Name of Claimant YOSHIDA, Teiichi Case 638

Custodian File 4896

REAL PROPERTY

Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)			V.L.A. Mission Village			Total
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices		Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices:		
						% of Total	Amount		% of Total	Amount	

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear						
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column	

NETS

Total award for Nets plus Sale Price	Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing	Percentage Total Award to Total Claim	Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing	Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price	

MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS

Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price	
			46%	342.35	157.48			157.48

TOTAL RECOMMENDATION	157.48

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PART 1, REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927, CHAPTER 99.

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B E F O R E

(HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.M. EDMANSON, SUB-COMMISSIONER).

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APPEARANCES:

G.E.A. RICE, Esq., K.C.,	appearing for the Dominion Government.
L.S. TURCOTTE, Esq.,	appearing for the Claimant.

MISS LILLIE THOMAS,	Secretary.
MRS. LUCIE HANDFORD,	Official Interpreter,
S.R. HOWARD, Esq.,	Official Reporter.

THE SECRETARY: Case No. 638, Teiichi Yoshida.

TEIICHI YOSHIDA, the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the Interpreter as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. TURCOTTE:

Q Will you ask him to sign this form (indicating), please?

A (Witness complies).

Q Mr. Yoshida, you are making a claim arising out of the loss of household goods which you say were lost when you were evacuated from the Coast?

A Yes.

Q I am showing you a statement of the articles which you say were lost, the value which you say they were worth at the time, and also a statement as to where you left them. Is that statement correct to the best of your memory and belief?

A Yes, it is correct. There are several things that I am not claiming for which are not included in the list.

MR. TURCOTTE: May I have that marked as Exhibit 1?

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

MR. TURCOTTE: Will my learned friend file the analysis of personal property claim?

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

MR. TURCOTTE: Your Honour, in his original claim he had a claim in for Sun Life insurance loss.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes, I was wondering what that was.

MR. TURCOTTE: Apparently that was a cash surrender

value and he figured out he had lost something on it or lost the policy, but in any event that is abandoned, so that it has reduced the claim from $587.50 to $510.85.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes, I see, thanks.

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Now which house were you living in at Steveston, Mr. Yoshida?

A No. 5, Cold Storage cottage.

Q No, 5, Cold Storage cottage in Steveston?

A Yes.

Q Now what did you do with your chattels when you were evacuated?

A I left them in the house belonging to my friend who lived about two places away from me.

Q And what was this friend's name?

A Mr. Nakatsuka.

Q And that was how far away from you?

A Two places away from me, two blocks away from me.

Q You say that was about two blocks away from you?

A Yes.

Q From where you were living?

A Yes.

Q Now did you tell the Custodian where you left the goods? A: No, I did not.

Q Did the Custodian ever find out from you where the goods were?

A In 1942 I think it was.

Q Was it after you came to Alberta?

A Sure.

Q After you came to Alberta? A: Yes.

Q All right. A: The Custodians wrote and asked me where I had left my belongings, therefore I replied telling them that I had left them at Mr. Nakatsuka's but I got no reply from them to that letter.

Q Now then the claim that you are making now is somewhat different with regard to some of the articles and in the statement that you gave the Custodian when you signed the J.P. form. I wonder if I could have the J.P. form.

MR. RICE: Yes.

(J.P. form to Mr. Turcotte).

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Do you remember signing this form, (indicating) for the Custodian?

A Yes, that is my signature.

Q I see. Now in that form there is nothing in there about three tables. You didn't list any tables in this form. Did you have any tables? There is nothing in there about tables, Mr. Yoshida, and now you say that you had three tables. I presume you had some tables.

A There were several articles which I am afraid I left out of the J.P. form. I overlooked them at the time.

Q You overlooked them? A: Yes.

Q Well you are sure you had tables in the house, are you?

A I am certain.

Q You are certain? A: Yes.

Q Now you are also claiming now for a clock.

A I must have overlooked that also.

Q What kind of a clock was it that you had?

A I imagine it must have been a wall clock.

Q Was it a wall clock on the wall?

A Yes, that is right.

Q You are making a claim for $23.50 for that clock?

A Yes.

Q How did you arrive at that figure?

A I don't know. I asked my mother and my mother said it was $23.00, and it was second hand and I don't know, I am not sure.

Q You asked your mother?

A Yes. My mother must have paid that price when she bought it.

Q Well that is just the point, Mr. Yoshida. Are you claiming new prices for all of these articles?

