <i>San Francisco</i>
3. If born since December 1, 1924	(A) Was your name ever registered with a Japanese Consulate for the purpose of reserving your Japanese nationality?		
If so, did you thereafter renounce your Japanese nationality?	When	Where	
4. State periods of visits to Japan and purpose of each visit:			
Date		Purpose	
From <i>1919</i>	To <i>1928</i>	<i>Taken by parent to raised by grand parent</i>	
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7. (A) Have you ever expressly indicated that you would not swear unqualified allegiance to the United States?		Have you ever declined to answer when asked whether you would swear unqualified allegiance?	
Or have you ever given a qualified answer to such question asked at War Relocation Centers? <i>Yes</i> If so, give your reasons: <i>Pro-Japanese group at Jerome have forced me to write refusal to answer.</i>			
(B) If your answer to any of the questions in (A) is affirmative, then did you ever subsequently change your mind and express your willingness to swear an unqualified allegiance or would you have been willing to do so if an opportunity had been afforded you? <i>Yes</i> If so, state when you changed your mind and your reasons therefor: <i>But pressure of Pro-Japanese group prevent me from doing so.</i>			

(B) Give reasons for becoming a member:

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(C) State nature of your activity and offices you held:

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Give reasons for so doing:

I have withdrawn the memberships from pro-Japanese groups after I was sent to Tule Lake but I was forced by parent to make application for renunciation because parent fear that they be sent to Japan because they are enemy alien and after I discontinued the membership of group parent figure that by ~~renouncing~~ forcing me to renounce my citizen they could take me along to Japan and to prevent family separation.

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10. (A) If you now are in Japan, give your reasons for having returned to Japan.

My parent forced and begged me to come to Japan with them, because I was only son and they want to live with me in Japan, I didn't want to come to Japan, but I could not against them.

(B) If you are in Japan, have you since you returned to Japan taken any action to resume or acquire Japanese citizenship? No
Answer Yes or No

If you have, state nature of action taken and reasons therefor.

11. (A) If you have served or are serving in the military or naval forces of the United States fill in the following:

I enlisted (or was drafted) on..... in the.....; my Serial number is.....
State the date State the Branch of Service

I still am in such service.....; I was released from active duty on..... and received my Discharge
Answer Yes or No
on.....

(B) If at any time while in a war relocation center or since then you volunteered for military or naval service but your offer of service was rejected state the time when and the place where you volunteered.

(C) State why your offer of such service was rejected, if the reason was made known to you.

(D) If you were rejected for military or naval service by your Local Draft Board since your release from a war relocation center state the reason for the rejection if known to you.

12. If any member of your family has served or is serving in the military or naval forces of the United States state the relationship of such person to you, the name of such person, the branch of service and serial number of such person:

Relationship	Name
Branch of Service	Serial Number

M. T. K. K.
(Signature in full of applicant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this.....day of....., 19.....

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7. (A) Have you ever expressly indicated that you would not swear unqualified allegiance to the United States?		Have you ever declined to answer when asked whether you would swear unqualified allegiance?	
		<i>Yes</i>	
Or have you ever given a qualified answer to such question asked at War Relocation Centers?.....If so, give your reasons:			
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(B) If your answer to any of the questions in (A) is affirmative, then did you ever subsequently change your mind and express your willingness to swear an unqualified allegiance or would you have been willing to do so if an opportunity had been afforded you?.....If so, state when you changed your mind and your reasons therefor: <i>yes</i> <i>But pressure of Pro-Japanese group prevent me from doing so.</i>			

8. (A)

WERE YOU EVER AT ANY TIME A MEMBER OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS:

Black Dragon Society (Kokuryu Kai)			
Central Japanese Association (Beikoku Chuo Nipponjin Kai)			
Central Japanese Association of Southern California			
Dai Nippon Butoku Kai (Military Virtue Society of Japan or Military Art Society of Japan) (Hokubei Kai)			
Heimuska Kai, also known as Hokubei Heieki Gimusha Kai Zaibei Nihonjin, Heiyaku Gimusha Kai, and			
Zaibei Heimusha Kai (Japanese residing in American Military Conscripts Assoc.) Heimusha Kai			
Hinode Kai (Imperial Japanese Reservists)			
Hinomaru Kai (Rising Sun Flag Society—a Group of Japanese War Veterans)			
Hokubei Zaigo Shoko Dan (North American Reserve Officers Association)			
Japanese Association of America (Zaibei Nihonjin Kai)			
Japanese Overseas Central Society (Kaigai Dobo Chuo Kai)			
Japanese Overseas Convention, Tokyo, Japan, 1940			
Japanese Protective Association (Recruiting Organization)			
Jikyoku Iin Kai (Current Affairs Association)			
Kibe Seinen Kai (Association of U. S. Citizens of Japanese Ancestry who have returned to America after studying in Japan)			
Nanka Teikoku Gunyudan (Imperial Military Friends Group or Southern California War Veterans)			
Nichibei Kogyo Kaisha (The Great Fujii Theatre)			
Northwest Japanese Association			
Sakura Kai (Patriotic Society or Cherry Association—composed of Veterans of Russo-Japanese War) (Cherry Blossom Society)			
Shinto Temples			
Sokoku Kai (Fatherland Society)			
Suiko Sha (Reserve Officers Association Los Angeles)			
Hokoku Seinen-Dan			
Hokoku Joshi Seinen-Dan			
Sokoku Kenkyu Seinen-Dan			
Sokuji Kikoku Hoshi-Dan			

(B) Give reasons for becoming a member:

At 20 years of age, I was forced to join the pro-Japanese group, by my parent. My parent was parent behind, also he deported to Japan and to prevent family separation, I was forced by parent to join the group, and group leader told me to make request for repatriation to Japan.

(C) State nature of your activity and offices you held:

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Answer Yes or No

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I enlisted (or was drafted) on..... in the.....; my Serial number is.....
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Answer Yes or No
on.....

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<i>Dec. 1945</i>	<i>PRESENT</i>		
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Or have you ever given a qualified answer to such question asked at War Relocation Centers?.....If so, give your reasons: <i>Pro-Japanese group at Jerome have forced me to write refuse to answer.</i>			
(B) If your answer to any of the questions in (A) is affirmative, then did you ever subsequently change your mind and express your willingness to swear an unqualified allegiance or would you have been willing to do so if an opportunity had been afforded you?..... <i>yes</i> If so, state when you changed your mind and your reasons therefor: <i>But pressure of Pro-Japanese group prevent me from doing so.</i>			

WERE YOU EVER AT ANY TIME A MEMBER OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS:

(B) Give reasons for becoming a member:

(C) State nature of your activity and offices you held:

(D) If you voluntarily discontinued membership in any of the aforementioned organizations, give approximate date and reasons for so doing:

(E) If you claim that your membership in any of the aforementioned organizations, your activities therein, or your acceptance of an office was due to misunderstanding of the purpose or nature of the organization, explain fully:

(F) If you at any time wished to discontinue membership, activity, or office and were prevented from so doing, explain fully:

9. (A) When did you decide to apply for forms upon which to renounce your United States citizenship?
Give reasons for so doing:

I have withdrawn the membership from pro-Japanese group after I was send to Tule Lake but I was forced by parent to make application for renunciation, because parent fear that they be send to Japan, because they are enemy alien and after I discontinued the membership of group, parent figure that by ~~discontinuing~~ forcing me to renounce my citizen, they could take me along to Japan and to prevent family separation.

(B) If reasons given in answer to preceding question differ from reasons given to officer who held renunciation hearing, give your explanation for difference:

I was forced by parent to give wild, distorted answer to hearing officer, and I also thought that if I'm to go to Japan with parent, if I don't give wild, distorted answer, they would not accept my renunciation.

(C) If you claim that your renunciation was caused by fear, you should explain fully why such fear extended from the time of the application for renunciation papers until the date of actual renunciation:

(D) If the fear did not extend from the date of application to the date of approval by the Attorney General, you should state whether you made any effort to withdraw your application, and if not, explain fully:

After renouncing, I found out that I'm going to be stateless, so I wanted to withdraw my application, but each time I was prevented by parent not to withdraw, because they thought renunciation was only way to take me to Japan.

(E) If, after approval, you requested the Attorney General to withdraw his approval of your renunciation or to cancel your renunciation, give the reasons for the delay in making such request:

I lived in country in Japan and learn from friend in Tokyo that I could request for cancellation of my renunciation. I believed I have asked Mr. Collins to request for me.

(F) If there are any other facts which influenced your action in renouncing your United States citizenship, state fully below or on a separate sheet if necessary.

10. (A) If you now are in Japan, give your reasons for having returned to Japan.

I have returned to Japan because I was only 30 years old and they wanted to live with me in Japan. I didn't want to come to Japan, but I could not go against them. I was only 30 years old and they wanted to live with me in Japan. I didn't want to come to Japan, but I could not go against them.

(B) If you are in Japan, have you since you returned to Japan taken any action to resume or acquire Japanese citizenship?

Answer Yes or No

If you have, state nature of action taken and reasons therefor.

11. (A) If you have served or are serving in the military or naval forces of the United States fill in the following:

I enlisted (or was drafted) on _____ in the _____; my Serial number is _____;
State the date State the Branch of Service
I still am in such service. _____ I was released from active duty on _____ and received my Discharge
Answer Yes or No
on _____

(B) If at any time while in a war relocation center or since then you volunteered for military or naval service but your offer of service was rejected state the time when and the place where you volunteered.

