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YANAGITANI, MARY TERUKO

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TO MR. WAYNE M. COLLINS:

The undersigned, YANAGITANI, MARY TERUKO, wishes to be included in the mass suit to restore my United States citizenship.

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8/1/68 Mary Teruko Yanagitani
Signature

Name Yanagitani, Mary Teruko

Present address Denjubara, Oya mura, Aki gun, Hiroshima prefecture, Japan.

Date of birth November 28 1926

Place of birth Puente California

Place of citizenship renouncement Tule Lake Relocation Center.

I have received a letter of approval of citizenship renunciation from the Attorney General.

Sent in with Katsuyoshi's and Noboru Yanagitani

Sent form letter J2
12/28/49

Kure, Japan
Sept. 10, 1949

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Mr. Thayne M. Collins
Attorney at Law
326 Mills Bush St.,
San Francisco, Calif.

Mary Yonagitani
of Hiroshima
form 11/28/49
to 12/28/49

Dear Sir,

A few weeks ago I read in a newspaper
that a United States Court granted citizenship
again to all Japanese who renounced their
citizenship during the war. I would
like to know how that will affect me.

If it is at all possible, I would like to
regain my citizenship so that I may return
to the United States as soon as possible. I
would duply appreciate if you could inform
me as to my status, and if I can regain
my American citizenship.

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My address as follows:
Miss Mary Yonagitani
c/o Gpl. Jerry V. Bihl DA-15249233
Hiroshima Civil Affairs Team
APO 248 c/o P.M.
San Francisco, Calif.

Sincerely yours,
Mary Yonagitani

WAYNE M. COLLINS
Attorney at Law
Mills Tower, 220 Bush Street
San Francisco 4, California
December 28, 1949

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Miss Mary Teruko Yanagitani
c/o Cpl. J. U. Bihl, RA - 15249233
Hiroshima Civil Affairs Team
APO 248 c/o PM
San Francisco, California

Dear Miss Yanagitani:

The judgment of the U. S. District Court cancelling your renunciation and declaring you to be a citizen was entered on April 12, 1949. The judgment enjoins the government and its consular agents from depriving you of any of the rights of citizenship. The government has appealed the case to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals where it probably will be decided about March, 1950. Until then, the Attorney General and the Secretary of State and his consular officers probably will deny renunciants in Japan clearance to return to the United States although the judgment forbids them from so doing.

The Attorney General and the Secretary of State have decided upon a policy of handling cases of renunciants in Japan and elsewhere who are not now in the mass suits. As to any such renunciant not now protected by the mass suits the policy is as follows: if such a person files an individual lawsuit to have his nationality determined in a U. S. District Court in the United States and thereupon fills out an affidavit form which will be supplied by the consul and states therein the reason why he or she renounced and the Attorney General's records contain nothing against such a person, the Attorney General will stipulate in court that the renunciation may be cancelled. However, if the Attorney General's records contain anything against the applicant, such a renunciant applicant will have to carry on the lawsuit at his or her own expense.

No renunciant who is already in the mass equity suits should file any such affidavit with any consul or with the Attorney General under any circumstances whatever. If anyone who is already in the mass equity suits and so protected thereby files any such affidavit the Attorney General may try to use the same against him or her on the appeal now pending in the Circuit Court. As it stands the judgment in favor of the renunciants in the mass suits prevents the government and its agents from introducing any additional facts against any of them.

Very truly yours,

Wayne M. Collins

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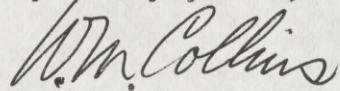
September 29, 1960

Mrs. Mary Teruko Yanagitani Bihl
508 N. New Hampshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Bihl:

Quite some time ago you received from me your individual certified copy of the "Final Judgment" of the Court that cancelled your wartime renunciation of citizenship and that declared you to be a U. S. citizen. However, you have not yet paid the balance of \$300.00 due on your account. If it presses you too much to pay this balance in a lump sum, you can let me know and arrangements can be made for you to pay by installments. I am enclosing a stamped envelope for your reply.

Very truly yours,



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