A I am claiming for the price paid.

Q Oh. Well some of these articles would be rather old. I mean you had been using them for several years.

A Well I am afraid I don't know how much I should have claimed.

Q But your claim now is, you think , for the full price, is it? A: Yes.

Q Well possibly it should be cut down by the Commissioner according to what he thinks.

A Yes, I understand.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Are these things that he got from his mother?

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Did you get everything that you are claiming for from your mother, or did you buy

some yourself? A: Yes, she gave them to me.

Q Everything, beds, heaters, stoves?

A These articles belonged to various members of our family.

Q Well has your mother made a claim to the Commission?

A No, I am representing the whole family.

Q Oh, I see. You are the only one that has made a claim? A: I am the only one.

Q Is your mother's name Mitsu Yoshida?

A Yes.

Q Now in your J.P. form, it is written down here that you had a gramophone with ten records, and in your claim you are claiming for forty records?

A Forty is the correct figure.

Q Do you think that somebody misunderstood you when you were sighing that when you typed that out, that is, the J.P. form?

A There were several girls working at the Custodian's office at the time and oneof them must have mistaken me. I remember telling them that it was forty.

Q I see.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I wonder, when preparing the J.P. form or giving the instructions as to the preparation of it, whether he was giving particulars of his own goods and not of all the family. Would there be anything there?

MR. TURCOTTE: Well I don't know, your Honour.

MR. RICE: His evidence is that the girl made the

mistake.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Pardon?

MR. RICE: His evidence is that the girl in the office made the mistake.

MR. TURCOTTE: The things that were not put in the J.P. form, one bed, one heater, three tables, a clock and thirty gramophone records, and in the J.P. form there are 2000 fish hooks, and he says now 2500 fish hooks, and that is the difference between the J.P. form and the claim.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Mr. Yoshida, when you made your J.P. form were you including all the chattels that were in the house. Was that your intention or just your own, or did it include your mother's or the rest of the family?

A No, they related to the belongings of everyone in the family.

MR. TURCOTTE: I might point out, yourHonour, that in the J.P. form there are numerous articles for which he is not making any claim. He has forgotten what he put in the J.P. form, because there are picture frames, buck saw, box of wrench tools, two axes, and two hammers. I don't see those in there at all in his claim, and one box of Japanese kimonas, which might possibly have some value, and there is no claimx for that.

Q Now you are making a claim for $75.00 for engineer's tools. Now that is a rather high figure under some circumstances. Why are you claiming $75.00?

A Those included a threading machine for 3-inch pipes, a pipe wrench 36 inches long, two machine hammers and several other small articles.

Q I see. What was your occupation?

A These belonged to my father who used them in his line of business and they were given to me.

Q Well what line? I mean really what I asked him was what his occupation was?

A Oh, I am a fisherman.

Q You are a fisherman?

A Yes.

Q What was your father? A: My father was a fisherman, too, but a different job. He got a tug boat, you know, and that is why he had lots of tools.

Q I see. I presume, your Honour, that you will notice the history of the personal property on Exhibit 2.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. TURCOTTE: Apparently whatever goods this man did have were moved to this house which became a target of thieves and all the articles remaining on the premises after having been ransacked were removed to storage to Nakatsuka's home.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. RICE: I am submitting, your Honour, that the claimant turned over his property to persons other than the Custodian or after declaring that his chattels were located at a certain place moved them without the knowledge or consent of the Custodian and that the Custodian is not responsible for the same.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q Has No. 5 Cold Storage any other name or street number?

A I am afraid I have forgotten.

Q You have a farm, have you not, or did you have one?

A No.

Q Did any member of your family have a farm?

A No.

Q Were any of your goods moved from No. 5 Cold Storage cottage by you before you left?

A Well I had them removed to Nakatsuka's house.

Q You had them removed to whose house?

A Mr. Nakatsuka.

Q Nakatsuka's house? A: Yes.

Q Where was that, on the farm or where?

A He was in the transfer business.

Q Well, was Mr. Nakatsuka's house 47 Richmond Street?

A It may have been. I am sure I have forgotten. I am afraid I have forgotten.

Q I show you your J.P. form, dated the 17th of April, 1942 (indicating). Is that your signature?

A Yes.

Q And in this J.P. form you state that your chattels are located at house No. 5, Cold Storage cottage, Steveston; "Personal property to be locked in this address and key given to the Custodian"; is that right? Read that last line there (indicating) to him.