(C) State why your offer of such service was rejected, if the reason was made known to you.

(D) If you were rejected for military or naval service by your Local Draft Board since your release from a war relocation center state the reason for the rejection if known to you.

12. If any member of your family has served or is serving in the military or naval forces of the United States state the relationship of such person to you, the name of such person, the branch of service and serial number of such person:

Relationship	Name
Branch of Service	Serial Number

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 19____

This affidavit may be executed before any person authorized to administer oaths.

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PERSONAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Please read this questionnaire carefully and then print, type or write your answers legibly to the following questions.

- a. State your full name. Mitsuo Furukawa
- b. Male? yes Female? Maiden Name?
- c. Birth place? Perkins, Calif Birth date? July 30, 1919
- d. Have you ever renounced Japanese Nationality? yes When?
Where? San Francisco Japanese Consulate
Have you ever visited Japan? yes When? 1920 - 1928
Did you attend school in Japan? yes When? Dec, 1945 to present
How long? 1 1/2 yrs What Schools? Grammar School
Period of attendance: 1927 - 1928

no Voting
106: Mitsuo Furukawa, NAOYE
1st Furukawa (JRA SAKI) Shigeo
* 1st July, Gordon Koseki
** 2nd Dec. returned by 2nd attached here - cu

PRELIMINARY QUESTIONS

1. Where did you live before evacuation? Perkins, Calif
2. What was your occupation before evacuation? farming
3. Who, if anyone, was wholly or partially dependent upon you for support at the time you were evacuated? none
4. Where did your father and mother reside at the time of evacuation? parents resided with me at Perkins
Were they aliens? yes
What were their ages at the time of evacuation? father - 56; mother - 49
Were your parents both evacuated also? yes Was either of them in ill health while in a WRA Center? none Was either of them hospitalized while in a WRA Center? If so, when and in what Center?

Were you or any other members of your family in ill health while in a WRA Center? yes If so, state who was, and, if hospitalized, state when, for what period of time, and in what Center? I had an appendix removed at Tule - was confined for 10 days
5. When and where were you married? 1948 at Japan
What is the name of your spouse? Kayuzo

Is your spouse (wife or husband) a U. S. citizen, a renunciant or an alien? Japanese national

6. What are the names, birthdates and birthplaces of your children? Kayuo - 1954 at Japan; Maharu - 1957 at Japan
7. What members of your family were evacuated with you? (Wife, husband, children, father, mother, brothers, sisters, father-in-law, mother-in-law) father, mother & 2 sisters
8. State what members of your family (spouse, mother, father, brothers, sisters, children, father-in-law or mother-in-law) were in Japan during the war? none
9. Who of them, if any, were U. S. citizens? _____
10. Did any of them serve in the Japanese armed forces? _____
11. State what members, if any, of your spouse's family (your father-in-law, mother-in-law, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, or step-children) were in Japan during the war and whether they are U. S. citizens or Japanese aliens? _____
12. Did you suffer any property losses by reason of your evacuation? yes Did you file a claim to recover losses you suffered by reason of your evacuation? none For what amount did you file your claim? _____ What amount did you receive in settlement of your claims? _____ Did your parents suffer any property losses by reason of evacuation? _____ If so, for what amount did they file claims? _____ What amount did they receive in settlement of their claims? _____
13. State whether your husband, father or any other member of your family was interned as an alien enemy after the outbreak of war in an Alien Enemy Internment Camp, for removal to Japan, and, if so, in what camp? none

When and where were you reunited with such member of your family? _____

14. Did you apply for "short term", "seasonal work", "indefinite leave", "student's leave" or "relocation" while you were in a WRA Center? _____

When did you make that application? _____

In what camp were you at that time? _____

Were you denied leave? _____ By whom? _____

What reasons were given to you for denying your application? _____

15. Did you go out for seasonal work or on any leave clearance? _____ When and where did you go and for what period of time? _____

What type of work did you do? _____

Did you experience any discrimination or persecution while on leave? _____

If so, state the experience. _____

To what Center did you return? _____

16. State the names of any members of your family or any of your friends who went out on leave or relocation and experienced discrimination or persecution. _____

What happened to them? _____

When did the occurrences take place? _____ Year _____ Month _____

Where did they happen? _____

From whom or what sources did you hear or learn those things? _____

Did you know or learn of any other persons on leave having been subjected to discrimination or persecution? _____ What were their names? _____

What happened to them? _____

When and where did the occurrences take place? _____

Re: APPLICATIONS FOR REPATRIATION

17. To what Assembly Center were you evacuated? Furno Assembly
end of May, 1942
18. To what WRA Center were you next transferred? Jerome Relocation
Center - about Sept, 1942; Tulsa - Sept, 1943
19. In what Block did you live there? Jerome - 12; Tulsa 41
With whom did you share quarters there? just our family
20. In what Camp were you when you applied for repatriation to Japan? Jerome Relocation
21. Did you make that application before or after you answered the Army Questionnaire in February or March, 1943? same time
When did you make that application? 1943 &
Did you personally make that application? yes If not, who did? _____
- Did any of the following persons also make applications for repatriation to Japan? Your husband? _____ Wife? _____ father? yes mother? yes
brothers? _____ sisters? yes father-in-law? _____ mother-in-law? _____
brothers-in-law? _____ sisters-in-law? _____ When and in what Center were they at the time they did this? same time at Jerome
- Did they then fear that the government intended to deport all aliens to Japan? yes; that it intended to deport all Kibei to Japan? yes; that it intended to deport all Nisei to Japan? yes.
22. Did you make more than one application for repatriation to Japan, and, if so, when and where did you do so? only once

23. What members of your family pressured you into applying for repatriation to Japan? father + mother - They said it was futile to

What did they say to you to get you to apply for repatriation? know in

24. Did anyone else, not a member of your family, pressure you into applying for repatriation to Japan? yes. Name the persons who did and state whether they were Issei, Kibei, or Nisei, and blocks where they lived.

Rev Kai - Kibei - and another person who I cannot recall.

If those persons were leaders or members of any organization state the name of the organization. Daijyo Bukkyo Kai - I was once in it

at Jume, but later resigned. They said I cannot

What did those persons tell you to get you to apply for repatriation? exercise my right as US citizen in US so I might as well repatriate
I became a Japanese national

25. What did you then believe would happen to you if you did not make an application for repatriation to Japan? I felt I might be viewed as

a spy by the Kai's group

Were you fearful that if you did not apply for repatriation you would be separated from your husband? yes wife? yes children? yes mother? yes

father? yes brothers? yes sisters? yes or other persons? yes

Were those persons in the same Center with you at the time you applied for repatriation? yes If any of them were not, state who was not and where they were at the time.

26. Did you believe that if you didn't apply for repatriation to Japan that sooner or later you would be forced to relocate in the U. S.? yes; in an area hostile to Japanese? yes; that you might be drafted into the armed forces? yes; that you would be separated from alien members of your family you believed would be deported to Japan? yes

27. Did you make application for repatriation because you believed the Government had no use for you and intended to deport you to Japan because you were Kibei? no; of that it intended to deport you to Japan because your parents were there? no; or because your parents were aliens here and that it intended to deport them on an exchange ship to Japan simply because they were aliens? yes; and that they wanted you to be with them and not

be separated from them? Yes

Re: QUESTIONS 27 AND 28

28. In what WRA Center were you at the time you answered the Army Questionnaire containing Questions Nos. 27 and 28? June
In what Block were you living in that Center at that time? 12
Was the Questionnaire you answered the Army Questionnaire or the WRA Application for Leave Clearance, if you remember? WRA Army
29. Did you give a negative answer to Question No. 27? _____; to Question No. 28? _____. Did you refuse to answer Question No. 27? Yes; Question No. 28? Yes
30. Did any members of your family pressure you or threaten you into giving a "No" answer to Questions Nos. 27 and 28 or into refusing to answer those questions? Yes Who were the family members who did this? father + mother
What did they say to you to get you to answer "No" to those questions or to refuse to answer those questions? Since we are going to be repatriated to Japan it was unnecessary to answer.
Law Kai had threatened my parents.
Did you give a "No" answer to those questions or refuse to answer them because your father? _____ mother? _____ brothers? _____ sisters? _____ or other family members? _____ were in Japan at the time and you feared they might get in trouble with the Japanese government if you were willing to serve in the U. S. Army? _____ or were willing to swear allegiance to the U. S.? _____ Did you give "No" answers to those questions or refuse to answer them because your father? _____ mother? _____ brothers? _____ sisters? _____ or other family members? _____ were in the U. S. but you believed they were to be deported to Japan and that they would get in trouble with the Japanese Government when they arrived there if you had answered "Yes" to those questions? _____. Did you give a "No" answer to those questions because you believed that eventually you would be deported to Japan and you feared that if you gave a "Yes" answer to those questions you would get in trouble with the Japanese Government when you arrived in Japan? _____.
31. Did any other persons pressure or threaten you into giving "No" answers

to those questions or into refusing to answer those questions? Yes. What are the names of those persons and state whether they were Issei, Kibei, or Nisei and the Blocks in which they lived and the organization, if any, of which they were members? Rev Kuri and his group at

June - He urged us to refuse as we had been

What did those persons say to you to get you to give "No" answers to those questions or to refuse to answer those questions? Confined in the

Center in spite of your US citizenry + we should be loyal to our parents country, which is Japan

32. What did you fear would happen to you if you didn't give "No" answers to those questions or you didn't refuse to answer them? would have to

serve as US Army + I did not wish to serve while in the center

33. What did you fear would happen to other members of your family if you didn't give "No" answers to those questions or you did not refuse to answer them? We will be separated

34. Did you refuse to answer those questions because you already had applied for repatriation to Japan and you understood that if you already had applied for repatriation you did not have to answer those questions? same time

35. Did you give "No" answers to those questions or refuse to answer them because you resented being evacuated, confined to a WRA Center and treated like an alien? Yes.

