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COUNTY CLERK

Anderson, Texas

July 7, 1976

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Grimes County, Texas

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No. 5 101

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of New York } In the Eastern Court
County of Orange } ss: of Orange County, N.Y.

John E. Camp, aged 25 years,
occupation Candy Maker, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion Fair, height 5 feet 6 inches,
weight 145 pounds, color of hair Black, color of eyes Blue,
other visible distinctive marks Full face - Heavy hands - thumb nail

I was born in Italy,
on the sixth day of February, anno Domini 1886; I now reside
at Orange County, N.Y.

I emigrated to the United States of America from Italy
on the vessel Tarantula; my last
(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of transportation or name of transportation company should be given.)
foreign residence was Italy; I am not married; the name
of my wife is _____; she was born at _____

and now resides at _____

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Constitution
Italy, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of New York, in the
State of New York, on or about the 15th day
of September, anno Domini 1912; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

John E. Camp
(original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 6 day of August, anno Domini 1912

[SEAL]

J. M. [Signature]
Clerk of the Eastern Court.

By _____ Clerk.

No. 103

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

In the District Court
of Grimes County Texas

I, John Knoll, aged 55 years,
occupation Farmer, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion Dark, height 5 feet 4 inches,
weight 135 pounds, color of hair Black, color of eyes Blue
other visible distinctive marks none

I was born in Rosen Germany
on the 30 day of May, anno Domini 1864. I now reside
at Richards Grimes County Texas

I emigrated to the United States of America from Rosen Germany
on the vessel unknown; my last

foreign residence was Rosen Germany; I am un married; the name
of my wife is Josifa; she was born at Rosen Germany
and now resides at Richards Grimes County Texas

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to

Empire of Germany, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of New York, in the
State of New York, on or about the 12 day

of November, anno Domini 1876; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith

to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

John Knoll
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 2 day of September, anno Domini 1917

[SEAL]

G. W. White
Clerk of the District Court.

By _____ Clerk.

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has is 3 and should be 2

No. 103

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

In the District Court
of Grimes County Texas

I, Stasch Nowak, aged 43 years,
occupation Farmer, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion light, height 5 feet 7 inches,
weight 135 pounds, color of hair light, color of eyes Blue
other visible distinctive marks none

I was born in Germany
on the 15th day of November, anno Domini 1876; I now reside
at Auduson Grimes County Texas

I emigrated to the United States of America from Germany
on the vessel Kaiser Wilhelm; my last

foreign residence was Germany; I am un married; the name
of my wife is Hannie Nowak; she was born at Grimes County Texas
and now resides at Auduson Grimes County Texas

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to

Empire of Germany, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of Galveston Texas, in the
State of Texas, on or about the 4th day

of May, anno Domini 1890; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith

to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Stasch Nowak
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 3 day of September, anno Domini 1917

[SEAL]

G. W. White
Clerk of the District Court.

By _____ Clerk.

No. 104

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas }
County of Grimes } ss: In the District Court
of Grimes County Texas

I, Pete Snow, aged 37 years,
occupation Farmer, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion Dark, height 5 feet 7 inches,
weight 140 pounds, color of hair Black, color of eyes Gray,
other visible distinctive marks None

I was born in Germany
on the 1st day of May, anno Domini 1850; I now reside
at Richards Grimes County Texas

I emigrated to the United States of America from Germany
on the vessel Unknown; my last
foreign residence was Germany; I am married; the name
of my wife is Stella Snow; she was born at Chappel Hill Texas

and now resides at Richards Grimes County Texas
It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Emperor of
Germany, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of New York, in the
State of New York, on or about the 10 day
of April, anno Domini 1877; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Pete Snow
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 5 day of September, anno Domini 1917

[SEAL]

J. M. Webb
Clerk of the District Court.

By _____ Clerk.

No. 105

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas }
County of Grimes } ss: In the District Court
of Grimes County Texas

I, Sam Buss, aged 51 years,
occupation Farmer, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion Fair, height 5 feet 11 inches,
weight 145 pounds, color of hair Light, color of eyes Brown,
other visible distinctive marks none

I was born in Germany
on the 14th day of October, anno Domini 1867; I now reside
at Anderson Grimes County Texas

I emigrated to the United States of America from Germany
on the vessel Frankford; my last
foreign residence was Wengrowic; I am married; the name
of my wife is Mary Buss; she was born at Anderson Texas

and now resides at Anderson Grimes County Texas
It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Emperor of
Germany, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of Galveston, in the
State of Texas, on or about the 20 day
of November, anno Domini 1875; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Sam Buss
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 15 day of Sept, anno Domini 1917

[SEAL]

J. M. Webb
Clerk of the District Court.

By _____ Clerk.

