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ESAKI, MINORU

1948-1960

CROSS-REFERENCE

FILE OF: ESAKI, MINORU

LIST: ACTIVE LIST

BORN: Seattle, Wash.

DATE: Nov. 20, 1917

REFER TO FILE: SPECIAL GROUP FILE

LIST: _____

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To Mr. Wayne M. Collins

The undersigned MINORU ESAKI wishes
to be included in the mass suit to restore my United
States citizenship.

Minoru Esaki
Signature

Name Minoru Esaki
Present Address Kuruma - Iwakuni Shi
Yamaguchi Ken, Japan
Date of birth Nov. 20th 1917. Seattle, Washington
Place of citizenship renouncement Tule Lake, California

Note : State whether or not received a letter
of approval on citizenship renunciation from the
Attorney General. have received

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To Mr. Wayne M. Collins

The undersigned SAYO ESAKI wishes
to be included in the mass suit to restore my United
States citizenship.

Sayo Esaki
signature

Name Sayo Esaki
Present Address Kuruma - Iwakuni Shi
Yamaguchi Ken, Japan
Date of birth Jan 19th 1923, San Mateo, Calif.
Place of citizenship renouncement Tule Lake, California

Note : State whether or not received a letter
of approval on citizenship renunciation from the
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WAYNE M. COLLINS
Attorney at Law
Mills Tower, 220 Bush Street
San Francisco 4, California

October 14, 1948

Mr. Minoru Saki
Shimosato, Higashimuro Gun
Wakayama Ken, Japan

Dear Mr. Saki:

On August 23, 1948, you were joined in the suit to cancel your renunciation of U.S. nationality and to restore your American citizenship. However, the Department of Justice informs me that it is unable to locate any record of your application for renunciation or of any approval that issued thereon by the Attorney General.

I would thank you therefore to send me immediately answers to the following questions:

1. Your full name, including middle name (also maiden name, if married woman).
2. Date of birth.
3. Place of birth.
4. Place and approximate date of renunciation.
5. Name under which you renounced.
6. Whether or not you received a letter from the Attorney General, or any of his assistants, approving your renunciation.

If you have such a letter in your possession, I would thank you to send it to me immediately.

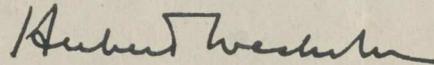
Very truly yours,

NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF RENUNCIATION OF UNITED STATES NATIONALITY

To: Minoru Esaki
(born Nov. 20, 1917, Seattle, Washington)
3304-D
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: December 23, 1944



Herbert Wechsler
Assistant Attorney General
War Division

Minoru Esaki
Kuruma-ku
Iwakuni-shi
Yamaguchi-ken
Honshu, Japan

November 15, 1948

Mr. Wayne M. Collins
Attorney at Law
Mills Tower, 220 Bush St.,
San Francisco 4, Calif.

Dear Mr. Collins:

Thank you very much for the letter of
October 14, 1948. The following are my answers
to your letter:

1. Minoru Esaki.
2. November 20, 1917.
3. Seattle, Washington.
4. Tule Lake Center. December, 1944.
5. Minoru Esaki.
6. I have received the letter of approval
and I am enclosing herewith.

My wife Sayo Esaki (Maiden Name: Sayo Hamasaki)
born on January 19, 1923 at San Mateo, California
also have requested for your legal service to be
joined in the mass suit has not yet receive any
letter from you acknowledging the receipt of her
request. I would appreciate very much if you could
find out and let me know. She also have received a
letter of approval from the Attorney General.

Very truly yours,

Minoru Esaki

November 23, 1948

Mr. Minoru Esaki
Kuruma-ku
Iwakuni-shi
Yamaguchi-ken
Honshu, Japan

Dear Mr. Esaki:

Thank you for your letter of November 15th answering my recent questions. However there appears to be a difference of spelling in your last name which I would like to clarify. I would thank you therefore to answer the following questions:

1. Did you receive my letter as being addressed to you under the name Minoru SAKI ?
2. Did you ever have the address of Shimosato, Higashimuro Gun Wakayama Ken, Japan ?
3. Did you ever communicate with me using the name Minoru SAKI ?

Your wife, Sayo Esaki, nee Hamasaki, was joined in the suit in August of this year and you will find a letter for her enclosed.

