

**SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVIT TO BE SUBMITTED
 WITH APPLICATIONS OF JAPANESE "RENUNCIANTS"**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF AFFIDAVIT

Submit affidavit in **DUPLICATE**. The 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 JITSUSHIGE TSUHA, aka JITSUSHIGE TSUHA DATE OF BIRTH Sept. 27, 1915
 (Rev. Kenjitsu Tsuha, ordained Buddhist priest)

2. IF BORN PRIOR TO DECEMBER 1, 1924: (A) HAVE YOU EVER RENOUNCED JAPANESE NATIONALITY? WHEN WHERE

3. IF BORN ON OR AFTER DECEMBER 1, 1924: (A) WAS YOUR NAME EVER REGISTERED WITH A JAPANESE CONSULATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF RESERVING YOUR JAPANESE NATIONALITY? No

IF SO, DID YOU THEREAFTER RENOUNCE YOUR JAPANESE NATIONALITY? WHEN WHERE BEFORE WHOM

4. STATE PERIODS OF VISITS TO JAPAN AND PURPOSE OF EACH VISIT:

DATE		PURPOSE
FROM	TO	
1919 (?)	1932 (?)	Was sent to Okinawa to be raised by grandparents due to death of Mother.
1934	1938	To attend Toyo (Seminary) University, Tokyo

5. GIVE DETAILS CONCERNING ANY FORMAL EDUCATION IN JAPAN:

School	PERIOD OF ATTENDANCE	
	FROM	TO
Osato Elem. School, Okinawa	1921	1927
Naha Commercial School, Okinawa	1927	1932
Toyo University (Seminary), Tokyo	1934	1938

SPECIFY SUBJECTS STUDIED (Attach additional sheet if necessary)
 Naha Commercial School - general business subjects.
 Toyo University - Buddhism (Ordained Buddhist Priest); study here included study of other world religions

6. HAVE YOU EVER MADE APPLICATION FOR REPATRIATION TO JAPAN? Yes IF SO GIVE DATE about 12/26/44 YOUR REASONS FOR SO APPLYING:
 Around 2:00 A.M., on or around December 26, 1944, I was taken from my room at Tule Lake by gunpoint by 2 MP's to the Tule Lake WRA Headquarters and ordered to sign some papers under duress. I later learned these papers were for renouncing my U.S. citizenship.

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? No

OR HAVE YOU EVER GIVEN A QUALIFIED ANSWER TO SUCH QUESTION ASKED AT WAR RELOCATION CENTERS? No IF 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? IF SO, STATE WHEN YOU CHANGED YOUR MIND AND YOUR REASONS THEREFOR.

3517 Nuuanu Pali Drive
Honolulu, Hawaii
December 19, 1973

District Director
U. S. Immigration and Naturalization
P. O. B x 461
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a determination be made as to the status of our citizenship. We wish to have our civil rights reinstated as citizens of the United States.

We have lived as law abiding citizens of this country and would appreciate the opportunity of enjoying full citizenship with voting rights. Copies of Form N-576 are enclosed explaining the unfortunate circumstances which had led to our cloudy citizenship status.

It is also our earnest desire to travel and visit other parts of the world, including Japan.

Your favorable consideration of this request will be very deeply appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Encl.

(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		PLACE AND 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 NOKUBFI HEIEKI GIMUSHA KAI ZAIBEL NIHOMJIN, HEIYAKU GIMUSHA KAI, AND 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 SHOKE 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 LIN 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 THEATER)		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:

I was the founder and organizer of Sokoku Kenkyu Seinen-dan, an organization which was formed to give the young people at Tule Lake something to do. The primary purpose of this group was to study and do research on Japan; to deepen the appreciation of Japanese culture, tradition, customs and history. However, I was deposed as its leader by another more aggressive element that was dissatisfied with my thinking that this should solely be a study group and nothing more. A more radical group grew out of this controversy, and organized itself into the Hokoku Seinen Dan,

(C) STATE NATURE OF YOUR ACTIVITY AND OFFICES YOU HELD: of which I refused to have any part. My group, Sokoku Kenkyu Seinen-dan (Fatherland Study Youth Group), automatically went out of existence at this time.

(D) IF YOU VOLUNTARILY DISCONTINUED MEMBERSHIP IN ANY OF THE AFORE-MENTIONED ORGANIZATIONS, GIVE APPROXIMATE DATE AND REASONS FOR SO DOING:

The Sokoku Seinen Dan (Fatherland Study and Research Youth Group), of which I was a part, existed for only about 6 months or less.

(E) IF YOU CLAIM THAT YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN ANY OF THE AFORE-MENTIONED 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 did not apply for such forms. I was forced to sign them at gun point and under severe mental duress, after being taken away from my quarters in the middle of the night. No explanation was given as to what the papers were, except that I was ordered to sign them. When I asked what they were, I was told, "Never mind, just sign them." I immediately after that, I was taken away from Tule Lake and transported via train to the Santa Fe Alien Internment Camp without even given an opportunity to see my wife or talk to her.

(B) IF REASONS GIVEN IN ANSWER TO PRECEDING QUESTION DIFFER FROM REASONS GIVEN TO OFFICER WHO HELD RENUNCIATION HEARING, GIVE YOUR EXPLANATION FOR DIFFERENCE.

There was no hearing.

(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:

Same as 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:

I was not informed as to the contents of the papers I was forced to sign, nor was I informed as to what my civil rights were. It was only after I was sent to the Santa Fe Alien Camp did I realize what they had made me sign.

(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.

See 9(A), 9(B) and 9(D)

I did not make any request to withdraw since I am still not positive of what I was made to sign.

(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.

See 9(A), 9(B) and 9(D)

11 HAVE YOU TAKEN ANY OTHER ACTION TO RESUME OR ACQUIRE JAPANESE CITIZENSHIP?
IF SO, STATE THE NATURE OF THE ACTION TAKEN AND THE REASONS FOR TAKING THAT ACTION

No

(Signature in full of applicant)

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

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