36. Did you give "No" answers to those questions or refuse to answer them because you already had applied for repatriation and believed that if you gave "Yes" answers your application for repatriation would be cancelled and you might be drafted into the armed forces? ____; or be forcibly relocated in the U. S. while the war still was going on? _____. Did you fear that if you were to be drafted you would be discriminated against and be persecuted in the armed forces? _____. Did you fear that if you were drafted? ____ or relocated? ____ you would be permanently separated from members of your family who were to be repatriated to Japan? ____; from what family members did you fear to be separated? _____

37. Did anyone else, not a member of your family, pressure or threaten you into giving "No" answers to those questions? Yes What were their names and state whether they were Issei, Kibei or Nisei and the names of the

organizations to which they belonged?

Munakami - Nisei
my relatives

38. Did you fear that if you gave "Yes" answers to those questions that you would have to stay in camp and be separated from your parents or other family members who were to be deported to Japan because they were aliens or because they had asked to be sent to Japan and you did not want to be separated from them? yes From what parent or family members did you fear separation? father & mother

39. Did you fear that if you gave "Yes" answers to those questions you eventually would have to relocate in this country during the war and would be in danger from hostile Caucasians? yes
Who told you that this might happen to you? Rev Kai

40. Did you fear that if you gave "Yes" answers to those questions that it would mean you might be drafted into military service where you would be discriminated against or be persecuted by fellow soldiers or that you might be used as cannon fodder just because you had Japanese ancestry? yes
Who told you that this might happen to you? Sumner

41. Did you fear that if you gave "Yes" answers to those questions that you might be attacked and harmed by groups of Issei, Kibei or Nisei in camp?
yes Name the group and its leaders or members from whom you feared this danger? Rev Kai's group

Did you give "No" answers to those questions as a protest against the mistreatment of evacuation and confinement to a camp? yes

42. Were you, or any member of your family, or any friend or anyone else attacked by members of the pressure groups in that Center for showing loyalty to the U. S.? _____ or opposition to the pressure groups? no or for giving "Yes" answers to Questions Nos. 27 and 28? _____ If so, state the names of the persons who were attacked. _____

When were they attacked? _____ By whom were they attacked? _____

43. Did you then believe that if you gave a "No" answer to those questions that you would be allowed to stay in the Center for the duration of the war and in this way you and your family would be free from danger of persecution by Caucasians? yes. Who told you this? Rev. Kain & his group

44. Did you give "No" answers to Question Nos. 27 and 28 or refuse to answer those questions because you had been informed by the WRA or understood that because you already had applied for repatriation to Japan that you did not have to answer those questions? no. Who told you this? _____

45. Did you ever give a "Yes" answer to Question No. 27? no to Question No. 28? no; Did you change your answer to Question No. 27 or 28 to "No" at any time? no. Did you change your answer to Questions Nos. 27 and 28 to "No" or refuse to give "Yes" answers to those questions by July 31, 1943 because you knew that "No" answers or a refusal to answer those questions would mean that you would be sent to Tule Lake or be segregated there with alien members of your family from whom you did not want to be separated? no

46. When and where did you first register for the draft? _____

Sanamento, Calif. Oct. 1940
What classification did you first receive? B-A Did you ever receive a 4-C (alien enemy) classification? no When did you receive that 4-C classification? _____

In what Center were you when you received it? _____

Did you receive that 4-C classification before you answered the Army Questionnaire in February or March of 1943 while you were in a WRA Center or did you receive it afterward? _____

47. While you were in any WRA Center did you sign a petition addressed to the Attorney General, the President, the Army, the WRA or other governmental agency or agent stating in substance that if you were freed and returned to your home you would fight for the U. S. and give your life if necessary for this country? no. In what Center were you at the time? _____

Did you sign such a petition before you answered the Army Questionnaire in February or March, 1943 or afterward? _____ Did you sign such a

petition before you made a request for repatriation to Japan or afterward?

When were your parents first placed on the free list or notified that they could be relocated? _____

Were any other members of your family placed on the WRA free list for relocation purposes and, if so, who were they and when were they placed on the free list? _____

48. Would you have been willing to swear unqualified allegiance to the U. S. while you were in a WRA Center if the Government had allowed you to return to your home as a free citizen? yes Would you have been willing to return to your home alone? no; without the citizen members of your family likewise being freed from detention? no; without the alien members of your family also being freed? no Would you have been willing only if the Government would assure you that you would be relocated safe from harm from Caucasians? yes; that the citizen members of your family would be relocated safe from harm? yes; and that the alien members of your family willing to return to their homes during the war if the Government would allow them? yes Were they willing to be relocated elsewhere in the U. S.? no.

49. Did you keep in touch with your Local Draft Board while you were in a WRA Center? yes. Did you report to your Draft Board after you were released from camp? _____. To what Draft Board? _____

When? _____ After your release from camp did you volunteer for service in our armed forces? _____. Did you ever served armed forces? _____. When _____; into what branch?

_____; what period of time did you serve? _____; where did you serve? _____; what was your social number? _____.

Have you received an Honorable discharge from such service? _____; what is the date of that Discharge? _____

Re: MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS

50. (a) Did you ever sign a petition for resegregation (Saikakuri Seigan) while in Tule Lake? yes. When? 1944

(b) Were you at any time a member of (1) Sokoku Kenkyukai? _____
(2) Sokoku Kenkyo Seinen Dan? _____ (3) Sokuji Kikoku Hoshi Dan? _____

no (4) Hokoku Seinen Dan? no (5) Hokoku Joshi Seinen
Dan? _____

When did you become a member? _____

How long were you a member? _____

When did you stop being a member? _____

In what Block did you live at the time you became a member? _____

What was the name of your Block Manager? _____

With whom did you share living quarters at the Tule Lake Center? _____

What organizations were active in that Block? _____

What was the full name of the organization you joined? _____

What were the names of the leaders of the organizations in your Block? _____

51. Were your father? _____ or mother? _____ or brothers? _____ or sisters? _____
or father-in-law? _____ or mother-in-law? _____ a member of any organiza-
tion? _____ Did they persuade you to become a member? _____ What did they
say to you to persuade you to become a member? _____

What other members of your family were members of the Hoshi Dan? _____

Joshi Dan? _____

Seinen Dan? _____

Why did they become members? _____

In what Blocks were they living? _____

52. What are the names of the persons other than members of your family who
persuaded or threatened you into becoming a member and state whether such
persons were Issei, Kibei or Nisei and state the Blocks in which they
lived? _____

53. What did they tell you to persuade you to become a member? _____

What did they say would happen to you if you did not become a member? _____

54. What did you believe would happen to you if you did not become a member? _____

55. What office, if any, did you hold in the organization? _____

What duties did you perform? _____

How did you become an officer? _____

When did you become an officer? _____

From whom did you receive notice that you were an officer? _____

What duties did you perform as an officer? _____

As a member did you attend any morning calisthenic exercises? Approximately how often did you join in the calisthenics? _____

Did you attend any of the organization's lectures? _____ Approximately how many lectures did you attend? _____ What was the nature of those lectures? _____

Did you participate in any of their marching demonstrations? _____ If so, how many? _____

Did you attend any other meetings of the organization? _____ Where and how often? _____

56. Did you tell anyone you wanted to drop membership? _____ State the names of the persons you told you wanted to drop membership. _____

Did anybody warn you that you could not withdraw from membership? _____

Who gave you such a warning? (State their names, blocks, where they lived and whether Issei, Kibei or Nisei) _____

What did they tell you would happen if you dropped your membership or tried to drop membership? _____

Had you learned that anyone who tried to drop membership had been threatened or had been beaten up for trying to drop membership? _____ Who, if you know, was beaten for trying to do it? _____

What group did you hear was responsible for beating persons who tried to withdraw from membership? _____

57. Were you in fear that you would be attacked and beaten up by members if you tried to drop membership? _____ What groups did you fear might do this? _____
58. Were you told that if you tried to drop membership the organization would report this matter to the Japanese Government and that when you were deported to Japan you would get in trouble with the Japanese Government? _____ Who told you this? _____ Did you fear that if you dropped membership you would get in trouble with the Japanese Government when you were deported to Japan? _____.
59. Were you told that if you tried to drop membership the organization leaders would report this matter to the Japanese Government and that your alien parents would get in trouble with the Japanese Government when they were sent to Japan for not being able to control your actions? _____ Who told you this? (State the names, blocks where they lived and whether Issei, Kibei or Nisei) _____
- Did you fear that if you dropped membership your parents who were to be sent to Japan would get in trouble there? _____.
60. Did you have your hair cut short or shaved? _____ When? _____. Who did it? _____ Did you wear any insignia of the organization and, if so, what insignia? _____
61. If you or any member of your family was placed in the "Stockade" at Tule Lake Center state who was, for what period of time and for what reason _____
62. What was the nature of your employment and where did you work while you were in Tule Lake? at hospital clerk
- What were your working hours? 8-4 Were you working while you were a member of any organization at Tule? yes In what block? hospital What were the names of some of your fellow workers? Suzuki

63. Were you, or any member of your family, or any friend attacked by any members of any of the pressure groups at Tule Lake? _____ Who was? _____

When? _____ By whom? _____

Re: REQUESTS FOR FORMS UPON WHICH
TO RENOUNCE CITIZENSHIP

64. (a) In what Block did you live in the Tule Lake Center? 41

64. (b) When did you send a letter to the Attorney General or the Justice Department asking for forms upon which to renounce your citizenship?

