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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN JAPANESE SECTION

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: **OSHIRO, Elko**

HOME ADDRESS: **Stillwater, B.C.**

REGISTRATION NUMBER **10223** SEX: **M** AGE: **54**

OCCUPATION: **Logger**

(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: **Robert McNair Shingle Company Ltd., Stillwater, B.C.**

MARRIED? **Yes**

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: **Mieko**

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: **Japan**

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: **Hideyuki (M), Ritsuko (F), Michiko (F).**

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: **Japan**

AGE OF CHILDREN: **16 - 12 - 10**

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: **20 acres Corporation of Langley, B.C.** ✓

Subdivision - 24, 25, 26 N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 25 - Tn P 10.

in name of E. Gushiken & H. Nako, Coghlan, B.C. Wife in Japan.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: **None**

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are)

None

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) **\$19.00 municipality of Marrayville, B.C.**

says 1941 taxes paid.

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: Has no title.
Tax sale receipts in declarants possession.
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: His wife.
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN: None

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Shack at Shingle camp, Stillwater, B.C.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Ebisuzaki Co., 337 Powell St., Vancouver, B.C.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: None
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: Falling saw, two bucking saws, one peevie, one axe, five falling wedges, three split wedges, three saw handles, one hand saw, one hatchet, three spring boards, Above are at Stillwater Camp, B.C. (Two bucking saws , one pick, one peevie, one axe, two split wedges, - in bush. Bedding and clothing at Hastings Park (labelled).
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

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)

Dominion of Canada \$50.00 Series K4 (1951) H442199 in his possession.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS:

None

9. LIFE INSURANCE:

None

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS:

None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX:

None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS:

None

2. TRADE DEBTS:

None

REMARKS: Real Estate in wifes name who is in Japan.

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 19th day of March 1942.

(Signature)

E. Oshiro

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE

Our File No. 1656

RETURNED TO JAPAN

S.S. GENERAL MEIGS

Full Name OSHIRO, Eiko

17th JUNE 1946

(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 19223

^V
Male - Female
(Check)

Age Feb. 10/1887

Former Address Taira Camp, Stillwater, B.C.

Date Evacuated 21/3/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check) ^V

Present Address Thunder River, B.C.

^V
Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife OSHIRO, Miyeko (Japan)

Name of Husband

Name of Mother Deceased

Name of Father Deceased

Names of Children under 16 Ritsuko(F) 14

Japan with Mother

Mitsuko(F) 10

Requested by D. A. Davidson

Registered with Custodian yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Logger

711 Stock Exchange Bldg.,
675 Burr Street,
Vancouver, B.C.,
October 31st, 1947.

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ *NIL*

Custodian of Enemy Property,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

File 1656

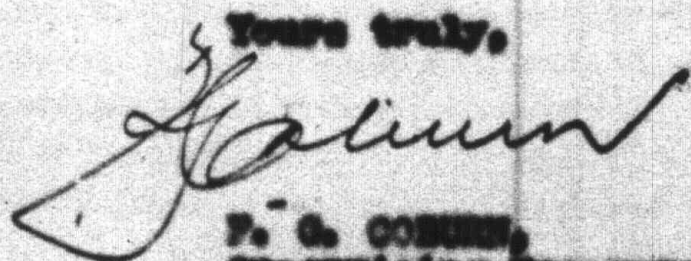
Dear Sir:

Re: OSHIRO, Eiko #10223
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This will acknowledge the sum of \$ 37.31
received from you on account of the above mentioned which
has been accounted for by this office in the proper manner.

There has been no No. 2 Receipt issued in
this instance.

Yours truly,



F. G. CORNUM,
Supervising Treasury Officer.

FCC/EF.

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ *NIL*

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711 Stock Exchange Bldg.,
475 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B.C.,
Oct. 17/46

Custodian of Enemy Property,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ *NIL*

Re: OSHIRO, Eiko ¹⁶⁵⁶ #10223

Please note that the above Japanese has
been repatriated to Japan. The following is the status
of his account with this Department, covering the
repatriation transactions:

Money turned in - - - - - \$ 265.00

Draft Issued- - - - - \$ 265.00

It will be noted, therefore, that this
party is not indebted to this Department in this connection.
However, should any further monies come into your hands on
this account it should be turned over to this office for
transmission to the Japanese in question.

