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ISERI, ALEXANDER REKISANDER

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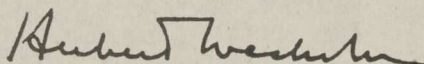
WASHINGTON, D. C.

NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF RENUNCIATION OF UNITED STATES NATIONALITY

To: Alexander Iseri
(born Jan. 3, 1913, Alexander Valley, California)
618-A
Tule Lake Center
Newell, California

You are hereby notified that, pursuant to Section 401(i) of the Nationality Act of 1940, as Amended, and the regulations issued pursuant thereto, your renunciation of United States nationality has been approved by the Attorney General as not contrary to the interests of national defense. Accordingly you are no longer a citizen of the United States of America nor are you entitled to any of the rights and privileges of such citizenship.

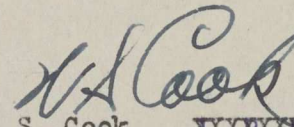
Date: May 3, 1945


Herbert Wechsler
Assistant Attorney General
War Division

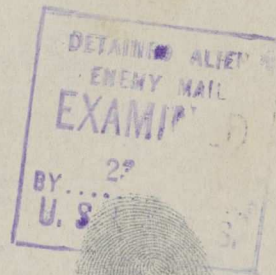
Ft. Lincoln Internment Camp
Bismarck, N. Dak.

Date: 10-22-45

Forwarded.


W. S. Cook
Acting Officer in Charge

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CONFIDENTIAL

Committee No. _____

(For Use Only of My Attorney) Atty. No. _____

Name (type or Print) ALEXANDER (ALEXANDER) ISERI
First Name Middle Name Last Name

Address at present: FT. LINCOLN INT. CAMP. BISMARCK, N. D.

Sex: Male X Female _____

Age: 33 year. Date of birth: Month: JANUARY Day: 3 Year: 1913

Place of birth: City: SANTA ROSA County: SONOMA State: CALIF.

Permanent residence at time of evacuation: 2117 1/2 BUSH STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

Occupation at time of evacuation: ADDRESSO GRAPHER (NEWSPAPER)

Have you dual citizenship? No

Did you ever have dual citizenship? Yes

Did you ever take steps to cancel dual citizenship? Yes

On what date did you sign an application to renounce your citizenship?

JAN 1945

Were you under 21 years of age at that time? No

Were you given a hearing on that application? Yes

Where was the hearing conducted? TULE LAKE CENTER

Did you attend that hearing alone? YES If not, who went with you? _____

Have you received a letter approving your renunciation? YES

If you have, what date does it bear? MAY 3, 1945

On what date did you receive that letter? OCTOBER 22, 1945

(Attach that letter and the envelope it came in to this questionnaire.)

Who signed that letter of approval? HERBERT WUECHSLER

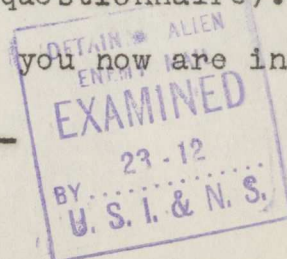
Have you written a letter to Attorney General Tom Clark revoking your renunciation? Yes

What is the date of that letter? JANUARY 16, 1946

(Attach your carbon copy of that letter to this questionnaire).

From what camp were you removed and taken to the camp you now are in?

TULE LAKE CENTER



Have you served in our military forces? NO

If you have, what type of discharge did you receive:

What was your last draft classification? * 3-A

Were you ever classified "4-C"? NO

Did you refused to be drafted? NO

Are your parents U. S. citizens? NO

What are their names? ^{FATHER} HEISHIRO ISERI ^{DEAD} TATSU ISERI ^{MOTHER}

Have they been relocated? YES

Where do they live now? CHICAGO, ILL.

What members of your family are serving or have served in the military forces? NONE

Have you been registered as an "alien" under the Alien Registration Act of 1940? YES When? MAY 1945 Where? FT. LINCOLN INT. CAMP

Did you protest that registration in writing? NO ^{BISMARCK, N.D.}

Have you filed a "non-repatriation" form? YES

When? JANUARY 14, 1946

Are you single or married? MARRIED

What is your wife's name: MASAKO MARY ISERI

What is her present address? 618-A TULF LAKE, CALIF.