A This key referred to belonged to Nakatsuka because this was in his house and he was to have given the

key over to the Custodian.

Q Was No. 5 Cold Storage cottage Nakatsuka's house?

A I arranged for these things to be taken to Nakatsuka's house by the Harris Transfer.

Q You misunderstand my question. I am asking him was No. 5 Cold Storage cottage the place where he was residing or where Nakatsuka was residing?

A I was residing there.

Q And Nakatsuka was residing somewhere else?

A He was about two blocks away from me.

Q But you don't say anything in this form that you are going to take your goods to Nakatsuka's house?

A No, I did not tell the Custodian.

MR. RICE: I wish to submit the J.P. form as an exhibit, your Honour.

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3).

MR. RICE: Q: The Custodian wrote you in March, 1943, I believe. Just read that copy of the letter to him and ask him if he ever received the original, will you, please?

A I remember this letter and I replied to it but I got no reply in return.

Q You received the original of this letter dated March 17th, 1943, written by the Custodian to yourself? A: Yes, I did receive the original.

Q I show you another letter (indicating). Is that your signature? That is your signature, is it?

A Yes.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: What is the date of that?

MR. RICE: That is the reply to the original of the copy that I produced to the witness. It is dated March 26th, '43,

Q Will you read that out to him?

A Yes. That is it.

MR. RICE: I would like to put both of these in as an exhibit, your Honour, Perhaps they should go in as one exhibit. One is a letter from the Custodian dated March 17th, 1943, to the claimant, and which reads as follows:

"On your J.P. registration form, dated April 17th, 1942, you declared chattels left at No. 5 Cold Storage cottage, Steveston, B.C.

We found no goods at this house and Mr. A. Kitchener informs us that before you were evacuated you took all your goods to your farm.

So that we can properly care for your effects, will you please let us know where they may be located? An early reply is requested."

And then the letter in reply by the claimant addressed to the Department of the Secretary of State, Office of the Custodian, is under date of March 26th, 1943, and it reads:

"I am reporting the articles which are listed below, and which I have not reported to the Custodian office. Some of the important articles I have registered with the office when I left the city. Following is the description and place of storage of the

"articles I possessed:

The articles are stored behind the house of former Mr. Nakatsuka, resident of Steveston. And that is perhaps an ambiguous place, but please notify Mr. Austin Harris who is the transfer man in Steveston. I believe that he should know the place quite well.

Ones not registered".

And then there is a list of the chattels given and it is signed by the claimant.

(LETTERS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4).

MR. RICE: Q Who is Mitsu Yoshida? Is that your wife?

A My mother.

Q Your mother? A: Yes.

Q Do you know whether your mother ever wrote the Custodian?

A I am afraid I don't know because we did not live in the same place.

Q Well did your mother have any interest in a coal heater? A: Yes.

Q That was her property, was it?

A That is mine.

Q The coal heater was yours?

A Yes.

Q And the pipe wrenches and other mechanic's tools, were they yours or your mother's?

A Those were also mine.

Q Why would your mother write the Custodian about them? Look at that letter and see if that is your mother's signature, (indicating). Did your authorize

your mother to write that letter for you?

A My mother only requested they send the bed.

Q Is that your mother's signature (indicating)?

A Someone else must have written this for her.

Q Someone else must have written this for her?

A Yes.

Q But you know nothing about it?

A I am afraid I don't know.

Q Where were you residing in November, 1944?

A In Coaldale.

Q And your mother was residing in Barnwell?

A Yes, in Barnwell.

Q Well then you were just a short distance away from here, were you?

A Eighteen miles away, about twenty miles.

Q But you say you knew nothing whatever about your mother having written the Custodian?

A I don't know anything about it.

Q And you say that the articles referred to in your mother's letter here to the Custodian, dated November 22nd, 1944, are your articles or your chattels?

A They are my property, but it may be that my brother might have mentioned them in the letter.

Q But you are satisfied that this is a letter that your mother had written to the Custodian about your chattels?

MR. TURCOTTE: What is that question again?

MR. RICE: You are satisfied that this is a letter that your mother had written to the Custodian about

your chattels.

MR. TURCOTTE: He just said he didn't know anything about it.

MR. RICE: Oh, he did know about it; he said the chattels are his.

MR. TURCOTTE: Sure, the chattels mentioned in the letter are his, but he didn't say he knew anything about the letter.