64. (c) Where did you get the forms? Received at Tule Lake Center When? January, 1945

64. (d) In what Center were you at that time? Tule Block

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(Note: On December 19, 1944, General Pratt removed the ban on the return of Japanese to the West Coast. On December 21, 1944, the Newell Star, the Tule Lake Center newspaper, announced that all the WRA camps would be closed in about one year. Notices of this also may have been posted in the block manager's offices, the mess halls and other places in camp.

Therefore, if you sent a letter to the Attorney General or the Justice Department before December 21, 1944, asking for forms upon which to renounce citizenship you probably were not then in fear of the camp being closed and of being forced to relocate in a hostile area without funds or a home to which you could go. If you sent such a letter between December 21, 1944 and January 29, 1945, you probably were in fear of being relocated in such circumstances. On January 29, 1945, the WRA announced that Tule Lake would be kept open and that there would not be any forced relocations. If you sent your letter after January 29, 1945, the Justice Department will be inclined to believe you were not then in actual fear of being forcibly relocated in a hostile area without funds or a home to which you could go unless you convince it that you did not believe the January 29, 1945, announcement that the Tule Lake Center would be kept open and that no one would be forced to relocate.)

65. Did you send that letter to the Attorney General or to the Justice Department before that December 21, 1944 announcement that all the WRA Centers would be closed within a year? no. Did you send it between December 21, 1944 and January 29, 1945? yes.

66. Did you send it after the announcement of January 29, 1945, that the Tule Lake Center would be kept open? yes.

If you sent in your letter to the Justice Department after the WRA's announcement of January 29, 1945, that the Tule Lake Center would be kept open and that there would not be any forcible relocations you probably did not send that letter requesting forms upon which to renounce your citizenship by reason of fear that the Tule Lake Center would be closed and that you and your family would be forced to relocate and therefore, you should answer the following questions:

(a) From what source did you learn about that announcement of January 29,

1945: In the Newell Star? _____; from a notice on a bulletin board? _____; from the Block Manager? _____; from what other persons? _____

(b) Did you believe the announcement? _____. If not, state why you did not believe the announcement. _____

(c) Did anyone tell you that you could not trust that announcement? _____ If so, state who told you not to rely on that announcement and what they said to you to make you disbelieve it. _____

67. If the announcement of December 21, 1944, that all Centers would be closed within a year and the announcement of January 29, 1945, that Tule Lake Center would be kept open and there would not be any forcible relocations did not have anything to do with your decision to renounce your citizenship did you send the letter to the Justice Department asking for forms upon which to renounce citizenship because of any of the following fears, namely: (a) fear of separation from alien members of your family, such as father? _____ mother? _____ father-in-law? _____ mother-in-law? _____ step-father? _____ step-mother? _____ other aliens? _____ who you believed were to be deported to Japan? _____; (b) fear of being separated from citizen members of your family, such as your wife? _____ husband? _____ children? _____ who you believed would have to relocate in the U. S.? _____ or who you believed would be deported to Japan? _____; (c) fear of being deported yourself because you had given negative answers to Questions Nos. 27 or 28 and were considered a disloyal person? _____; (d) fear of treat or harm to yourself? _____ or your wife? _____ or husband? _____ or children? _____ or mother? _____ or father? _____ or other members? _____ of your family from gangs in the Center? _____; (e) fear of mistreatment or physical harm from the Government or its agents? _____
68. Did the announcement of December 21, 1944, that all the WRA Centers would be closed within a year cause you to send that letter to the Justice Department? yes Did you read that announcement in the Newell Star? _____; from a bulletin board? _____; or learn about it from the Block Manager? _____; or from other persons and, if so, name the persons: _____

69. Did you send the letter to the Justice Department asking for forms upon which to renounce your citizenship because you feared that December 21, 1944, announcement meant that you and the citizen members of your family would be forcibly relocated without money, a home or job in an area where people were hostile to Japanese while the war still was going on unless you renounced your citizenship? yes Were you afraid of being relocated because you had heard that jobs were scarce? yes; that employers did not wish to hire Japanese and that you might not get work to support yourself and your family? yes; that the public was hostile to Japanese and you feared mob violence? yes. If you had been forcibly relocated what members of your family would you then have had to support? _____

mother, father + 2 sisters

Had you heard of any relocated persons being discriminated against? ✓; refused work? ✓; being insulted? ✓; being attacked? ✓; being shot at? ✓; being persecuted? ✓; whose homes had been burned? ✓.

When and where had these incidents taken place? Sumner -

+ also saw newspaper articles

What were the names of the persons who had been mistreated and state what it was that happened to them. _____

70. Did you send that letter because you believed that if you sent for the forms and renounced your citizenship that you would be interned by the Justice Department and could stay in camp until the war ended and then be safely relocated when public hostility to Japanese died down? yes. Who told you that this could be done? Sumner

71. Did any members of your family fear or tell you that you would be forcibly relocated and run the risk of danger from hostile Caucasians unless you sent that letter and renounced your citizenship and, if so, what members of your family told you this? father + mother

72. (a) State what members of your family were in fear of what might happen to you or to them if you did not send such a letter and, if so, state of what or of whom they were in fear? they did not wish to

separate our family

72. (b) In what Blocks were each of your family members living at that time?

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73. Did you fear that if you did not send the letter and request forms upon which to renounce your citizenship that you would be separated from alien members of your family? yes; and, if so, from what alien members?

father & mother
or from citizen members? yes and if so, from what citizen members of your family? 2 sisters

74. Name the members of your family who told you that you would be separated from your family if you did not send for the forms and renounce your citizenship? father

75. Name other persons, not members of your family, who told you that you would be separated from your family if you did not send for the forms and renounce your citizenship and state whether they were Issei, Kibei or Nisei and the Blocks where they lived. Wada - Issei, Kanawaka - Issei, Koyanagi - Issei, George Sakamoto - Kibei, Mr. Matsumoto - Issei, Arthur Bell - Issei

76. What members of your family (wife, husband, children, father, mother, brother, sisters, father-in-law, mother-in-law) were in the Tule Lake Center at the time you sent that letter to the Justice Department?

father, mother, & 2 sisters

What members of your family pressured, threatened or persuaded you to send that letter? father -

What did they fear or say to you to get you to send that letter?

The card while in US he did not have citizenship or was discriminated. That as to my US citizenship was confirmed, & he wanted me to go with him to his country where there was no discrimination

77. Did your husband? yes wife? yes father? yes mother? yes brothers? yes sisters? yes in-laws? yes force you to send a letter requesting

forms on which to renounce your citizenship so that you wouldn't be separated from them by being forced to relocate while they remained in camp or finally were deported to Japan? If such person or persons were

citizens of the U. S. state whether they already had sent for forms upon which to renounce their citizenship? alvin

What did such person or persons say to you to force you to renounce your citizenship? same people

78. Did you send that letter requesting forms upon which to renounce citizenship because you heard that alien members of your family who had requested repatriation to Japan would have to stay in the Center until they could be exchanged or removed to Japan and that you ultimately would have to be relocated in this country and thus be separated from them unless you applied for renunciation? yes Name the persons who told you this might happen if you didn't renounce your citizenship and state whether they were Issei, Kibei or Nisei and the Blocks where they lived _____

same group 41
What alien members of your family already had asked for repatriation to Japan at the time you sent that letter? father & mother

Were the alien members of your family on the WRA free list and eligible to relocate at the time you sent your letter to the Justice Department asking for forms upon which to renounce your citizenship? none

79. Did you fear that if you didn't send for the forms and didn't renounce your citizenship that you, nevertheless, would be deported to Japan along with the alien members of your family because you had asked for repatriation to Japan and that you would get in trouble with the Japanese government when you arrived there? none Name the persons who told you this and state whether they were Issei, Kibei, Nisei, the Blocks where they lived and the organizations of which they were members. _____

I felt I had to be with my parent as I was the only male in my family.

80. Did you decide to apply for forms upon which to renounce your citizenship because you believed your life was being frittered away uselessly in camp? yes, that you feared that you might be confined to camp until the war ended? yes which might take many years? yes or that if the war did not come to an end you would be kept in camp forever? yes or that when and

if the war ended the Government might deport you to Japan? yes and that you wanted to get away from camp life? yes and feared that you had to go or be sent somewhere or anywhere, even to Japan, just so long as you were made a free man? yes

81. Did you send a letter to the Justice Department asking for the forms upon which to renounce because you were afraid that the Government had no use for you and didn't care what happened to you and that you were afraid this was true because it had deprived you of citizenship rights by evacuating you and putting you into a WRA Center behind barbed wires and then had armed troops guard you? yes; and then didn't give you any protection in the Tule Lake Center from the threats and violence of gangs? yes; and because the police didn't give any protection to the residents? yes; and you were scared by the soldiers moving in and driving the residents around and searching their quarters? yes; and no protection was given against such things as the murder of Mr. Hitomi, the knifing of Mr. Terasawa and others, and the clubbing and beatings of many persons; and that the Government didn't punish the soldier who shot Mr. Okamoto? yes, and that you thought these things clearly meant the Government had no use for you and didn't want to give you any protection and that, to avoid all this violence and trouble, you had to renounce citizenship to insure your own safety? yes and the safety of your wife? _____, husband? _____, father? yes, mother? yes, children? _____, brothers? _____, sisters? yes, other members of your family? _____.