Is she a renunciant? YES

Have you any children? YES, ONE

What are their names and where are they living? NAME - ISAMU ISERI

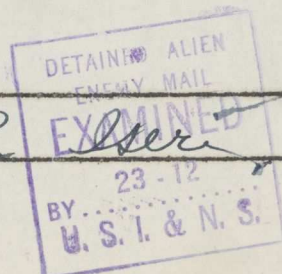
618-A TULF LAKE, CALIF.

Are there any other renunciants in your family? YES Who? WIFE (MASAKO)

The following space is for any remarks you wish to make:

Dated: JANUARY 16, 1946

Alexander R. Iseri
(Name)



BISMARCK, N.D.

JANUARY 16, 1946

HONORABLE TOM CLARK,
Attorney General of the United States,
Department of Justice Building,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

On or about JANUARY, 1945, I signed an application for renunciation of U. S. Nationality at the Tule Lake Center, Newell, Modoc County, California.

I hereby repudiate, withdraw, retract and revoke the said renunciation upon the following grounds and for the following reasons:

(1) The circumstances under which said renunciation form was signed by me did not constitute a fair and impartial hearing and was a denial of my constitutional guaranty of due process of law and of the equal protection of the laws;

(2) I was not a free agent at the time when and the place where said renunciation form was signed but then and there was held in duress and was the victim of fraud, menace, undue influence and mistake of fact and law;

(3) I then and there was and for a period of time prior thereto had been detained in said Tule Lake Center by official authority and was deprived of substantially all my constitutional rights, liberties, privileges and immunities as an American citizen and was treated as though I were an alien enemy and thus was discriminated against solely by reason of the Japanese nationality of my ancestors;

(4) I was intimidated, coerced and compelled to sign said renunciation form by reason of the duress in which I was held by the government and the duress, fraud, menace and undue influence of groups and individuals within said Center, against which the government failed to protect me.

Because of the foregoing reasons the said renunciation was fictitious and is invalid and void.

I am not a citizen or subject of Japan and I do not and never have owed or given that country or nation any allegiance. I am not an alien enemy. I am a native American by birth and by choice. I have no dual citizenship through any act or acceptance upon my individual part.

I demand that you withdraw and set aside the said renunciation form, and the approval thereof if any approval thereof was given.

I am ready and willing to have this matter re-opened and a hearing be granted me in order to prove the said renunciation application was executed under the circumstances above-mentioned when I was not a free agent in any sense of the word but was acting under duress, menace, fraud, undue influence and mistake of fact and law.

I respectfully request your immediate consideration of this urgent matter.

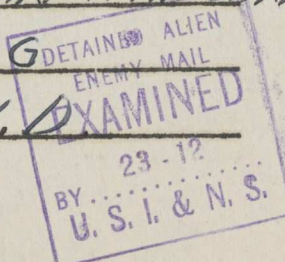
Very truly yours,

Alexander R. Iseri
(Name)

Address: FT. LINCOLN INT. CAMP

Box 300 - 316

BISMARCK, N.D.



Alexander ~~W~~ Iseri,
D 20 B, PO Box 788,
Crystal City, Texas



Mr. Wayne M. Collins,
Mills Tower, 220 Bush Street,
San Francisco 4, Calif.

Business

Alien Internment Camp
Crystal City, Texas
April 25, 1946

HON. TOM CLARK,
Attorney General of the United States,
Department of Justice Building,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Attorney General

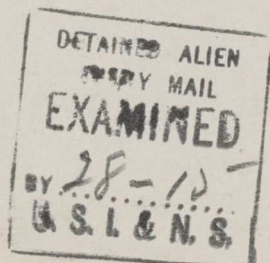
Without waiving any of my constitutional and legal rights asserted by me in Actions Nos. 25234 to 25297, inclusive, now pending in the U. S. District Court for the Northern District of California, at San Francisco, California, and without this request in anywise operating as a bar to said or any actions or as a waiver thereof, I hereby request that the mitigation hearing or examination heretofore given me at the BISMARCK, N.D. to show cause why I should not be deported to Japan by you be re-opened for the introduction of further evidence or that a re-examination or new examination be given me thereon for the following reasons and upon the following grounds:

1. I was not allowed to be represented at said mitigation hearing by counsel of my own choosing or by any counsel whatever;
2. I was given neither the time nor the opportunity to obtain witnesses to appear at said hearing and to testify on my behalf;
3. I was not given time or the opportunity to obtain evidence on my behalf or to submit the same to the hearing officer at said hearing and I was not allowed to subpoena witnesses to appear and testify on my behalf but was arbitrarily summoned to said hearing or examination without any reasonable period of time or any time whatever having been allowed me to prepare for the same;
4. The hearing officer's recommendation made at said examination and the refusal to release me from detention and to restore me to civilian life in this country was based either in whole or in part upon secret data kept in dossiers and files in the possession of the hearing officer and authorities which was not made known to me or exhibited to me but was kept secret from me;
5. The said examination or hearing was arbitrary, unreasonable and oppressive in its brevity, in the manner in which it was conducted and in the circumstances under which it was held;
6. The said examination was not under oath and no witnesses were sworn, and no witnesses appeared and testified against me;
7. The said examination was neither full, complete nor adequate and was neither fair nor impartial: I was given neither the time nor the opportunity to answer any unjust charges that may have been brought against me or unjust suspicions that may have been entertained against me and, in fact, there neither then nor now exists nor was there introduced at said hearing any competent evidence whatever upon which an unfavorable recommendation ought to have been made against me or upon which a refusal to release me from detention properly and legally could be based.

For the foregoing reasons and grounds I request that the said examination or hearing be re-opened for the introduction of additional evidence or that a re-hearing or new hearing or examination be given me.

Very truly yours,

Alexander Iseri
Name.



DATA SHEET

plb
Chicago a/u

Name: ISERI, Alexander Rekisander

Judgment: 6/23/59 Con. U.S.
(Date & kind)

Address: 1835 N. Bissell
Chicago, Ill

MR 7/5/61 Direct Id to

pl/bk 9/8/60
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Card: B 1/3/3 Santa Rosa

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R.A. Isari MR. says
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Sacto. (sure looks as if
it is he)

Address Information:
(Phone bk., C/D, etc.)

1835 N. Bissell
Chicago, Ill. (1952 address)

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ph/bk La SF, Berk
San Mateo, S.J. (R.I. Isari) San Mateo
Alameda
San Jose
La Vie

Letters, contact, judgment
order, etc.:

10/30/61: p/b Chicago - 1846 N. Bissell (phone bk has Bissi)

9/8/60 There is a R. I. Isari
ph/bk 744 West Rincon Ave
Campbell

Payment information, billing:

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Geo. Isari
1232 Wieland St
San Francisco
mo 1-3734

Cross reference:

Ref: C Akabane
Chicago

m: Tatsuo Isari
wife: Masako Mary (Quinn)
son Isamu

try ID
Mrs. Akabane
2390 McQueen St
Berkeley Calif
answered

September 12, 1960

Mr. Alexander Rekisander Iseri
2381 Hooke Way
Sacramento, Calif.

Dear Mr. Iseri:

If you are Mr. Alexander Rekisander Iseri who was born in Santa Rosa, California, on January 3, 1913, and who renounced U.S. citizenship at the Tule Lake Center and thereafter joined the class suit to regain your U.S. citizenship, I would thank you to communicate with me promptly so that arrangement may be made to deliver to you a certified copy of the court order declaring you to be a U.S. citizen. Please send your reply in the enclosed envelope.

Very truly yours,

WMC:ss
Enc: env.

WAYNE M. COLLINS
Attorney at Law
Mills Tower, 220 Bush Street
San Francisco 4, California
GARfield 1-5827

January 31, 1961

answered

Mrs. Akabane
2390 McGee St.
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Akabane:

I would thank you to let me know the present address
of Mr. Alexander Rekisander Iseri
so that final papers concerning his citizenship status
may be transmitted to him. Please use the enclosed card
and self-addressed envelope for your reply to me.

Very truly yours,

W.M. Collins

February 13, 1961

Mr. Alexander Rekisander Iseri
1835 N. Bissell
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Iseri:

If you wish to receive your individual certified copy of the "Final Judgment" of the Court that cancels your wartime renunciation of citizenship and that declares you to be a U.S. citizen, you can obtain it from me by sending to me the \$295.00 balance due on your account. Sometime in the future you may need this document to prove your citizenship, to obtain a passport, to establish your right to vote, in applying for employment, Social Security benefits, various licenses, loyalty checkup, etc. If it presses you too much to pay your balance in a lump sum, you can let me know and arrangements can be made for you to pay the balance by installments. I am enclosing a stamped envelope for your reply.

Very truly yours,

WMC:ss
Enc.