No. 85-106

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas } In the District Court
County of Grimes } ss: of Grimes County, Texas

Ben Silberstein, aged 27 years,
occupation Fruit Dealer, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color white, complexion Blond, height 5 feet 5 inches,
weight 130 pounds, color of hair Light, color of eyes Grey
other visible distinctive marks none

I was born in Siedlitz Poland
on the 15 day of April, anno Domini 1893; I now reside
at Navasota Grimes County Texas
(Give number, street, city or town, and State)

I emigrated to the United States of America from Bremen Germany
on the vessel Frankfort; my last
foreign residence was Liberias Pallatine; I am un married; the name
of my wife is Fannie Silberstein; she was born at Pilachne Walonsk
and now resides at Navasota Texas

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Padruski the
President of Poland, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of Galveston, in the
State of Texas, on or about the 16 day
of September, anno Domini 1910; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Ben Silberstein
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 4 day of Sept, anno Domini 1920

[SEAL]

J. M. Webb
Clerk of the District Court.

By _____ Clerk.

No. 85-107

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas } In the District Court
County of Grimes } ss: of Grimes County

Stash Sechelski, aged 70 years,
occupation Farmer, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color white, complexion Fair, height 5 feet 7 inches,
weight 155 pounds, color of hair Light, color of eyes Blue
other visible distinctive marks none

I was born in Gonsawa, Poland
on the 10th day of April, anno Domini 1851; I now reside
at Anderson, Grimes County, Texas
(Give number, street, city or town, and State)

I emigrated to the United States of America from Bremen, Germany
on the vessel unknown; my last
foreign residence was Gonsawa, Poland. I am un married; the name
of my wife is Mary Sechelska she was born at Sembow, Poland
and now resides at Anderson, Grimes County, Texas

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Padruski the
President of Poland, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of New York, in the
State of New York, on or about the 18th day
of April, anno Domini 1881; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Stash Sechelski
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 26 day of Mar, anno Domini 1921

[SEAL]

J. K. Mason
Clerk of the District Court.

By Mrs. M. F. Wilson Dept. Clerk.

No. 77 108

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas } In the District Court
County of Grimes } ss: of Grimes County

I, John M. Ciesielski, aged 43 years,
occupation Farmer, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color white, complexion light, height 5 feet 5 inches,
weight 140 pounds, color of hair light, color of eyes gray
other visible distinctive marks _____

I was born in Waklo, Poland
on the 3 day of May, anno Domini 1878; I now reside
at Anderson, Grimes County, Texas
(Give number, street, city or town, and State)

I emigrated to the United States of America from Bremen, Germany
on the vessel unknown; my last
(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of conveyance or name of transportation company should be given)
foreign residence was Warsaw, Poland; I am _____ married; the name
of my wife is Laura Ciesielski; she was born at Plantersville, Texas
and now resides at Anderson, Grimes County, Texas

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Radzinski, the
President of Poland, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of New York in the
State of New York, on or about the 15th day
of April, anno Domini 1881; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

John M. Ciesielski
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 26 day of May, anno Domini 1901

[SEAL]

J. F. Mason
Clerk of the District Court.

By Mrs. M. K. Hilson Clerk.

No. 77 109

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas } In the District Court
County of Grimes } ss: of Grimes County

I, Mary Shibley, aged 40 years,
occupation Merchant, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color white, complexion Dark, height 5 feet 2 inches,
weight 170 pounds, color of hair Black, color of eyes Black
other visible distinctive marks _____

I was born in Hadth, Syria
on the 13 day of June, anno Domini 1881; I now reside
at Narasota, Grimes County, Texas
(Give number, street, city or town, and State)

I emigrated to the United States of America from 15 growth, Syria
on the vessel unknown; my last
(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of conveyance or name of transportation company should be given)
foreign residence was Hadth, Syria; I am _____ married; the name
of my ~~wife~~ husband is Joe Shibley; he was born at Hadth, Syria
and now resides at unknown

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to France Republic
Sultan of Turkey, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of New York in the
State of New York, on or about the 1 day
of July, anno Domini 1902; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Mary Shibley
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 23 day of June, anno Domini 1901

[SEAL]

J. F. Mason
Clerk of the District Court.

By Mrs. M. K. Hilson Deputy Clerk.