Yours truly,

F. E. COBURN
F. E. COBURN,
Supervising Treasury Officer.

FGC/EJ.

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DOMINION OF CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

N^o 378

Issued at **Vancouver, B.C.,**

Date **Nov 27th, 1946**

The Government of Canada acknowledges that **CHINHO, Kiku**
has surrendered property situated in Canada as described herein and agrees to remit the yen equivalent of the net proceeds
of such property immediately, or upon liquidation if such action is required, to Japan under arrangements made with,
and approved by, the United States Government and the Military Authorities in Japan; Provided that from the proceeds
of such property there shall be retained such amounts as are required to repay advances made by the Government of Ca-
nada by way of Repatriation Grant.

Deposit - **4500.00**
Outstanding Free Balance - **32.00**
4532.00

C. W. Van Houten
for Comptroller of the Treasury

J.R. Card.
Checked in baggage
Use Card 1656.

DEPOSIT FORM

Montbret Add 2
0-657-4

Reg. No. 10223

NAME: OSHIRO
(please print)

Surname EIKO

Given Name

Cheques (must be certified)
List Bank Name and Branch

Amount

Cash

Dollars Cents

X 1

X 2

X 5

17 X 10

3 X 20

X 50

X 100

170

60

Total Bills

230

Silver

Copper

Total Cheques

Total Amount

Teller's Initials

MT

Herewith monies as shown above.

I wish to take all of these funds with me to Japan, plus \$
now on deposit with the Custodian. Yes: ☒ No: ☐

I wish to take with me only the amount of the Government Guarantee
Yes: ☐ No: ☒

Date: May 27, 1946

Yes

No

OR

E. Oshiro

Signature

Date: _____, 1946

I have no money to turn in.

Signature

Custodian's Receipt
\$35.00
MAY 27 1946
O.K. [Signature]

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File 1656

V.L.A. B.C. 422-P

JAPANESE NAME: Eiko OSHIRO - - Reg. No. 10223.

CATALOGUE NO: Part of The Director, The Veterans' Land Act first offer.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: Municipality of Langley.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Blocks 24, 25 and 26 of the N.W. Quarter of Section 25, Township 10, Map 2878, Municipality of Langley, New Westminster District.

TITLE: In name of the Corporation of the Township of Langley.

ENCUMBRANCE: Vesting of the interest of Eiko OSHIRO in the Custodian No. 25505, filed 26th February 1943.
No other known encumbrance.

ASSESSED VALUE: 1943 - Area 17.38 acres.
Land \$525.00
Improvements \$200.00 Total \$725.00

CLASSIFICATION: Wild land. The parcel is assessed as improved land. Oshiro in his declaration states that it was not cultivated. As ascertained by inspection by a field man of the Custodian a small portion had been cut over and partially prepared for cultivation but was overgrown with bush. It had no building and was not occupied as a farm at any time before or after evacuation. The Municipal assessor, it would appear, having knowledge of some clearing having been done, assessed as improved land.

HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: 1. Administered by the Custodian.
2. There is no record on file of any lease or occupation.

SOLD: 1. To The Director, The Veterans' Land Act for \$171.00 as at 1st January 1943.
2. Approval of Advisory Committee 1st June 1943.
3. There was considerable difficulty in clearing the title as The Corporation of Langley had sold and given deed in the name of E. Gushiken. This deed was and is in possession of Eiko OSHIRO, who refused to send it to the Custodian. A Notarial Declaration was finally obtained from OSHIRO stating that E. Gushiken and Eiko OSHIRO are one and the same person, and a special form of Transmission reciting the known facts, was filed on May 31st, 1944, and the property conveyed to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act by deed No. 173685-E.

FUNDS: The amount of the consideration, \$171.00 less taxes due \$21.83, balance of \$149.17 was paid by The Director, The Veterans' Land Act to the Custodian on 26th July, 1944. A further deduction of \$1.00 for Certificate of Encumbrance, \$3.00 for registration fee was made, and \$15.00 for Legal fee leaving the net credit to Eiko OSHIRO of \$130.17.