A My mother mentioned that she wanted the bed and the heater but nothing was said about these wrenches.

MR. RICE: Q: Pipe wrenches?

A And other mechanic's tools.

Q And other mechanic's tools?

A At the time of our conversation.

Q Your mother said, did she, that she had written to the Custodian or not?

A No, she didn't mention it.

Q She didn't mention it?

A No, I never heard her speak of it.

Q Well apparently with the letter there was a plan that accompanied that letter that the Custodian received as part of that letter, and I show you the plan (indicating). Do you recognize it? Do you recognize the place marked "X" on that plan?

A The place marked "X" is the house where Nakatsuka lived and the little square behind the larger one is the shack where my things were stored at Steveston.

Q Your things were stored in the little shack marked "X"? A: Yes.

Q On this plan?

A Yes.

MR. RICE: This is a letter written apparently without the claimant's knowledge, but by a person he believes to be his mother, and he says that his mother is Mitsu Yoshida and she apparently has her name signed to this letter, your Honour, and the letter is written under date of November 22nd, 1944, written from Barnwell, Alberta, and it reads as follows:

> "Kindly send me the coal heater, the old Japanese magazines and the pipe wrenches and other mechanic's tools which I have stored in the little shack where I have marked "X" on the enclosed map. Please send them by C.P.R. freight and oblige."

And attached to that letter is the plan with the "X" marked upon it which the claimant has identified as the place where he has stored his chattels. The plan speaks for itself with regard to the "X" marked on it.

MR. TURCOTTE: Mr. Yoshida's letter to the Custodian which has been marked as an exhibit refers to the shack behind the house, so that there is no argument about that. He said that the articles were stored behind the house of former Mr. Nakatsuka.

MR. RICE: I would like to point out, your Honour, that the Custodian in dealing with this plan advised Mrs. Mitsu Yoshida as follows, or said,

"When we checked her map we found that the Catholic Church was situated between Third Avenue and Fourth Avenue not between Second Avenue and Third Avenue. The Custodian's agent investigated and found a shack but no chattels were found on the premises. If you will supply us with the name of the property owner, we will make a further check as there may have been goods credited to the property owner."

(LETTERS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5).

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I was wondering, Mr. Rice, if some attempt should not be made to fix the depreciation on these goods.

MR. TURCOTTE: Oh, I think, your Honour, possibly if you cut it in half.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Oh, I see. Is 50% satisfactory to you, Mr. Turcotte?

MR. TURCOTTE: I will ask him, your Honour.

Q Would 50% of the new prices that you have set out here be satisfactory to you, Mr. Yoshida, a half?

A I am afraid I could not replace them.

Q Oh, I know that. None of us can do that today, we cannot replace them for half, but supposing in 1942 you had an auction sale yourself would you have got more than half of the new price?

A I am afraid I wouldn't know.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Well under those circumstances, all we can do is to find out how long ago they were purchased.

MR. RICE: Of course I am taking the stand, your Honour, that the claimant hid these goods himself and the Custodian is not responsible at all.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: As an alternative defence.

MR. RICE: Oh yes. He has admitted that part of the goods did not belong to him and that is an alternative defence, your Honour. Of course it may be that the Commissioner, Mr. Justice Bird, will consider allowing him to claim for himself and other members of the family. I think they have been very liberal in taking that view, the Commission has.

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: How many members were there in your family? How many lived in this house, Mr. Yoshida?

A Six persons.

Q Six persons? A: Yes.

Q That is yourself and your wife?

A I got three other brothers, my wife and myself, and I got one sister. It was three other brothers, my mother, myself and one sister.

Q You have one sister?

A Yes, three brothers, one sister, myself and my mother lived in this house.

Q So that there were six in the house?

A Yes.

Q How many rooms were there in the house?

A Seven.

Q Seven rooms in the house?

A Yes.

Q And was there furniture in all the rooms?

A Yes, there were.

MR. TURCOTTE: Your Honour, all I can say is that it was a seven room house and that it had furniture in the rooms.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: When did his mother come to this country?

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: When did your mother come to this country?

A Thirty-seven years ago.

Q Thirty-seven years ago?

A Yes.

Q And did she live in this house?

A She is living there about 11 years.

Q Eleven years in this house she lived?

A Yes, eleven years in this house.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I suppose some of this stuff was had by her ever since she came to this country.