82. Did you decide to send the letter asking for forms upon which to renounce your citizenship because you feared that you were going to be deported to Japan because you had given "No" answers to Questions Nos. 27 and 28 or had refused to answer those questions and were considered disloyal to the U. S. and that it was necessary for you to send that letter to the Justice Department and renounce your citizenship otherwise you would get in trouble when you arrived in Japan? yes. What trouble did you think you would get into in Japan if you didn't renounce U. S. citizenship? _____

State what members of your family told you this. _____

Name the Issei, Kibei and Nisei who told you this and state in what Block _____

they lived at Tule Lake and the name of any organizations to which they belonged _____

83. Did you fear that if you didn't send for the forms and renounce your citizenship that you eventually might be drafted into our armed forces while you were in the Center and thus be separated from your citizen wife? _____; citizen children? _____; or other citizen members of your family?

yes who were in the Center? yes. Did you fear that if you didn't send for the forms and renounce citizenship that you eventually would be relocated and then might be drafted into our armed forces and then be separated from your wife? _____, children? _____, other family members? yes who would have relocated with you? Who told you these things might happen if you didn't renounce your citizenship? Rev. Kuri

84. Did you fear that if you didn't send for the forms and renounce your citizenship that you eventually might be drafted into the army while you were in the Center or after you were forcibly relocated which would result in separating you from alien members of your family who were to be sent to Japan because they had asked for repatriation to Japan and wanted to go there? yes or because they believed they would be deported to Japan after the war ended because they feared the Government intended to deport all alien Japanese to Japan? yes. Who told you this would happen? _____

Mr. Wada-Issui

85. Did your alien parents fear that if you didn't send for the forms and renounce your citizenship that you eventually might be drafted into the army and be separated from them when they were sent to Japan? yes. Did they tell you this? yes. Name other persons who told you this. _____

Did your parents fear that if you served in the armed forces that they would get in trouble with the Japanese Government when they arrived in Japan? yes. Did they tell you this? yes. Name other persons who told you this. same people

86. Did any person or persons or group of persons tell you or spread the rumor that if you didn't send for the form and renounce your citizenship you would get into trouble with the Japanese government when you were

deported to Japan? yes. Name the persons who told you these things, the Blocks where they lived and the organizations to which they belonged, and whether they were Issei, Kibei or Nisei. _____

same people

87. Name the other members of your family whom you believed would get in trouble there if you didn't renounce your citizenship and state whether they were in the Center with you. father, mother

+ 2 sisters

88. If any members of your family were in Japan at the time, did you fear that they might be punished by the Japanese government if it learned that you did not renounce your U. S. citizenship? _____. What members of your family there did you fear might get in such trouble? _____

89. With what agents of Japan did you think you or your family members would get in trouble if you did not renounce your citizenship? _____

(The Japanese police? ☒; Kempeitai? ☒; Army? ☒; Neighborhood Associations? ☒; other agencies? _____.)

What did you fear would happen to you or to them? Since we were fighting

with US + Japan - we could not repatriate to Japan unless
permitted + be separated from my parents.

Did you believe that you or they would be put in prison? ____; internment camp? ____; be forced to work as slave laborers? ____; or what else did you fear would happen to you or to them? _____

90. If anyone else told you to send that letter, name the persons who did and state whether they were Issei, Kibei or Nisei and the Blocks in which they lived or where they worked at Tule Lake Center, and state the names of the organizations of which they were members. Murahami-Kuni

What did they tell you would happen to you if you didn't send that letter?

In spite of my US citizenship I was confused, & why
should I be loyal to US. I should go to Japan & be loyal
to my father's country

Were those persons leaders or members of any of the organizations in Tule Lake, and, if so, state the names of the organizations. _____

Who were the Issei leaders of those organizations and in what Blocks did they live? _____

The Kibei leaders and Blocks where they lived? _____

The Nisei leaders and Blocks where they lived? _____

91. Were any groups of leaders or members of the Seinen Dan or Hoshi Dan moved away to Santa Fe before you sent in that letter? no If so, what groups? _____

Were any groups of leaders or members of the Seinen Dan or Hoshi Dan removed to Santa Fe before you sent in that letter? no. If so, what groups? _____

(Note. The first group of 70 Issei and citizens belonging to the Hokoku Seinen Dan were taken away to Santa Fe on December 27, 1944. Renunciation hearings started on January 11, 1945. The next group of 144 citizens and 27 aliens, including 50 officers of the Hokoku Seinen Dan, was taken to Santa Fe on January 26, 1945. The next group of about 650 members of the Hokoku Seinen Dan was removed to Bismarck on February 11, 1945. The next group of 125 persons was taken to Santa Fe on March 12, 1945. About June, 1945, some 400 more were removed to Santa Fe and in July, 1945, a few more were taken to Bismarck. Therefore, if you had your hearing after these groups had been removed you were not in fear of them at that time.)

92. Were you in fear that if you didn't send for the forms and renounce your citizenship that your name would be put on the organization's black-list and would be reported to the Japanese government and you would get in trouble with the Japanese government when you arrived in Japan? yes. Who told you this would happen? - co worker in hospital - I cannot

recall the name

State whether they were Issei, Kibei or Nisei, the Blocks where they then were living and the organization to which belonged. _____

Were you in fear of the leaders of any of the organizations at Tule? no

Were you in fear of the members of any of the organizations? no. OF

what organizations were you in fear? Hoshi dan

Seinen dan

of what leaders were you in fear? (State the blocks where they lived)

of what members were you in fear? (State the Blocks where they lived)

Why were you in fear? Inasmuch as I had recognized some the

New Kai's groups in Jumea / feared I might be harmed

Were any other members of your family in fear of them or their organizations and, if so, state the names of your family members who were in fear of them? parents & sister

93. If you or any member of your family or any friends were attacked by any of the leaders or members of any of the pressure groups for not doing what the pressure group leaders wanted state the names of the persons who were attacked, the time and place where attacked and by whom.

none

94. Were you in fear of being attacked and beaten up by them or their organizations if you did not send for the forms and renounce your citizenship?

yes. Had any of them threatened you? no. If so, what were their names and state what they said to you.

But Kai's group was very aggressive / became disgusted with his group & resigned

95. Were you in fear that members of your family might be attacked and physically harmed if you did not send that letter, and, if so, state what members of your family you feared might be harmed by them.

parents & sister

96. Were you in fear that if you did not send that letter that you might be harmed by the leaders or members of any of the following organizations, namely: Hoshi Dan? ✓; Seinen Dan? ✓; Joshi Dan? ✓; Manzanar gang? ✓; the Poston gang? ✓; Jerome gang? ✓; San Pedro gang? ✓; the Tiger gang? ✓; The Black Dragon Society gang? ✓ or other

gangs? _____; or strong arm groups? _____. Name the leaders, members, groups or gangs of which you were in fear. _____

97. While you were in Tule were you ever called an inu? none; a spy? _____; a stooge? _____; an informer? _____; a White Jap? _____; a traitor? _____; kokuzoku? _____; or other names? _____, for not doing what the organizations wanted you to do? _____. What names were you called? _____

Were you in fear of being called such names? yes. What were the names of the persons who called you such names? _____

98. How many persons called on you or spoke to you and asked you if you had sent for the forms upon which to renounce your citizenship? _____. What were their names? Wade said he was a Japanese I was not so as I had not received my approval

Did anyone check up on your mail in the block manager's office to see whether or not you had sent such a letter or had received an answering letter from the Justice Department? ?. State the names of the persons who checked up on you in this manner. _____

Did anyone take down your name as being a person who did not send such a form or was late in sending for such a form? no.. State the names of the persons who did this and whether they were Issei, Kibei or Nisei: _____

99. Were any members of your family or friends attacked, beaten or threatened for not sending for the forms? _____. Name the persons who were attacked or beaten. _____

Were you ostracized for not sending in such a letter promptly? yes. Did friends shun or avoid you or refuse to talk to you because you had not sent for the forms? yes. Was your spouse? _____; your children? _____; or other members of your family? _____ mistreated for your delay in sending such a letter? _____. What mistreatment did they suffer and from whom?

As I was within the law - I was accused with suspicion

100. While you were in a WRA Center did the U. S. Immigration Service commence any deportation proceeding against your husband? _____; wife? _____; father? no; mother? no for violation of any immigration law? Did you fear that the member of your family against whom deportation proceedings had been started would be deported from the U. S. to Japan because such person was illegally in the U. S.? _____. Did you fear separation from such person and did the fear that such person would be deported cause you to apply for the forms upon which to renounce citizenship so that you would not be separated from such person? _____.

Re: RENUNCIATION HEARING

101. Name the members of your family besides you who had a hearing on an application for renunciation of citizenship. Husband? _____; wife? _____; brothers? _____; sisters? yes; other family members? _____

Did you have your hearing before the renunciation of your wife? _____; husband? _____; brothers? _____ or sisters? same time. Did you have it on the same day as your wife? _____; husband? _____. On what date did you have your renunciation hearing? suppose was falling that day. Was your hearing officer a man? _____; a woman? yes. Did you have an interpreter at your hearing? no. Did you need one? no.