Very truly yours,

FILE:
ESAKI, MINORU
ESAKI, SAYO

ESAKI

Minoru Esaki
Kuruma-ku
Iwakuni-shi
Yamaguchi-ken
Honshu, Japan

SAYO ESAKI
nee HAMASAKI

December 24, 1948

Mr. Wayne M. Collins
Attorney at Law
Mills Tower, 220 Bush St.,
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Mr. Collins :

Thank you very much for your letter of
November 23, 1948. The following are my answers
to your questions:

1. Yes, I have received it twice. One
letter which was dated October 5, 1948
and the other one was October 14, 1948.
2. Yes, Shimosato, Higashimuro-gun,
Wakayama-ken is my permanent address.
3. No, I have not communicate with you
using the name of Minoru SAKI except
Minoru Esaki.

Very truly yours,

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

FILE: ESAKI, MINORU

January 5, 1949

AIR MAIL

Mr. Minoru Saki
Shimosato, Higashimuro Gun
Wakayama Ken, Japan

Dear Mr. Saki:

At your request you have been joined as a party plaintiff in the suit to cancel the renunciation and restore citizenship to those who renounced U.S. citizenship at the Tule Lake center or other war relocation centers within the United States during the war.

IT IS URGENT THAT YOU ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IMMEDIATELY. These are the same questions contained in my letter of two months ago and which you have not yet answered.

IF THIS INFORMATION DOES NOT REACH ME BY JANUARY 28, 1949, IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR ME TO DISMISS YOUR NAME FROM THE SUIT, and thereafter join you in a further suit, if requested.

1. Your full name, including middle name (also maiden name, if married woman).
2. Date of birth.
3. Place of birth.
4. Place and approximate date of renunciation.
5. NAME UNDER WHICH YOU RENOUNCED.
6. Whether or not you received a letter from the Attorney General approving your renunciation. If you have such a letter in your possession, I would thank you to send it to me by air mail.

IF YOU DID NOT RENOUNCE YOUR CITIZENSHIP IN THE UNITED STATES, I WOULD THANK YOU TO SO INFORM ME AT ONCE.

Very truly yours,

REPLY AIR MAIL

WAYNE M. COLLINS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
MILLS TOWER, 220 BUSH STREET
SAN FRANCISCO 4, CALIFORNIA

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Désaccord,
sans Laisser l'adresse,
~~Adresse Insuffisante,~~

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Mr. Minoru Esaki
Kuruma Kawashimo, Iwakuni-shi
Yamaguchi-ken
Japan

7/9/59

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WAYNE M. COLLINS
Attorney At Law
Mills Tower, 220 Bush Street
SAN FRANCISCO 4, CALIFORNIA

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June 30, 1959

Shoru Esaki
Kawashimo, Iwakuni-shi
Yamaguchi-ken

Mr. Esaki:

A final order, judgment and decree has been entered in the U.S. District Court in San Francisco, California, declaring you to be a United States citizen. You should apply to the nearest U.S. Consul in Japan for a U.S. passport if you have not already done so.

I suggest that you let me know your U.S. address so that upon your return to the United States, provision can be made for the delivery to you of a certified copy of the judgment proving your U.S. citizenship.

Very truly yours,

Wayne M. Collins

WMC/ss

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Mr. Minoru E~~o~~saki
212 N. Humboldt St.
San Mateo, Calif.

Balance \$275
Billed 11 times
J.O. in office

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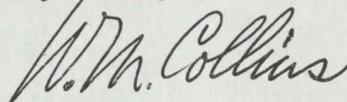
August 19, 1960

Mr. Minoru Esaki
212 N. Humboldt St.
San Mateo, Calif.

Dear Mr. Esaki:

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 \$275.00 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,



Enc.

WAYNE M. COLLINS
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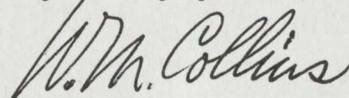
August 29, 1960

Mr. Minoru Esaki
212 N. Humboldt St.
San Mateo, Calif.

Dear Mr. Esaki:

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 \$475.00 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,



Enc.

Please disregard our letter of August 19, 1960. This letter is a corrected letter of August 19, 1960.