MR. TURCOTTE: Well now, your Honour, she has set out in this form to some extent the date when these things were bought. She has set out 1938, '40, '41, and then some in 1931 and '32. The stove is 1938, the clock was bought in 1931, the tools, engineer's tools, were between 1932 and '42 as were the kitchen utensils and dishes.

MR. RICE: And the gramophone records, how old were they?

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: How old were the gramophone records?

A About two or three years. Bought about 1940, about two or three years old, some of them.

Q What sort of gramophone records were they?

A They were dance records as well as songs.

Q English records? A: Some English records.

MR. RICE: Q: And some Japanese?

A Yes, some Japanese and some English, about six English records.

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: And the rest Japanese?

A Yes.

Q What did those Japanese records cost new?

A New ones, $1.50, $1.25, some ones $1.00.

Q $2.00, $1.50 and $1.00, is that right?

A Yes, $1.50, $1.25 and a $1.00.

MR. TURCOTTE: Well he has apparently claimed the new price on those.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I do not suppose that his mother brought any of these goods to this country.

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Did your mother bring any of these goods that you are claiming for from Japan?

A No, she brought nothing.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Q: So that she accumulated everything since she came here?

A Yes.

Q All right, thanks.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

Certified a true and accurate transcript.

"S.R. HOWARD", Official Reporter.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript purports to be an accurate record of the evidence adduced before me.

SUB-COMMISSIONER.

Case No 638

IN THE MATTER OF a Commission to Investigate Claims of Japanese Canadians for Property Losses.

TO: The Commissioner,
Office of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

File 4896 ACKNOWLEDGED Letter dated

Pursuant to the notice issued on the 26th day of September, 1947, I submit the following claim:

(1) NAME YOSHIDA, TEIICHI (RCMP) Reg. No. 01893.
(Print) Surname Given Name

(2) Pre-Evacuation Address Steveston, B.C.

(3) Present Address P. O. Box 158, Coaldale, Alberta.

(4) REAL ESTATE

(a) Street Address (if any) _____
City or Municipality, Province

(b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.) _____

(c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):

(i) Farm
(ii) Residence Type of business _____
(iii) Business
(iv) Any other type of property (describe) _____

(d) What was your interest in the property (e.g., sole owner, life tenant, joint tenant, owner of one half or one third interest, leasehold, etc.) _____

(e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):

(i) Land - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $ _____

(ii) Buildings - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $ _____

(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable) - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $ _____

(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) - $ _____

(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - $ _____

(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - $ _____

(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY

(a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation _____
House of Mr. Shigetura Imatani, Richmond and 3rd Avenue.

(b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.)
House behind the main building.

(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation
Small Articles packed in boxes.

(over)

(d) In whose care was property left at date of evacuation by the claimant. (This question refers to the terms of reference which exclude claims where the property was lost, destroyed or stolen while under the custody, control or management of any person other than the Custodian appointed by the owner of the property. It involves some definite arrangement whereby you appointed someone to take care of the property and such person accepted the responsibility of so doing. Unless such an arrangement was made the question should be answered "in no one's care") In the custody of the Custodian.

(e) Itemized description of personal property which is the subject of the claim:

1. _____ Estimated Value $_____
2. _____ Estimated Value $_____
3. _____ Estimated Value $_____
4. Please see the attached sheet. Estimated Value $_____
5. _____ Estimated Value $_____
6. _____ Estimated Value $_____
7. _____ Estimated Value $_____
8. _____ Estimated Value $_____
9. _____ Estimated Value $_____
10. _____ Estimated Value $_____

TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS $_____

N.B.—If you cannot list all the items here prepare a separate list with values set out opposite each item and attach it to the form. The item "personal property" includes shares, bonds, mortgages, loans, notes and all other forms of property not included in real estate.

(f) Total claim including real and personal property (this figure can be arrived at by adding items 4(f) and 5(e) - $ 556.25 607.50

(6) (a) Place at which claimant prefers to be heard. (Vancouver, Kamloops, Nelson, Lethbridge, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Toronto or Montreal.) Lethbridge

(b) Do you require the services of an interpreter at the hearing? Yes or no Yes.

N.B.—This Declaration must be sworn before a Commissioner, Notary Public or other person entitled to take declarations. All lawyers are qualified to do so.

DOMINION OF CANADA,
of
TO WIT:

I, Teiichi Yoshida of the District
of Coaldale in the Province of Alberta

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:
The information set out in the form above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of 'The Canada Evidence Act".