102. At your renunciation hearing did you tell the hearing officer that you wanted to renounce because you were loyal to Japan, or that you wanted Japan to win the war, or that you were against the U. S. or make other statements indicating loyalty to Japan or disloyalty to the U. S.? yes. What, in substance, did you tell the hearing officer as reasons why you wanted to renounce your citizenship? I said I would not be loyal to US even if I should die. I said I was renouncing as I had been evacuated & I would not be loyal to US, + I wish to go to Japan & be loyal to Japan. Name the persons who coached you and told you what you were to say at your hearing to make certain your renunciation would be approved and state whether they were Issei, Kibei or Nisei and the blocks where they lived.

parents told me to say something strong & show that I was renouncing, was voluntary - & saying thing which is strong.

103. Did the hearing officer tell you that you did not have to renounce your citizenship in order to go to Japan? no. Did you believe this? _____. Were you in fear of the hearing officer? no. Why? _____ Did you fear to tell the hearing officer the real reasons why you were renouncing your citizenship? yes. What did you think would happen if you had told him the real reasons? Would not be approved, and I felt I had to get it approved.
104. Did you fear that if you did and your renunciation was not accepted that you would get in trouble with your parents? yes; other family members? yes; who were in Tule Lake? yes; or in some other internment camp? _____ Were you then in fear of being forcibly relocated in a dangerous area? yes (If your hearing took place after the January 29, 1945, announcement were you still in fear of eventual relocation in a hostile area? _____) Were you then in fear of being drafted? yes. Were you in fear of separation from members of your family? yes. From what members? parents + sisters
- _____
- _____
- Were they in Tule Lake? yes; or in what other Center? _____ Were they on the WRA "free list" and eligible for relocation at the time? no. Had they applied for relocation before the day you had your renunciation hearing? no. Were they still expecting to be sent to Japan? yes. Did they still want to go to Japan? yes. Had they cancelled their applications to go to Japan? no
105. Were you in fear that if your renunciation was not accepted you would be in danger of harm from any of the leaders or members of any of the pressure groups at the time you had your renunciation hearing? yes. Had the leaders or members been removed to other camps at the time you had your hearing? no. Were some leaders and members still in camp at the time you had your hearing? yes. What were the names of those who were still in camp? Wada, Hanaka, Suhamo, Koyanagi, Matsukida, Nagatashi; in your Block? yes
- _____ Were you in fear of them? yes.
106. Were you removed from Tule Lake Center to Bismarck? no; Santa Fe? no;

When? _____; with what groups: the 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th groups? _____. What members of your family remained at Tule Lake? _____

What other members of your family were removed from Tule Lake Center to Bismarck? _____;

to Santa Fe? _____ When? _____

Were they removed from Tule Lake before you had your renunciation hearing? _____ or after you had your hearing at Tule Lake? _____.

State when and where you were re-united with them. _____

Name the other members of your family who renounced citizenship. _____

Naoye Furukawa - sister
Shuzuye Urahaki

107. Did you give such answers because other members of your family had been removed from Tule Lake and you thought that by so doing you would be re-united with them? _____. Did you fear that those family members would be deported to Japan and that if you gave such answers you would be re-united with them and be deported along with them? _____.

108. (a) If you applied for relocation in the U. S. after your renunciation state when you did so. _____.

108. (b) Did you write a letter to the Attorney General or Justice Department asking to cancel your renunciation? _____ When? _____ In what Center were you living when you wrote that letter? _____

Re: MITIGATION HEARING

109. Did you have a "mitigation hearing" between December, 1945, and April, 1946? _____. In what Center did you have this hearing? _____

_____. Was your hearing officer a man? _____; a woman? _____.

At this hearing did you tell the hearing officer that you were loyal to Japan or disloyal to the U. S. or words to such an effect? _____. If you did, state why you did this. _____

What members of your family were with you in the same Center at the time of this hearing? (spouse, father, mother, children, brothers, sisters, father in law, mother in law) _____

From what members of your family were you then separated? _____

Where were those members of your family at the time of your mitigation hearing? _____

Were they then on the WRA or Justice Department free list and eligible for relocation? _____. Had they relocated? _____. If they had, state when. _____

Did you then fear that members of your family in other camps were to be deported to Japan? _____. Was it because of your fear that those members were to be deported to Japan that you gave such answers to the mitigation hearing officer so that you would be allowed to rejoin those members and not be separated any longer from them? _____

What members of your family, if any, were removed to other internment camps after you had your renunciation hearing? _____

When and where were you re-united with them? _____

When were you released from detention? _____. In what camp were you when you were released from detention? _____

If any of your family members were sent to Japan, state when they sailed for Japan. _____ From what port did they sail? _____. What other members of your family went to Japan? _____

When were you placed on the "free list"? _____. If

your parents, spouse or other family members were placed on the free list, state when they were placed on that list and the camp from which they relocated. _____

State the name of any person in your family who has served or is serving in the Armed Forces of the United States and the branch of service. _____

State the relationship of such person to you _____

State the Serial Number of such person _____

Has such person received an Honorable Discharge? _____

If, before evacuation, or while you were in an Assembly Center or War Relocation Center any person (Caucasian or other) threatened, warned or advised you against returning to your home or against relocating, state the names of such persons and their addresses? _____

When were such threats, warnings or advice made or given to you? _____

Year _____ Month _____

Where were you at the time? _____

Were the threats, warnings or advice verbal or in letters? _____

Were any members of your family threatened, warned or advised against leaving camp, relocating to their homes? _____

Name the family members and specify their relationship to you. _____

Have you ever served in the armed forces of the U. S.? _____

In what branch? _____ When? _____ Period of service _____

Where did you serve? _____ Date you received an Honorable Discharge? _____ Serial No. _____

What other members of your family (father, children, brothers or sisters) served in the armed forces of the U. S. _____

State their names, relationship and branch of the armed forces in which they served or are serving, _____

Since returning to Japan in 1946 have you voted in any elections? none

Where? _____ Years you
voted? _____ What elections? _____

Why did you vote in those elections? _____

What Allied military officers told you to vote? _____

What were you told would happen to you if you didn't vote? _____

What Japanese officials told you to vote? _____

What neighborhood association told you to vote? _____

State the names and addresses of the neighbors who told you to vote? _____

What were you told would happen to you if you didn't vote? _____

What did you believe or fear would happen to you if you didn't vote? _____

Since returning to Japan in 1946 has your name been registered in any
family Koseki? none When (what year) _____

Where? _____

Did you personally apply to be registered in a Koseki? _____

Where did you go to be registered? _____ When? _____

Why did you go to be registered? _____

If someone other than you personally registered your name in a Koseki
state who it was who registered you. _____

What relation is that person to you? _____

Why were you registered in a Koseki since returning to Japan in 1946? _____

What caused you to be registered in a Koseki since 1946? _____

Were you registered in a Koseki since returning to Japan in 1946 because
if you were not registered you would not have been given a ration card?

_____ or would not have been given an address to

receive mail? _____ or would have been
punished, and, if so, by whom? _____ and why? _____

Were you registered because of fear that if you weren't you would suffer
in some form? _____ such as would not be issued a ration card?
_____ or for what other reasons? _____

Have you, since returning to Japan in 1946 been naturalized as a Japanese
citizen? none. If so, what steps did you take to become natu-
ralized as a Japanese citizen? _____

Have you, since returning to Japan been employed by the Japanese Govern-
ment or any agency of the Japanese Government? none
If so, name the office by which you were employed and the dates of your
employment? _____

Have you worked for the United States Government or Allied military auth-
orities while in Japan? none For what service? _____
In what capacity? _____ Where did you perform your
work? _____ Dates of your employment? _____

What is your occupation now? farmer - Where? Kirino gawa mun
manufacturing electrical supply
What property do you own in Japan? none
Nature of property? _____
Estimated valuation of that property? _____

Name of your nearest relative in the U. S. and address.
Sister - Iwaya Iwasaki - 604 Church St. Roseville Calif
" - Fumiko Iwasaki - 12315 Keston Ave Cleveland Ohio

To what address do you intend to return to in the U. S. _____
Iwaya Iwasaki

(Attach all the documents and letters you have relating to your renuncia-
tion of U. S. citizenship.)

Have you filed an application with a U. S. Consul in Japan for a U. S.
Passport? yes . When did you file it? 1957

(Attach a copy of the affidavit you filed with the U. S. Consul which
explained why you renounced U. S. citizenship.)

What reasons did the U. S. Consul give you for refusing to issue you a passport? was rejected - without much reason

(Attach the letter of refusal the U. S. Consul sent to you.)

Have you registered as on aliens in Japan? Yes When?

every 2 or 3 yrs. Where? Kirimegawa-mura, Wakayama-ken
Japan

Date: July 26, 1957

Mitsuo Furukawa

Signature

Kirime-gawamura,
Meraka-gun,
Wakayama-ken, Japan registered

Address

none

Telephone Number

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September 7, 1957

Mr. Mitsuo Furukawa
Kirime-gawamura, Hidaka-gun
Wakayama-ken, Japan

Dear Mr. Furukawa:

I am returning herewith via air mail the original of the affidavit which I have prepared for you from your answers to my questionnaire. I would thank you to read the answers therein and if you find them to be true, you should take the original to a U. S. Consul in Japan and there sign and swear to it. Thereupon you should return it to me promptly by air mail for processing to the Justice Department.