C. OF T:

Certificate of Title No. 173685 has issued to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file and on record by accounting department.

D. H. Thompson

DATED October 17th, 1945.

FIRE INSURANCE SUMMARY

File No. 1656

20th October, 1945.

Re: OSHIRO, Eiko - Reg. No. 10221

The file reveals no interest of the above
Japanese in Fire Insurance.

The above summary is certified
to be in accordance with the
information on file.

Dated: October 20th, 1945
WEA:EH

W.E. Lamm

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 1656

20th October, 1945

Re: OSHIRO, Eiko Reg.No. 10223

The above Japanese declared no liabilities
to the Custodian and none appear on his
file against him.

The above Summary is certified
to be in accordance with the
information on file.

Dated: October 20th, 1945

WEA:EH

W E Hanson
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PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 1656

20th October, 1945

Re: OSHIRO, Eiko - Reg. No. 10223

CHATTELS: In his declaration to the Custodian March 19th, 1942 the above Japanese declares a quantity of logging hand tools at Stillwater Camp, B. C. stating same to be in the bush there. His bedding and clothing were brought by him to Hastings Park and were presumably to be taken with him upon being evacuated.

No action was taken by the Custodian regarding the tools at Stillwater Camp or in the bush there as the apparent value would not warrant the expense.

The above apparently places little value in the tools as no enquiry about them has been received from him.

BONDS & INVESTMENTS: The above Japanese declared a \$50.00 Dominion of Canada bond as being in his possession. This was not brought under control by the Custodian.

This file reveals no other Personal Property Interest.

The above summary is certified
to be in accordance with the
information on file.

Dated: October 20th, 1945
WEA:EH

W.E. Chumley
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ALEX. C. HOPE, Reeve
E. A. FOUNTAIN, Acting Clerk

Corporation of the District of Langley

Clerk's Office, Municipal Hall
MURRAYVILLE, B.C.

May 6, 1942.

J. McPherson

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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*File
Oshino*

C. L. Drewry, Esq.,
Manager,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Hastings & Granville,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Lots 24, 25, 26 of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 25, Twp. 10
17.38 acs.

I have your letter of the 14th April and in
reply would state that the Municipality of Langley sold
the above described property to a party by the name of
E. GUSHIKEN.

*File
Oshino*

We have no record of anybody by the name of
Eiko Oshino.

*husband
of E. Gushiken*

The assessed value of the above property is
\$725., being Improvements \$200., Land \$525.

The current (1942) taxes are owing, which
amount to \$19.03.

Yours truly,

D. J. Laming

for Collector.

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NOTE: Please note our address is Murrayville, B.C.
not Agassiz, B.C.

~~Internee 1229~~
Internee 1229

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.,
November 27, 1942.

Mr. Eiko Oshiro,
Registration No. 10223,
Thunder River, B.C.

Dear Sir:

According to your Statement of Assets and Liabilities filled in for the Custodian's Office on March 19th, you have an interest in 20 acres of property in the Corporation of Langley, B.C. It is also stated that the title is in the name of E. Gushiken.

It would be appreciated if you could kindly advise me who E. Gushiken is and whether or not this party has any connection with your wife, Miesko Oshiro, who is in Japan.

Yours truly,

Miss F. Carroll
For, Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian

FC/10



ALEX. C. HOPE, Reeve
E. A. FOUNTAIN, Acting Clerk

Corporation of the District of Langley

Clerk's Office, Municipal Hall
MURRAYVILLE, B.C.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
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4th. December 1942.

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The Title Examiner,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver, B.C..

Dear Sir, E. Gushiken. File no. 1656.

I have yours of the 3rd. inst. in regard to the
above party.

The address we show for this man is c/o Y. Suzuki,
3rd. Lake, Stillwater, B.C.. While I do not remember ever
having seen this individual, I am of the opinion that he is
Japanese since his former address was c/o H. Nako, R.R. 1
Coghlan, B.C., whom you will have on your list.

Gushiken has never registered his deed and so the
property remains in the name of the Corporation.