DECLARED before me at the Village
of Coaldale
in the Province of Alberta
this 19th. day of November
A.D. 1947. R. J. Baldry

Teiichi Yoshida

A Commissioner &c.

N.B. — THIS FORM FULLY COMPLETED AND SWORN BEFORE A COMMISSIONER SHOULD BE MAILED BY REGISTERED MAIL TO THE COMMISSIONER, c/o THE OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN, ROYAL BANK BLDG., VANCOUVER, B.C., BEFORE NOVEMBER 30th, 1947. IF YOU CANNOT MAIL IT BEFORE THIS DATE SET OUT BELOW REASONS FOR THE DELAY.

My commission expires December 31st. 1947.

File 4896

YOSHIDA,TEIICHI---Reg. No. 01893.

(e) Itemized description of personal property which is the subject of the claim:

1.	3 Beds	$ 82.50	
2.	1 Kitchen and 1 Electric Stove	45.00	
3.	2 Heaters	30.50	
4.	4 Gas Stoves	27.80	
5.	3 Tables	17.45	(45)
6.	10 Chairs	13.50	
7.	1 Bath Tub	18.00	
8.	2 Linoleums	26.50	
9.	1 Clock	23.50	
10.	KitchenUtensils and Dishes	56.20	
11.	Engineer's Tools	75.00	
12.	40 Gramaphone Records	40.00	
13.	1 Mandaline	6.95	
14.	1 Tennis Racket	4.75	
15.	1 Bandminton Racket	11.95	
16.	Sun Life Insurance Loss	76.65	×
17.	Fish Hooks...(2,500)	31.25	
	Total	$587.50	
	No Credits from the Custodian	-----	
	TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS	$587.50	

510.85

Ypshida, Teiichi
(Claimant's Name)

PERSONAL CHATTELS

01893
Reg. No.

Description of Major Items (and particularly of goods lost, stolen or destroyed)	Approximate Date Purchase	New or Used When Purchased	Price Paid	Condition when Evacuated	Estimated value at Date of Evacuation
3 beds	1940-41-1938	New			$82.50
1 kitchen stove 1 electric heater	1938	Used Used	$45.00	All good	45.00
2 heaters	1941-1938	New Used			30.50
4 gas stoves	1942	New	27.80		27.80
Clock	1931	New	Don't know		23.50
Kitchen utensils and dishes	1932-42	New			56.20
Engineers tools	1932-42	New	75.00		75.00
Fish Hooks	New	New			31.25
3 tables and 10 chairs					30.95
Bath tub					18.00
2 Linoleums					26.50
Mandolin, tennis and badmington rackets					23.65
40 gramaphone records					40.00
					$510.85

Description of Storage of Goods:

Sun Life Insurance loss abandoned. I was living in house # 5, Cold Storage Cottage, Steveston. I moved my chattels to house of Shigetaro Nakatsuke at Richmond and 3rd Avenue about 2 blocks away. Custodian wrote to me asking where I stored my chattels. I wrote to him telling him what I had done withthem. I do not speak English very well and there are several mistakes in my J. P. Form and several things were left out.

General Statement as to Chattels not Described above:

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DATE Sept 1/48
FILED BY C.A. Tuxford

Additional Comments, if any:

Teiichi Yoshida
Signature

ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

FILE No. 4896 EXHIBIT No.

NAME Teiichi YOSHIDA REG. No. 01893

DATE
DECLARATION 17 Apr 42
EVACUATION May ? 1942

INVENTORY
TAKEN BY
DATE

DETAILS OF CLAIM		SALES: AUCTION	SALES: TENDER &c	SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND
Picture frames,	3 beds 82 50				2
Flower arrangement eqpt	1 kitchen & 1 elec stove 45				2
1 Backsaw	2 heaters 30 50				1
1 box wrench tools	4 gas stoves 27 ~~80~~				4
2 axes	3 tables 17 45				
2 hammers	10 chairs 13 50				10
1 gramaphone with 10 records	1 bath tub 18				1
1 elec. iron	2 linoleums 26 50				2
2 beds	1 clock 23 50				
2 stoves (1 kitchen	kitchen utensils & dishes 56 20				X
(1 heater	Engineer's tools 75				Wrenche
10 chairs	40 gramaphone records 40				10
1 wooden bath	1 Mandaline (mandolin) 6 95				1
2 floor coverings	1 tennis racket 4 75				1
1 box Jap. kimono	1 badminton racket 11 95				1
3 rolls wall paper					
kitchen utensils;	Sun Life Insurance Loss 76 65				
LOCATED AT HOUSE #5 COLD STORAGE COTTAGE, STEVESTON, BC.	Fish hooks (2,500) 31 25				2000
PERSONAL PROPERTY TO BE LOCKED IN THIS ADDRESS AND KEY GIVEN TO CUSTODIAN.	TOTAL 587 50				