A copy for you to keep for future reference is being sent via regular mail.

If you should make any additions or corrections in the affidavit, please inform me of the changes in a letter enclosing the affidavit.

Very truly yours,

WMC
Enc.

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AFFIDAVIT

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF AFFIDAVIT

This affidavit should be specifically addressed to the circumstances of your particular case and should not consist of generalities. When you are uncertain as to matters related in your affidavit write "uncertain". Where you claim that any action was taken by you as the result of fear, you should state in each instance, with the greatest possible particularity, what was feared and why. If it is claimed that the fears were caused by threats from individuals or groups of individuals, the nature of the threats, the names of the individuals making them, if known, and the time, place and occasion for the making of the threats should be given.

If more space is needed for answers to particular questions, separate sheets of plain white paper should be used. Each separate sheet so used should be plainly marked with the number of the question being answered and your name.

1. Name Mitsuo Furukawa		Date of Birth July 30, 1919 (31)	
2. If born prior to December 1, 1924	(A) Have you ever renounced Japanese nationality? Yes	When Uncertain	Where Japanese Consulate, San Francisco, Calif.
3. If born since December 1, 1924	(A) Was your name ever registered with a Japanese Consulate for the purpose of reserving your Japanese nationality?		
If so, did you thereafter renounce your Japanese nationality?	When	Where	
4. State periods of visits to Japan and purpose of each visit:			
Date		Purpose	
From 1919 Dec. 1945	To 1928 present	Taken by parent to be raised by grandparent See Question 10(A).	
5. Give details concerning any formal education in Japan:			
School		Period of Attendance	
Minabe Elementary School		From 1927	To 1928
Specify subjects studied (attach additional sheet if necessary).			
Lower school classes.			
6. Have you ever made application for repatriation to Japan? YesIf so, give date.. About 1943, and your reasons for so applying: (See attached sheet)			
7. (A) Have you ever expressly indicated that you would not swear unqualified allegiance to the United States? No		Have you ever declined to answer when asked whether you would swear unqualified allegiance? Yes, see attached sheet	
Or have you ever given a qualified answer to such question asked at War Relocation Centers? NoIf so, give your reasons:			
(B) If your answer to any of the questions in (A) is affirmative, then did you ever subsequently change your mind and express your willingness to swear an unqualified allegiance or would you have been willing to do so if an opportunity had been afforded you? YesIf so, state when you changed your mind and your reasons therefor: I would have been willing to do it if I had the opportunity as a free citizen, with protection for family.			

(C) Did you ever indicate that you would not swear unqualified allegiance to the United States either expressly or by refusal to answer, or a qualified answer, knowing that by so doing you would be sent to the WRA Segregation Center at Tule Lake?.....**No**..... If so, give reasons:

8. (A) WERE YOU EVER AT ANY TIME A MEMBER OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS:	Answer		Period of Membership
	Yes	No	
Black Dragon Society (Kokuryu Kai)		X	
Central Japanese Association (Beikoku Chuo Nipponjin Kai)		X	
Central Japanese Association of Southern California		X	
Dai Nippon Butoku Kai (Military Virtue Society of Japan or Military Art Society of Japan) (Hokubei Kai)		X	
Heimuska Kai, also known as Hokubei Heieki Gimusha Kai Zaibei Nihonjin, Heiyaku Gimusha Kai, and		X	
Zaibei Heimusha Kai (Japanese residing in American Military Conscripts Assoc.) Heimusha Kai		X	
Hinode Kai (Imperial Japanese Reservists)		X	
Hinomaru Kai (Rising Sun Flag Society—a Group of Japanese War Veterans)		X	
Hokubei Zaigo Shoko Dan (North American Reserve Officers Association)		X	
Japanese Association of America (Zaibei Nihonjin Kai)		X	
Japanese Overseas Central Society (Kaigai Dobo Chuo Kai)		X	
Japanese Overseas Convention, Tokyo, Japan, 1940		X	
Japanese Protective Association (Recruiting Organization)		X	
Jikyoku Iin Kai (Current Affairs Association)		X	
Kibei Seinen Kai (Association of U. S. Citizens of Japanese Ancestry who have returned to America after studying in Japan)		X	
Nanka Teikoku Gunyudan (Imperial Military Friends Group or Southern California War Veterans)		X	
Nichibei Kogyo Kaisha (The Great Fujii Theatre)		X	
Northwest Japanese Association		X	
Sakura Kai (Patriotic Society or Cherry Association—composed of Veterans of Russo-Japanese War) (Cherry Blossom Society)		X	
Shinto Temples		X	
Sokoku Kai (Fatherland Society)		X	
Suiko Sha (Reserve Officers Association Los Angeles)		X	
Hokoku Seinen-Dan		X	
Hokoku Joshi Seinen-Dan		X	
Sokoku Kenkyu Seinen-Dan		X	
Sokuji Kikoku Hoshi-Dan		X	

(B) Give reasons for becoming a member:

(C) State nature of your activity and offices you held:

(D) If you voluntarily discontinued membership in any of the aforementioned organizations, give approximate date and reasons for so doing:

(E) If you claim that your membership in any of the aforementioned organizations, your activities therein, or your acceptance of an office was due to misunderstanding of the purpose or nature of the organization, explain fully:

(F) If you at any time wished to discontinue membership, activity, or office and were prevented from so doing, explain fully:

9. (A) When did you decide to apply for forms upon which to renounce your United States citizenship?
Give reasons for so doing:

About Jan. 1945.

(See attached sheet)

(B) If reasons given in answer to preceding question differ from reasons given to officer who held renunciation hearing, give your explanation for difference: My parents believed that by forcing me to renounce they could take me along to Japan with them to prevent family separation. They told me to talk strongly to hearing officer, show that I wanted to renounce and be with them and say pro-Japanese things, so I could get approval or otherwise my renunciation would not be accepted.

(C) If you claim that your renunciation was caused by fear, you should explain fully why such fear extended from the time of the application for renunciation papers until the date of actual renunciation:
I did not want to cause my parents more trouble and they were insistent all the time about forcing me to renounce. Otherwise I was afraid that we would all be in trouble, as explained in Question 9(A).

(D) If the fear did not extend from the date of application to the date of approval by the Attorney General, you should state whether you made any effort to withdraw your application, and if not, explain fully: After renouncing I had wish to withdraw my application as I realized I was stateless, but I was prevented by my parents because they thought it was the only way they could take me to Japan.

(E) If, after approval, you requested the Attorney General to withdraw his approval of your renunciation or to cancel your renunciation, give the reasons for the delay in making such request:

(F) If there are any other facts which influenced your action in renouncing your United States citizenship, state fully below or on a separate sheet if necessary.

10. (A) If you now are in Japan, give your reasons for having returned to Japan. **My parents begged and forced me to come to Japan with them because I was only son and they wanted to live with me in Japan. I did not want to go to Japan but I could not go against my parents.**

(B) If you are in Japan, have you since you returned to Japan taken any action to resume or acquire Japanese citizenship? **No**
Answer Yes or No

If you have, state nature of action taken and reasons therefor. **I have registered as an alien in Japan.**

11. (A) If you have served or are serving in the military or naval forces of the United States fill in the following:

I enlisted (or was drafted) on..... in the.....; my Serial number is.....
State the date State the Branch of Service
I still am in such service.....; I was released from active duty on.....and received my Discharge
Answer Yes or No
on.....

(B) If at any time while in a war relocation center or since then you volunteered for military or naval service but your offer of service was rejected state the time when and the place where you volunteered.

(C) State why your offer of such service was rejected, if the reason was made known to you.

(D) If you were rejected for military or naval service by your Local Draft Board since your release from a war relocation center state the reason for the rejection if known to you.

12. If any member of your family has served or is serving in the military or naval forces of the United States state the relationship of such person to you, the name of such person, the branch of service and serial number of such person:

Relationship	Name
.....
Branch of Service	Serial Number
.....

/s/ Mitsuo Furukawa
(Signature in full of applicant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this **13th** day of **September**, 19 **57**.

Service No. _____
Tariff No. **58(a)**
Fee Paid: U.S.\$ **nil**
Local Cy. equiv. **¥ (gratis)**

(CONSULAR SEAL)

/s/ Howard B. Crotinger
Vice Consul of the United States of
America in and for Kobe, Japan

This affidavit may be executed before any person authorized to administer oaths.

6:

I was evacuated with my father, mother and two sisters. My parents made application for repatriation and they believed that as aliens they were deportable and also that their children would be deported. My father and mother said it was futile to remain in this country and I should accompany them, otherwise I would be cutting family ties. Also Rev. Kai, Kibei, and another fellow said I should ask for repatriation, that I could not exercise any citizenship rights. I was afraid to be considered as a spy by Kai's group. I did not want to cut myself off from my family, and have to relocate myself in some strange place where there was hostility by the public against persons of our race.

7(A):

My father and mother said that since we expected to be sent to Japan, it was not necessary to answer the questions; Rev. Kai had influenced my parents in this matter, and he and his group at Jerome urged us to refuse as we had been confined in the center in spite of our citizenship and we should be loyal to our parents' country. I was afraid to be separated from my parents. Mr. Murakami, Nisei, a relative, said I should not give "yes" answers. Rev. Kai said that if I gave "yes" answers, I eventually might have to relocate and would be in danger from hostile Caucasians, and there were rumors about persecution if we were in service. I was afraid to be harmed by Rev. Kai's group if I showed my opposition to them.