No. 4-110

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas } In the District Court
County of Grimes } ss: of Grimes County

I, Andrew Erick, aged 47 years,
occupation Farming, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion Dark, height 5 feet 5 inches,
weight 137 pounds, color of hair Dark, color of eyes Gray
other visible distinctive marks None

I was born in Odessa, Russia
on the 6 day of December, anno Domini 1873; I now reside
at Plantersville, Grimes County, Texas
(Give number, street, city or town, and State)

I emigrated to the United States of America from Bremen, Germany
on the vessel Verona
(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of conveyance or name of transportation company should be given); my last
foreign residence was Odessa, Russia; I am un married; the name
of my wife is Teressa; she was born at Nick, Hungary

and now resides at Plantersville, Grimes County, Texas.
It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Russia or any independ-
ant state within the bounds of the former Russian Empire of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of New York, in the
State of New York, on or about the 11 day
of October, anno Domini 1900; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Andrew Erick
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 8 day of October, anno Domini 1901

[SEAL]

L. K. Mason
Clerk of the District Court.
By Mrs. M. K. Ellison, Deputy Clerk.

No. 40-111

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas } In the District Court
County of Grimes } ss: of Grimes County

I, Andrew J. Goras, aged 30 years,
occupation Confectionery, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion Dark, height 5 feet 7 inches,
weight 200 pounds, color of hair Black, color of eyes Brown
other visible distinctive marks None

I was born in Corona, Greece
on the 30 day of November, anno Domini 1891; I now reside
at Nansota, Grimes County, Texas
(Give number, street, city or town, and State)

I emigrated to the United States of America from Salonta, Greece
on the vessel Panonia
(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of conveyance or name of transportation company should be given); my last
foreign residence was Solonos, Greece; I am un married; the name
of my wife is _____; she was born at _____

and now resides at _____
It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Greece or any independent
State within bounds of the former Greek Empire of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of New York, in the
State of New York, on or about the 24 day
of May, anno Domini 1914; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Andrew J. Goras
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 30 day of Jan, anno Domini 1912

[SEAL]

J. K. Mason
Clerk of the District Court.
By Mrs. M. K. Ellison, Deputy Clerk.

No. H. 112

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas In the District Court
County of Grimes ss: of Grimes County

William Schroeder, aged 52 years,
occupation Farming, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color white, complexion light, height 5 feet 6 inches,
weight 150 pounds, color of hair gray, color of eyes blue
other visible distinctive marks none

I was born in Dielingen Germany
on the 12 day of November, anno Domini 1869. I now reside
at Anderson, Grimes County Texas
(Give number, street, city or town, and State)

I emigrated to the United States of America from Bremen, Germany
on the vessel unknown Braunschweig; my last
(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of transportation or name of transportation company should be given)
foreign residence was Dielingen Germany; I am 1 married; the name
of my wife is Mary; she was born at Germany
and now resides at Anderson, Grimes County, Texas

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to

Emperor of Germany, of whom I am now a subject;
I arrived at the port of Galveston, in the
State of Texas, on or about the 21 day
of December, anno Domini 1881; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Wm Schroeder
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 6 day of April, anno Domini 1902

[SEAL]

J. K. Mason
Clerk of the District Court.
By Mrs. M. H. Henson, Deputy Clerk.

No. H. 113

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas In the District Court
County of Grimes ss: of Grimes County

Jacob Mock, aged 40 years,
occupation Farming, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion dark, height 5 feet 4 inches,
weight 135 pounds, color of hair Dark, color of eyes Brown
other visible distinctive marks

I was born in Russia
on the 28 day of August, anno Domini 1881; I now reside
at Plantersville, Texas
(Give number, street, city or town, and State)

I emigrated to the United States of America from Russia
on the vessel unknown; my last
(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of transportation or name of transportation company should be given)
foreign residence was Russia; I am 1 married; the name
of my wife is Margeline; she was born at Russia
and now resides at Plantersville, Texas

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to

Emperor of
Russia, of whom I am now a subject;
I arrived at the port of New York, in the
State of New York, on or about the 11 day
of November, anno Domini 1900; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Jacob Mock
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 27 day of July, anno Domini 1902

[SEAL]

J. K. Mason
Clerk of the District Court.
By Mrs. M. H. Henson, Deputy Clerk.

No. 73 114

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas } In the District Court
County of Grimes } ss: of Grimes

I, Martin Gottselig, aged 46 years,
occupation Farmer, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion Dark, height 5 feet 4 inches,
weight 143 pounds, color of hair Brown, color of eyes Blue
other visible distinctive marks None

I was born in Russia
on the 25 day of May, anno Domini 1874. I now reside
at Plantersville, Grimes County Texas
(Give number, street, city or town, and state)