T. Yoshida's letter to the Custodian d/26 March 1943:

"I am reporting the articles which are listed below, and which I have not reported to the Custodian office. Some of the important articles I have registered with the office when I left the city. Following is the description and place of storage of the articles I possessed. The articles are stored behind the house of former Mr. Nakatsuka. resident of Steveston. That is perhaps an ambiguous place, but please notify Mr. Austin Harris who is the transfer man in Steveston. I believe that he should know the place quite well.

Ones not registered:-
1 galvanized pump
2 pieces of 2" rope each 50 ft. long
Galvanized chain 50 ft. (anchor chain) 100#
1 electric stove
4 gas stove
gasoline funnel
One wooden box :- Contents:-
tennis racket, badminton racket, mandolin
paper cutter and others.
One big paper box
Wash tub, ~~2000xdogfishx~~ boards, and baskets
Approx. 2,000 dogfish hooks
1 boiler
12 chimney, 3 elbows
200 books
1 box wrench worth $70
hot water tank, pipe fittings, - 20 ft. "

Sgd Teiichi YOSHIDA

JC/..

HISTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Search of House #5, Cold Storage Cottage, Steveston, B.C. fai chattels as declared by Teiichi YOSHIDA. Mr. C.C. Robinson (for Custodian after T.C. King resigned that post) was contact and a further search was made. A Mr. Kitchener who tenanted after the Japanese evacuation stated that Yoshida had removed to "HIS FARM 7th AVE. HOUSE". As Yoshida had declared himsel Real Property, the Custodian wrote Yoshida on 17 Mar 43 reque re the whereabouts of chattels.

-: -: - Yoshida's reply to the above query is quoted in entirety & le on this sheet, and a copy of same was supplied Robinson.on 1 Robinson's reply of 5 Apr 43 notes that chattels from the add removed to storage under the name of Nakatsu (further investi this person to be Sotaro NAKATSUKA - file 2489) and that pri of the chattels same had been the target of thieves. All art on the premises after having been ransacked were removed to s auctioned under Nakatsuka's name, proceeds being credited to

Mitsu YOSHIDA, mother of Teiichi YOSHIDA, wrote to the Custod giving a crude map of Steveston, and requesting that chattels a marked building be forwarded to her. The TOOLS mentioned b letter appear to be the same tools that Teiichi YOSHIDA is cl

Robinson's successor at Steveston (Harris) reported that i the shack shown on Mrs. YOSHIDA's sketch failed to reveal ar Yoshida was advised 15 Feb 46 by the Custodian that due to he clared any chattels when registering on 17 Apr 42, no search time, and that when a search was made, no chattels were found

An effort was made by the Custodian Office to separate Nakats from those declared by Yoshida 26 Mar 43. However, as the co suka's house had been thoroughly ransacked, and due to the si items declared by both parties, no separation was possible.

No. 4896 EXHIBIT No. _____ CASE No. _____

No. 01893 VENUE _____

SALES N	SALES TENDER &c	SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND	NO RECORD AT ANY TIME	ABANDONED	NOT ACCOUNTED FOR THEFT &C	UNSOLD	REMARKS
			2	1				
			2					
			1	1				
			4					
				3				
			10					
			1					Wooden.
			2					
				1				
			X					
			Wrenches					
			10r	30r				
			1					
			1					
			1					
								Not considered
			2000	500				

OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

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'. As Yoshida had declared himself to be without n wrote Yoshida on 17 Mar 43 requesting information Ref #2
els.
e query is quoted in entirety & letter of 26 Mar 43) Ref #3
f same was supplied Robinson.on 1 Apr 43. Ref #4
3 notes that chattels from the address given were
e name of Nakatsu (further investigation revealed Ref #5
AKATSUKA - file 2489) and that prior to removal
en the target of thieves. All articles remaining
g been ransacked were removed to storage and
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ies, no separation was possible.