I trust the above may be of some help to you.

Meantime I am,

Yours faithfully,

S. F. Lang
p. collector.

P.S..

Since writing the above I understand that this man went
to Britannia Mines to work about a year ago and that he is of
the Japanese type.

Chamberlain & Co.
Blue River Bldg.
Dec 9/42

Mrs. F. Carroll
The Gustafson Office
712 Royal Bank Bldg.
Blue River B.C.

Rec'd	DEC 28 1942
File No.	19277
Ans.	
Initialed	✓

Dear Madame:

Your inquiry of the under-
signed, simply amounts to the fact
that I am the father - son of Mr.
Oshers and that I am the
husband of Mrs. Oshers. I hope this is
sufficient information in clarifying
my identification to you.

It would be appreciated if
you would kindly inform me as to
whether my information is sufficient
to you or not.

Thanking you very much
for your kindness in advance.

Yours very truly,
Eiko Oshers.

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912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
December 29th, 1942.

Mr. Eiko Oshiro, #10223,
Thunder River Camp,
BLUE RIVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of December 9th and wish to thank you very much for the information given. However, there is just one point upon which we are not clear and that is the fact that the title for the property mentioned is in the name of E. Gushiken.

It would be appreciated if you would advise me who this party is and why the property is in his name.

Yours truly,

(Miss F. Carroll)
For the Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/ or the Custodian.

FC:HW.

EVACUATION SECTION	
To	FEB 6 1943
Re	
Referred	

Blue River, B.C. 2/2/43.

British Columbia Security Commission,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Attention: M.L. Brown.

Dear Sir:

Re Miko OSHIRO, #10223
and E. GUSHIKEN

1. Your letter of the 25th of January
re Oshiro and Gushiken being one and the same person re
property at Langley, B.C.
2. #10223 E. Oshiro is at Thunder River
camp and is apparently the same person as Gushiken. He
has Passport and Photo to that effect and states that
Gushiken is the name used in Japan and it was his wife's
name. He is apparently the owner of the property in
question.
3. Hoping this information will be of
some value to you.

Yours very truly,

A.P. Ridley I/C Blue River
Detach. Det.

Corporation of the Township of Langley

ALEX C. HOPE, Reeve
E. A. FOUNTAIN, Acting Clerk



D. M. MATHIESON, Engineer
H. E. PENZER, Social Service

EVACUATION SECTION	
REC'd	APR 22 1943
File No.	1025
Ans.	Dr
Referred	Cramer

MUNICIPAL HALL
MURRAYVILLE, B.C.
April 21st 1943.

D. A. Cramer, Esq.,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Eiko Oshiro. Your File 1656

Replying to your letter of April 17th re the above I find that the property referred to was sold by us to E. Gushiken whose name the property now appears in on our records.

However it may be possible that E. Gushiken was a woman and has since married, her new name being Eiko Oshiro. If such is the case I would be pleased to receive a letter from you stating that this is so. Upon receipt of the letter or information which will establish the fact the E. Gushiken is the same person as Eiko Oshiro we will issue deed as requested by you.

Yours very truly,


E. A. Fountain

ADDRESS REPLY TO
ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION
SERVICE



CANADA
DEPARTMENT
OF
MINES AND RESOURCES
SURVEYS AND ENGINEERING BRANCH

EVACUATION SECTION

MAY 7 1943

File No. 1656
QUOTE FILE by
Referred Cramer

WHITE RIVER, B. C.
May 5th, 1943

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of April 24th, file No. 1656, re certain property in the vicinity of Langley, B. C., supposed to be owned by #10223 Eiko Oshiro.

We find that E. Oshiro purchased this property and had it registered in the name of E. Gushiken which is the maiden name of his wife who apparently is living in Japan.

We believe that he assumed the name Gushiken and that his real intention was to register it in the name of Eiko Gushiken for some reason of his own.

He appears to have the certificate with him but refuses to give it up so that we can send it to you for inspection. If you could tell us exactly what particulars you want, we believe that we can get this for you and even attested to if necessary.

Yours faithfully,

R. M. CORNING
Assistant Engineer

Per:

Title Examiner
Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section
Vancouver, British Columbia

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May 7, 1943.