I emigrated to the United States of America from Russia
on the vessel Unknown: my last

(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of conveyance or name of transportation company should be given.)
foreign residence was Russia: I am un married; the name
of my wife is Anne Mary; she was born at Odeop, Russia

and now resides at Plantersville, Grimes County Texas
It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to

Emperor of Russia, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of Galveston, in the
State of Texas, on or about the 4 day
of June, anno Domini 1891; I am not an anarchist; I am not a

polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Martin Gottselig
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 31 day of Jan, anno Domini 1923

[SEAL]

J. M. Mason
Clerk of the District Court.
By Mrs. M. H. Wilson, Deputy Clerk.

No. 94 115

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas } In the District Court
County of Grimes } ss: of Grimes

I, Ben Troll, aged 59 years,
occupation Farmer, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion Dark, height 5 feet 4 inches,
weight 132 pounds, color of hair Dark, color of eyes Gray
other visible distinctive marks None

I was born in Poland
on the 25 day of July, anno Domini 1863. I now reside
at Richards, Grimes County, Texas
(Give number, street, city or town, and state)

I emigrated to the United States of America from Poznan Poland
on the vessel Unknown: my last
(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of conveyance or name of transportation company should be given.)
foreign residence was Poland: I am un married; the name

of my wife is Kathleen; she was born at Logans Prairie, Texas
and now resides at Richards, Grimes County, Texas

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to The Republic of
Poland, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of New York, in the
State of New York, on or about the 1 day
of November, anno Domini 1889; I am not an anarchist; I am not a

polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Ben Troll
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 14 day of Feb, anno Domini 1923

[SEAL]

J. M. Mason
Clerk of the District Court.
By Mrs. M. H. Wilson, Deputy Clerk.

No. 95-116

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas } In the District Court
County of Grimes } ss: of Grimes County, Texas

Steve Kroll, aged 51 years,
occupation Farmer, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion Fair, height 5 feet 7 inches,
weight 145 pounds, color of hair Gray, color of eyes Blue
other visible distinctive marks None

I was born in Poland
on the 28 day of Sept., anno Domini 1872. I now reside
at Richards, Grimes County, Texas

I emigrated to the United States of America from Poland
on the vessel Unknown; my last
foreign residence was Poland; I am un married; the name
of my wife is Lizzie Kroll; she was born at Plantersville, Texas
and now resides at Richards, Texas

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to President of Poland, of whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of Galveston, Texas in the
State of Texas, on or about the 28th day
of September, anno Domini 1878; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Steve Kroll
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 24 day of March, anno Domini 1904

[SEAL]

J. L. Mason
Clerk of the District Court.
By Mrs. M. K. Hipson, Deputy Clerk.

No. 96-117

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

State of Texas } In the District Court
County of Grimes } ss: of Grimes County, Texas

Mike Kovis, aged 38 years,
occupation Farmer, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion Fair, height 5 feet 4 inches,
weight 180 pounds, color of hair Brown, color of eyes Blue
other visible distinctive marks None

I was born in Odessa, Russia
on the 5th day of May, anno Domini 1865; I now reside
at Plantersville, Grimes County, Texas

I emigrated to the United States of America from Bremen, Germany
on the vessel Unknown; my last
foreign residence was Russia; I am un married; the name
of my wife is Lera Kovis; she was born at Odessa, Russia
and now resides at Plantersville, Grimes County, Texas

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Russia or any Ruffian
ant State within bounds former Russian, in whom I am now a subject;

I arrived at the port of Galveston, Texas in the
State of Texas, on or about the 1st day
of December, anno Domini 1887; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

M. Kovis
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 1 day of April, anno Domini 1904

[SEAL]

J. L. Mason
Clerk of the District Court.
By Mrs. M. K. Hipson, Deputy Clerk.

No. _____

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

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ss: _____ In the _____ Court
of _____

I, _____, aged _____ years,
occupation _____, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color _____, complexion _____, height _____ feet _____ inches,
weight _____ pounds, color of hair _____, color of eyes _____,
other visible distinctive marks _____

I was born in _____
on the _____ day of _____, anno Domini 19____; I now reside
at _____
(Give number, street, city, town, and State)

I emigrated to the United States of America from _____
on the vessel _____; my last
(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of transportation company should be given)
foreign residence was _____; I am _____ married; the name
of my wife is _____; she was born at _____

and now resides at _____
It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to _____

of whom I am now a subject;
I arrived at the port of _____, in the
State of _____, on or about the _____ day
of _____, anno Domini 19____; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:

SO HELP ME GOD.