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 ESAKI MINORU		Date of Birth 20th, NOV. 1919	
2. If born prior to December 1, 1924	(A) Have you ever renounced Japanese nationality?	When	Where
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? YES		
If so, did you thereafter renounce your Japanese nationality?	When	Where	
NO			
4. State periods of visits to Japan and purpose of each visit:			
Date		Purpose	
From	To		
1922	AUG. 1933	JAPANESE EDUCATION.	
JAN. 1946	PRESENT.	RETURNED WITH MY FATHER WHO WAS SICK.	
5. Give details concerning any formal education in Japan:			
School		Period of Attendance	
SHIMIZATO JINJO KOTO SHOGAKKO WAKAYAMA KEN.		From APRIL 1925	To MARCH 1933.
SHIMIZATO CHYO HIGASHI, MUROGUN.			
Specify subjects studied (attach additional sheet if necessary).			
I ATTENDED ONLY JAPANESE PRIMARY SCHOOL.			
6. Have you ever made application for repatriation to Japan? YES If so, give date 1942 , and your reasons for so applying:			
MY FATHER MADE APPLICATION FOR REPATRIATION TO JAPAN, I WAS INCLUDED IN HIS ACTIVITIES AS A MEMBER OF HIS FAMILY.			
7. (A) Have you ever expressly indicated that you would not swear unqualified allegiance to the United States? YES		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? YES If so, give your reasons:			
I AND MY WIFE WERE DESIRE TO RETURN TO JAPAN, BECAUSE MY FATHER WAS SICK: WE MUST LOOKED AFTER OUR FATHER.			
(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? NO If so, state when you changed your mind and your reasons therefor:			

(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:

WITHOUT ANY KNOWLEDGE WE WERE SENT TO IN WAR RELOCATION CENTER WHERE WE WERE POSTON, ARIZONA.

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)		NO	
Central Japanese Association (Beikoku Chuo Nipponjin Kai)		NO	
Central Japanese Association of Southern California		NO	
Dai Nippon Butoku Kai (Military Virtue Society of Japan or Military Art Society of Japan) (Hokubei Kai)		NO	
Heimuska Kai, also known as Hokubei Heieki Gimusha Kai Zaibei Nihonjin, Heiyaku Gimusha Kai, and		NO	
Zaibei Heimusha Kai (Japanese residing in American Military Conscripts Assoc.) Heimusha Kai		NO	
Hinode Kai (Imperial Japanese Reservists)		NO	
Hinomaru Kai (Rising Sun Flag Society—a Group of Japanese War Veterans)		NO	
Hokubei Zaigo Shoko Dan (North American Reserve Officers Association)		NO	
Japanese Association of America (Zaibei Nihonjin Kai)		NO	
Japanese Overseas Central Society (Kaigai Dobo Chuo Kai)		NO	
Japanese Overseas Convention, Tokyo, Japan, 1940		NO	
Japanese Protective Association (Recruiting Organization)		NO	
Jikyoku Iin Kai (Current Affairs Association)		NO	
Kibe Seinen Kai (Association of U. S. Citizens of Japanese Ancestry who have returned to America after studying in Japan)		NO	
Nanka Teikoku Gunyudan (Imperial Military Friends Group or Southern California War Veterans)		NO	
Nichibei Kogyo Kaisha (The Great Fujii Theatre)		NO	
Northwest Japanese Association		NO	
Sakura Kai (Patriotic Society or Cherry Association—composed of Veterans of Russo-Japanese War) (Cherry Blossom Society)		NO	
Shinto Temples		NO	
Sokoku Kai (Fatherland Society)		NO	
Suiko Sha (Reserve Officers Association Los Angeles)		NO	
Hokoku Seinen-Dan	YR OF 1945	YES	About 1 yr
Hokoku Joshi Seinen-Dan		NO	
Sokoku Kenkyu Seinen-Dan		NO	
Sokuji Kikoku Hoshi-Dan		NO	

(B) Give reasons for becoming a member:

BY INVITATION OF HOKOKU SEINEN-DAN. I BECAME A MEMBER.

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

I WAS A COMMON MEMBER, AND, I JUST FOLLOWED THE OTHERS.

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

NO

(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:

NO

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

NO

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

RIGHT AFTER MY FATHER DIED. I REALIZED THAT THIS COUNTRY OF JAPAN IS NOT BELONG TO US. BECAUSE MY WIFE AND CHILDRENS ARE DESIRE TO RETURN TO UNITED STATES.

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

NO

(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:

NO

(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:

NO

(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:

NO

(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.

NO

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

BECAUSE MY FATHER WAS SICK.

(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:

NO

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.

NO

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

NO

(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.

NO

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:

NO

Relationship

Name

Branch of Service

Serial Number

Esaki Minoru

(Signature in full of applicant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20 day of JUNE, 1955

Questionnaire
to be sent

to Esaki, Minoru

to Esaki, Sayo,

Mrs.

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