E.A. Fountain, Esq.,
Township of Langley,
Murrayville, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Eiko OSHIRO &
E. GUSHIKEN

With reference to the following property:

Lots 24, 25 & 26 of the North West 1/4
of Section 25, Twp. 10, Map 2878,
N.W.D.

which was sold to E. Gushiken.

Will you be good enough to send into this
office a certified copy of the deed issued by your
Corporation to the above Japanese. E. Gushiken was
the wife of Eiko Oshiro. We have found this out and
will be very much obliged if you will send this doc-
ument as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

(D.A. Cramer)
for Ian Macpherson
Title Examiner

DAC:FC

ADDRESS REPLY TO
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SURVEYS AND ENGINEERING BRANCH

EVACUATION SECTION	
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FILE NO.	1656
Ans.	lv
Referred	Cramer
	M. G. G. G.

BLUE RIVER, B.C.
May 10th, 1943

Dear Sir:

Re: #10223 Eiko OSHIRO
File No. 1656.

Further to our letter of May 5th, we interviewed this man again and he refuses to allow us to examine the Certificate of Title to the property mentioned in your previous letters.

He is a very sulky individual and states emphatically that he will give no further information.

Yours faithfully,

R. M. CORNING
Assistant Engineer

Per:

Title Examiner
Office of the Custodian
Japanese Evacuation Section
Vancouver, British Columbia

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June 1st, 1943.

Mr. Eiko OSHINO,
Registration No. 10223,
Thunder River, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Blocks 24, 25 and 26, N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$,
Sec. 25, Tp. 10, Langley Municipality

According to information supplied to this office by the Registrar in New Westminster, their records show that the title to the land described above is in the name of the "Corporation of the Township of Langley". As you declared your ownership of this land when you registered your assets with the Custodian on the 19th of March, 1942, we believe it possible that you may own this property but have not done what is necessary to have yourself made the owner in law.

As up to the present time we have no proof of your ownership, would you please go to a Notary Public or Justice of the Peace, take to him the declaration which you will find attached and sign it in his presence. He will then sign it and give it back to you and then you may send it to us with any papers or documents helping to prove your ownership and we can then note you down as the owner and our records will then be right with your declaration to us on March 19th, 1942.

If, however, you are not the owner, would you let us know.

Yours truly,

A. G. McArthur,
Administration Department.

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DAD/P.
Encl.

CRUX & McMASTER

Barristers and Solicitors

G. F. McMASTER
A. G. DUNCAN CRUX

308 RANDALL BUILDING

838 WEST GEORGIA ST.
VANCOUVER, B. C.

TELEPHONE MANAGER 337
ENEMY SECTION

Rec'd **MAR 30 1944**

File No. _____

Ans'd _____

Refer'd _____

1656 March 29, 1944

Department of the Secretary of State
Office of the Custodian
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Attention Mr. Wright

Dear Sir:

Re: Eiko Oshiro; Blocks 24, 25 and 26
of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 25, Twp. 10, Map
2827, Municipality of Langley

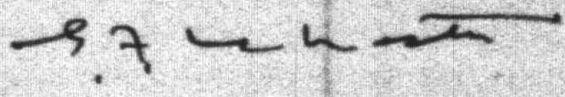
Please find enclosed herewith statutory
declaration of Richmond A. Payne, the former municipal clerk
of the Township of Langley.

You will note in this case that the declaration
indicates that the property was sold to Gushiken, a Japanese
who gave his name as "E. Gushiken" and the conveyance was made to
him and not to Eiko Oshiro as indicated in the information
supplied to us. Being a Japanese, you will still be interested,
of course, and you will no doubt still proceed under Section 23,
Sub 2 of the Regulations Respecting Trading With The Enemy along
the lines indicated in our recent conversation and with respect
to which we had procured the declaration, but there probably
will have to be a more extended recital in the transmission
indicating how Oshiro and Gushiken are related in relation to
the property in question.

We shall await your further instructions herein.

Yours truly,

CRUX & McMASTER

PER 

G. F. McMASTER

GFM/OH
ENCL.



BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	SEP 5 1944
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Ans.	mw
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174 Spadina Avenue,
Toronto 2B, Ontario.

August 29, 1944.

The Custodian,
Office of the Secretary of State,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: Eiko OSHIRO - #10223

On receipt of your letter of August 9th we immediately got in touch with the above mentioned person in regard to the property in his name.

After two or three interviews he has consented to fill out and sign the documents you submitted in the presence of a Notary Public. I am enclosing the documents in question.

I trust that on receipt of these no further problems in regard to the property will remain.

Yours sincerely,

G. E. Trueman

G. E. Trueman,
Placement Officer.

GET/LG
Encs.

DOMINION OF CANADA
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the Matter of Blocks 24, 25 & 26

of the North West quarter of Section 25,

To wit:

Twp. 10, Map 2878, Municipality of Langley,
(District of New Westminster.
of the -----

3. Eiko OSHIRO

of Blue River

in the Province of British Columbia,

Do Solemnly Declare that

1. I purchased in my own name and for myself, solely, the property above described, from the Corporation of the Township of Langley on the 31st day of December, 1936.
2. My wife was not a party to the purchase, and has no property interest in the property.
3. The name under which the purchase was made, that of E. Gushiken, is a name used by me at times and was so used in making this purchase.
4. E. Gushiken and Eiko Oshiro are one and the same person.
5. My marriage to Meiko Gushiken took place at Okinaura-ken, Japan on the 27th day of February, 1917.

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

Toronto, Ontario in the
Province of British Columbia this

29th day of August.

A.D. 1944

Quarantell Bellus

A Notary Public in and for the Province of British Columbia
A Commissioner for taking affidavits within British Columbia

Ontario

Eiko Oshiro

EVACUATION SECTION

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File No. 1656

Ans.

Referred

Macpherson

Blue River, B.C.
August 9th, 1944

Mr. G. E. Truman,
Placement Officer,
B.C. Security Commission,
174 Spadina Avenue,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir:-

Re: 10223 Eiko OSHIRO

We attach copy of a letter received today from Mr. Ian Macpherson of the Custodian's Office, Vancouver, together with Statutory Declaration in duplicate which he asked us to have completed.

Oshiro was formerly of our Thunder River camp, and, according to our records, he is now working for the Maple Leaf Mushroom Farm, Toronto.

In order that you may be conversant with the case, let us explain that Oshiro is a peculiar man and very touchy when approached in connection with this particular piece of property mentioned on the Statutory Declaration.

It appears that sometime prior to his evacuation from the coastal area, he purchased this property and had it registered under an assumed name, Eiko Oshiken. He admitted to us at Thunder River that the maiden name of his wife, whom we understand, is now in Japan, was Oshiken and hence his reason for choosing this name.

If you are able to influence this man to sign the attached documents, we feel satisfied it will be very much appreciated by the Custodian who has had a lot of trouble in getting any satisfaction from him.

Please correspond direct with the Custodian's office in Vancouver. The address is shown on the copy of his letter.

Yours faithfully

S. W. Denton
Officer in Charge

AWB/jog

c.c. Mr. Ian Macpherson

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Farm Appraisal Report

Langley

File No. JL 338

Land Description	Blks. 24, 25, 26, wd. of NW 1/4 Sec. 25, Tp. 10, R. 2, N. 1. D.	Map 2879
Containing	17.38	Acres

Owner's Name Corp. of Township of Langley Post Office Address
Shown on Roll as E. Gusliken, wife of Eiko Guslimo.

Post Office Address

Nearest Rail Point Coghlan

Distance 34 miles.

Market Town Abbotsford

Distance 10 mi

Church (give denomination) Most denominations

Distance 2-34

Nearest School Otter

Distance 24

State how property was identified: Map, boundary fence, old-time resident nearby.

Roads: State whether property has access to main road, the kind of road and its condition.

Has not decent access at present, wagon road in.

Is this district a good one? Only fair.

Employment opportunity Very little within reasonable distance. Berry picking.

Predominating Nationality and religion: Probably British and Protestant but mixed with northern and central Europeans.

Describe Fencing and its condition: West and south line fence of b.w. Value \$

Water supply: Well obtainable.