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DATE Sept. 1/48
FILED BY Ira Rice

FORM "JP"

FILE No. 4896

STEVESTON BRANCH

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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

Sept. 1/40

JAPANESE SECTION

C.F. Rice

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having property in any protected area. The proper administration of this property requires such persons to give full particulars as requested in this form.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: YOSHIDA, Teiichi

HOME ADDRESS: P.O. Box 29, Cold Storage Cottage #5, Steveston, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 01893 SEX: Male AGE: 30

OCCUPATION: Fisherman

(If any business or businesses carried on, state where, under what name and whether carried on by yourself or in partnership with anyone; if partnership, give partner's name.)

EMPLOYER: B.C. Packers, Steveston, B.C.

MARRIED? No

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: None

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: None

AGE OF CHILDREN: None

STATEMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY (Each parcel must be mentioned and particulars given)

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: None

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) None

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) None

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) None

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) None

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: None

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: None

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN None

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: House #5, Cold Storage Cottage, Steveston, B.C.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: B.C. Packers, Steveston, B.C.

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:

Arrangement by cannery

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: None

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)

None

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:

None

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:

Picture frames, flower arrangement equipment, 1 backsaw, 1 box wrench tools, 2 axes 2 hammers, 1 gramaphone with 10 records, 1 electric iron, 2 beds, 2 stoves (1 kitchen, 1 heater), 10 chairs, 1 wooden bath, 2 floor coverings, 1 box Jap. kimono, 3 rolls ~~xxxxx~~ wall paper, Kitchen utensils; located at House #5, Cold Storage Cottage, Steveston. Personal property to be locked in this address and key given to Custodian.

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS

None

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY None

FORM "JP

FILE No.

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: None

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) None

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) None

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None

9. LIFE INSURANCE: Sun Life, Vancouver Branch, $1000. Acc. #2264005, beneficiary mother, Mitsu, in own possession.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None

2. TRADE DEBTS: None

I, the undersigned, hereby voluntarily turn over to the Custodian all my property in the protected area as set out above, excepting fishing vessels, deposits of money, shares of stock, debentures, bonds or other securities, if any.

I certify that the above information is true and complete and fully discloses all my property of every description in any protected area in British Columbia and sets forth all my liabilities direct and indirect.

Dated this 17th day of April 1942

(Signature) "T. Yoshida"

"A. G. McArthur"
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.
October 14th 1948

m.a.

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EXHIBIT No.

DATE Sept. 1/48

FILED BY G.E.A. Rice

c/o Van Gaalen,

Coaldale, Alberta

March 26/43

Department of the Secretary
of State, Office of Custodian
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
Hastings and Granville
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

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"47 Richmond St"

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Wash tub, boards, and baskets.
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1 box wrench worth $70
hot water tank, pipe fittings, - 20ft.

Yours sincerely
"Teiichi Yoshida"
T. Yoshida.

I hereby certify the foregoing words to be a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

Oct. 14, 1948

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G.E.A. Rice

March 17, 1943.

Mr. Teiichi YOSHIDA,
Registration No. 01893,
c/o Mr. A. Van Gaalen,
P.O. Box 123,
Coaldale, Alta.

Dear Sir:

Re: Chattels.

On your "JP" registration form dated April 17th, 1942, you declared chattels left at No. 5 Cold Storage Cottage, Steveston, B. C.

We found no goods at this house and Mr. A. Kitchener informs us that before you were evacuated you took all your goods to your farm.

So that we can properly care for your effects, will you please let us know where they may be located. An early reply is requested.

Yours truly,

R.B. Mackedie,
Protection Department.

RBM/P

I hereby certify the foregoing words to be a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

Oct. 14, 1948

M. Scoby
M.A.

EXHIBIT NO. 638-5

DATE FILED Sept. 1/48

G.E.A. Rice

Barnwell Alta.

Nov. 22, 1944

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The Custodian,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Kindly send me the coal heater, the old Japanese magazines and pipe wrenches and other mechanic's tools which I have stored in the little shack where I have marked X on the enclosed map. Please send them by C.P.R. freight and oblige.

Yours truly,

"(Mrs.) Mitsu Yoshida"

Reg. No. 04406

I hereby certify that the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

October 14th 1948

M. Scaby M.A.

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STEVESTON B.C MAIN ST.

MONCTON ST

STATION

B.C. ELECTRIC RY

→ TO

IMPERIAL

CANNERY

CHATHAM ST.

No. 1 ROAD

1ST AVE.

2ND AVE

3RD AVE

CATHOLIC CHURCH

GEORGIA ST.

← SCHOOL