I registered for the draft in Oct. 1940, and received 3-A classification.

9(A):

I was with my father, mother and two sisters at Tule Lake, and my parents did not want the family to be separated and said that if I did not get the form and renounce that I would be forcibly relocated and be in danger from hostile Caucasians. I heard rumors and saw newspaper articles about the way the public treated persons of Japanese ancestry and I was afraid that I could not even get work and sustain the family and we would be harmed outside of camp. My father said that if I did not get the form the family would be split up. Mr. Wada, Issei, Mr. Hanaoka, Issei, Mr. Koyanagi, Issei, and others in Block 41 said that there would be a family separation if I did not renounce. My father insisted that the only thing I could do was get the form and renounce, that while in the U.S. he did not have citizenship and was discriminated against, and that even though I had citizenship I was confined and treated as alien and he wanted me, only son, to go with him to Japan. I felt I should remain with my parents as I was the only male in the family, and my parents depended on me, with responsibility to them in our troubled situation.

Camp life was very discouraging because of the many hardships of existence and when the violence and intimidation was carried on by the agitators we felt that our lives were not safe, and we had no protection against bad treatment. Kai's group was very aggressive and went around agitating and tried to be powerful and influential in every way. At Jerome I was in Daijyo Bukkyo Kai group but I resigned as I was disgusted with Kai's group and since I had got away from it, I was afraid to get more on the wrong side of the group, and they might harm me. Also I did not want my parents and sisters to get in trouble for my conduct. I was ostracized for not going ahead sooner with the renunciation and as I was not in the Dan group, I was regarded somewhat suspiciously. It was easy to arouse suspicions in camp as there was so much distrust and confusion and propaganda. My Japanese nationality had been renounced at Japanese Consulate in San Francisco and this put me in worse position. I believed it was safer all around for me and family to renounce citizenship.

My parents said that if I did not get the form to renounce that I would be forced to relocate or might be drafted and that if I were in service, then

9(A): (continued)

they would get in trouble with the Japanese government. Mr. Wada talked this way and also others. I ~~was~~ was afraid that if I did not get renunciation over with, that when I was sent to Japan there would be trouble for me there, and also reprisals would be taken against my parents and sisters.

I was the only son in the family and my father told me that I must renounce, that I should not cause break up of the family. I believed that I had to consider our safety while we were in camp or where ever we were sent and since I believed the Government didn't want me or my family here anyway, I believed renunciation was unavoidable.

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September 17, 1957

Mr. Mitsuo Furukawa
Shimada, Inami-cho, Hidaka Gun,
Wakayama-Ken, Japan

Dear Mr. Furukawa:

The affidavit forms you recently returned to me have been examined and compared with the records in my office. The forms appeared to me to be in good order. In consequence, I have delivered them to the U.S. Attorney's office for processing through the Justice Department.

On February 21, 1957, Assistant U.S. Attorney General George C. Doub, assured me that the Department would view renunciants cases with more liberality in granting administrative clearance than heretofore.

Because a fairly large number of affidavits of other renunciants also are being processed it may take several months before a final decision in your case is made by the Justice Department.

Therefore, I suggest that you wait patiently for the decision in your case which I shall relay to you just as soon as I receive information from the Department.

If the Justice Department clears you by this administrative method a judgment cancelling your renunciation and declaring you to be a U.S. citizen will be entered in the mass suits.

If the Justice Department does not clear you by this administrative method, your case then can be set down for an individual court hearing.

Very truly yours,

Wayne M. Collins

P.S. We would thank you to inform us which is your correct birthdate -- July 30, 1919 or July 31, 1919.

FURUKAKA, MITSUO -

Processed 9/17/57

Oct. 10, 1957

Wakayama-Ken, Japan

Dear Mr. Collins,

I am very sorry about my birthday date.
my correct birthday is July 30, 1919.

I thank you for what you have done for me
and still fighting for me.

Very truly yours,
Mitsuo Furukawa

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Lloyd H. Burke, Esquire
United States Attorney
422 Post Office Building
Seventh and Mission Streets
San Francisco 1, California

Re: Mitsuo Furukawa

Your ref: Abo et al v. Brownell et al. Furuya
et al v. Brownell et al. (Consolidated actions -
Civil Nos. 25294 & 25295). Renunciation of
Citizenship, Former Title 8 U.S.C. 801(i).

Dear Mr. Burke:

This is in response to your letter of September 18, 1957,
enclosing an affidavit for a determination as to whether the
case of the above-named renunciant may be considered as coming
within the coverage of the ruling of the Court of Appeals in the
case of Acheson v. Murakami, 176 F.2d, 953, in accordance with a
letter from this Department dated September 21, 1953, to Mr. Wayne M.
Collins.

We have examined the affidavit, together with pertinent
Governmental files and are of the opinion that the case of the
subject affiant may be considered as coming within the ruling of
the Court of Appeals in the above case.

We have informed the Department of State of our present view
by letter, three copies of which are enclosed herewith. If you
disagree with our action please so advise us promptly in order
that we may recall our clearance from the Department of State be-
fore action is taken thereon. If you do not disagree, please
forward two of the copies to Mr. Collins, and enter into the
arrangements necessary to dispose of the case in accordance with
the procedure outlined in the above-mentioned letter of September 21,
1953, as modified by this Department's letter to you dated June 9,
1955. We shall appreciate your forwarding to this office a copy

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of the stipulation and judgment when record entry of the same has been accomplished.

The original and one copy of the subject's affidavit are returned to you herewith.

Yours very truly,

GEORGE COCHRAN DOUB
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Division

By:

Enoch E. Ellison
Chief, Japanese Claims Section

Enclosures:

Original and copy
of affidavit,
Three copies of letter
to Department of State.



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Department of State
Matomic Building
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Miss Frances Knight
Director, Passport Office

Re: Mitsuo Furukawa
Your ref: F-130

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to an agreement entered into with Mr. Wayne M. Collins, Attorney, to stipulate to the introduction of satisfactory affidavits submitted by plaintiffs in the case of McGrath v. Abo, 186 F.2d, 766, as set forth in the Department's letter of September 22, 1953, to the Department of State, we attach affidavit of the above-named renunciant, together with copy of our letter to Lloyd H. Burke, Esquire, United States Attorney, Northern District of California, in which we express the opinion that this subject's case may be considered as coming within the coverage of the ruling of the Court of Appeals in the Murakami case.

A copy of this letter is being forwarded to Mr. Collins, and in accordance with the above agreement, may be presented by the above-named subject in lieu of the usual supplemental affidavit required of renunciant applicants for documentation as American citizens.

Yours very truly,

GEORGE COCHRAN DOUB
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Division

By:

Enoch E. Ellison
Chief, Japanese Claims Section

Enclosures:

Copy of affidavit,
Copy of letter to Lloyd H. Burke, Esquire.

WAYNE M. COLLINS
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San Francisco 4, California

December 3, 1957

Mr. Mitsuo Furukawa
Shimada, Inami-cho,
Hidaka Gun, Wakayama Ken, Japan

Dear Mr. Furukawa:

You have been successful in the administrative remedy pursued in your case. The Justice Department has reached the conclusion that you personally renounced citizenship because of fear, coercion and duress. Therefore, it is willing to withdraw the offer of proof it made against you in the mass class equity suits whereupon a judgment can be entered in your favor in the U.S. District Court cancelling your renunciation on the ground of duress and declaring you to be a citizen of the United States.

As soon as a large enough number of persons have been cleared administratively such a judgment will be entered for you. When the judgment is entered I shall let you know by letter.

I am enclosing a copy of the transmittal letter of the Justice Department (Attorney General) which was sent to the Department of State (Passport Office.) You should take the enclosed copy of the transmittal letter promptly to the United States Consul in Japan nearest you and there apply for a U.S. passport if you have not already done so. The U.S. Consul will issue a U.S. Passport to you which will show on its face that you are a citizen of the United States.

When you receive the U.S. passport from the U.S. Consul you can make your own arrangements to return to the United States. You should write and let me know your U.S. address and the time you expect to return to the United States.

If you have a spouse (wife or husband) who is an alien such person can enter the United States as a "nonquota immigrant" because you are a U.S. citizen. An application can be made to the nearest U.S. Consul in Japan for a nonquota immigrant visa for such spouse.

If your spouse (wife or husband) is a renunciant who does not recover U.S. citizenship administratively through the Justice Department or by court trial, or does not wish

further to try to recover U.S. citizenship, such a spouse, nevertheless, can elect to be an alien and can obtain a non-quota immigrant visa from the nearest U.S. Consul and can return to the U.S. because he or she is the spouse of a U.S. citizen.

If your spouse is an alien or a renunciant who does not recover citizenship but becomes an alien who returns to the United States as a nonquota immigrant he or she here in course of time becomes eligible to apply for naturalization as a U.S. citizen.

It is my conclusion that in due course of time Congress will enact a new law authorizing the return of property or its approximate value to aliens whose property was seized and confiscated during the war under the provisions of the Trading with the Enemy Act.

If you intend to remain in Japan for a while you must be careful not to commit any act whereby you might lose U.S. citizenship. You were informed by me in previous letters of various acts of expatriation whereby a U.S. citizenship can be lost.

If you have dual citizenship you can denounce (renounce) Japanese nationality. This can be done by signing a renunciation form before a Japanese consular officer in the U.S. or before an authorized Japanese Government office in Japan.

Very truly yours,

Wagne M. Collins

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