Value \$

BUILDINGS ON FARM

BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE	X	No buildings.						
BARN	X							
BARN	X							
GRANARY	X							

Light not available here.

Total present day value \$

Total Value Buildings add to farm

Is dwelling habitable without repairs?

If not what is your approximate estimate of cost to make it

habitable?

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Describe the basement and chimneys:

No. rooms downstairs?

Upstairs?

How finished

Are buildings painted?

Condition of paint

Distance from nearest bush

Note: Particular care must be taken when examining and reporting on foundations, sills and roofs.

Cultivated Land

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ACRES	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	KIND AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
Area which can be cultivated without cost other than for breaking.						
	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL		VALUE PER ACRE	
Area which can be cultivated after a reasonable amount of clearing timber, stones, drainage, etc.						
	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB- SOIL	NATURE OF RECLAMATION NECESSARY	RECLAMATION COST PER ACRE	VALUE PER ACRE
17.38	undulating	4"-8" gr. loam on gravel & clay			125.00 up	10.00 173.80
This is a piece of bush land, logged off and most of cordwood off, situated back of settlement with no decent road. It has been burnt over numerous times and a large area is stumps, down rotten logs covered with bracken and new brush. It is only suitable for agriculture in combination with some other cleared area attached and could be gradually cleared up for grazing and finally crops Area Unsuitable for Cultivation. but land is on the whole poor.						
CHARACTER OF LAND E. G. HILLY, SWAMPY, ROCKY.			NATURE OF TIMBER IF ANY AND WHETHER MARKETABLE		VALUE OF LAND PER ACRE	

Total value of Land \$

Total added by buildings to value of farm \$

Total fruit trees add to value of farm (for use in orchard districts only) \$

Total value of farm \$ 173.80

Describe condition of farm commenting on tillage, length of time unoccupied or partly occupied:

Been unoccupied for years. No tillage at all.

State most suitable type of agriculture for farm bearing in mind the district's limitations, if any.

Unfit for agriculture.

Noxious weeds: Natural weeds in bush only.

Give approximate detail and
amount of all annual taxes and
names of Taxing Authorities:

Langley - \$19.03.

Date: June 17, 1942.
Place: Chilliwack, B. C.I certify that the above report is based on a personal examination
of the whole farm made on the 16th day of June, 1942.NO DIAGRAM NECESSARY
R. Inspector's Signature

"R.L. RAMSAY"

Note: (Use Form 43 (Sheet 2) in connection with this form.)

Canada

J.L. No. 328

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JUL 27 1944

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

File No. 1656
Reg. No. 10223

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Mr. Eiko OSHIRO,
Reg. 10223,
Thunder River, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Municipality of Langley- Blocks 24, 25 and 26 of the north
west quarter of Sec. 25, Township 10, Map 2878, District
of New Westminster, C. of T. 109183E.

You have previously been advised that a sale of lands in rural districts was entered into between this Department and The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

Due to the size of this transaction, the arrangements for same and the completion of the transfer have taken a considerable time. Negotiations were started in the early part of 1943 and were based upon valuations made by qualified appraisers and on the basis of a sale effective as at January 1st of that year. This means that the 1943 revenues from the property were for the benefit of the purchasers, but that taxes, fire insurance and other operating charges were assumed by them.

The following is a statement showing the sale price and adjustments:

Sale price of above described property	- - - - -	\$ 171.00
Add:		
Unexpired insurance premium as at January 1st, 1943	- - - - -	
Less:		
Tax arrears to December 31st, 1942	- - - - - \$ 21.83	
Registration fee	- - - - - 3.00	24.83
Encumbrance—Principal	- - - - -	
—Interest	- - - - -	
Net proceeds of sale	- - - - -	146.17

This amount has been placed to your credit and a statement of your account is endorsed hereon showing the present balance on our books. A small amount for legal fees in connection with the conveyance to the Veterans' land will be charged later.

Yours truly,

F. G. SHEARS,
Director.

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Debit

Credit

Balance

Jan. 1 Cr. re Sale of Property

146.17

Land Registry Office- Certificate
of Encumbrance

1.00

145.17 Cr.