(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this _____ day of _____, anno Domini 19____

[SEAL]

By _____ Clerk of the _____ Court.
By _____ Clerk.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR GRIMES COUNTY, TEXAS.

ORDER

In the Matter of
Naturalization Proceedings.

[SEAL]

IT appearing that there are but aliens residing within the jurisdiction
of the Court, and that the United States District Court for this district
is exercising jurisdiction in naturalization proceedings, it is hereby
ORDERED that from and after the date hereof, the filing of declarations
of intention and petitions for naturalization in this Court shall be discontinued,
it is further

ORDERED that the clerk of this Court will inter this order of record
in the Court minutes and that he will attach a duly certified or attested
copy hereof to the first blank unused page in the declaration of intention
and petition for naturalization volums and forward a certified copy to the
District Director of Naturalization, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington,
D.C., and it is further

ORDERED that the clerk of the Court shall forward all naturalization
forms and blanks, together with the declaration of intention, petition for
naturalization and certificate of naturalization sent to the District Director
of naturalization, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, D.C., for cancellation
of the unused pages thereof and the return of such books to the office of
this Court, for retention as permanent records.

Dated Feb 11th 1925

Carl T. Harper, Judge of the 18th Judicial District of Texas.

5 561 - CERTIFICATE OF TRUE COPY

The State of Texas

County of Grimes
of the District Court of

In the Matter of Naturalization
Proceedings.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL, this 11th day of Feb. A. D. 1925

P. A. Arke
Clerk

P. A. Arke
Clerk District Court Grimes

is a true and correct copy of the original.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

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No. _____
In the _____ Court
of _____

ss: _____, aged _____ years,
occupation _____, do declare on oath that my personal
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weight _____ pounds, color of hair _____, color of eyes _____,
other visible distinctive marks _____

I was born in _____ day of _____, anno Domini 1_____: I now reside
at _____
(Give number, street, city or town, and State)

I emigrated to the United States of America from _____
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(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of transportation or name of transportation company should be given)
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prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to _____

of whom I am now a subject:
I arrived at the port of _____, in the
State of _____, on or about the _____ day

of _____, anno Domini 1_____: I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this _____ day of _____, anno Domini 191____

[SEAL]

By _____ Clerk of the _____ Court.
By _____ Clerk.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR GRIMES COUNTY, TEXAS.

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Cerl T. Harper, Judge of the 18th Judicial District of Texas.

The State of Texas

County of _____
Grimes
of the District Court of
is a true and correct copy of the original
Proceedings.

R. A. Arke
Clerk

In the Matter of Naturalization
County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing

now on file in said Court in Cause No. _____
Texas,

R. A. Arke
Clerk District Court Grimes
Grimes
Cal., Texas.
Deputy

Feb 28 1925
A. B. 1925



[SEAL]

By _____ Clerk of the _____ Court.
By _____ Clerk.

No. _____

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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_____ ss: In the _____ Court
_____ of _____

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I was born in _____
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at _____

I emigrated to the United States of America from _____
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prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to _____

_____, of whom I am now a subject
I arrived at the port of _____, in the
State of _____, on or about the _____ day
of _____, anno Domini 1_____: I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this _____ day of _____, anno Domini 191

[SEAL]

By _____ Clerk.
Clerk of the _____ Court.



PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO:
Mrs. Victor O. Cook
Corpus Christi, Texas

County Clerk,
Grimes County,
Anderson, Texas

Dear Sir:

Mr. Wm. M. Wissman of Taft, Texas, has made application
for Old Age Assistance and since Mr. Wissman is foreign -
born it is necessary to establish his American citizen-
ship.

Mr. Wissman tells us that his father, Wm. M. Wissman, took
out citizenship papers in Grimes County about the year
1884. Will you please look among your records of this date
and inform me if this entry appears?

Very truly yours,
Mrs. Victor O. Cook
Mrs. Victor O. Cook,
Investigator, T.O.A.A.

By _____ Clerk.

End

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TRINSTON HARRIS
COUNTY CLERK

Anderson, Texas

July 7, 1976

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK:

I, TRINSTON HARRIS, COUNTY CLERK of Grimes County, Texas do hereby give permission to Tony Reilly, who is filming our records in behalf of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 50 East North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84150. He is to film the records in the County Clerk's office in Anderson, Texas.

Persons desiring certified copies of these records may write to Trinston Harris, County Clerk of Grimes County, P. O. Box 209, Grimes County Courthouse, Anderson, Texas 77830.

Trinston Harris
TRINSTON HARRIS, COUNTY CLERK
Grimes County, Texas

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