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✓ INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

June 7/43

~~Mar 27/43~~

Our File No.

14095

Full Name

NISHI, Jitsue

(Now Mrs. NISHI, (Jitsue) Minoru
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No.

04473

Male - Female

(check)

Age

Former Address

P.O. Box 429, Stenaston, B.C.

Date Evacuated

May 23/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address

Kamloops, 12/7/49
Revelstoke, B.C.

✓ Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife

Name of Husband

Minoru # 04677

Name of Mother

WAKITA, Uno

Name of Father

WAKITA, Saijizo

Names of Children under 16

04465

04472

Requested by

Addie. MacKay

Registered with Custodian

(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Permit Register, sheet 40

Stone Clerk

Something odd about this one: it goes -

04473 NISHI, Jitsue Magna Bay

04473 WAKITA, Jitsue Revelstoke

Take a look at sheet 40 and see what I mean. I gather she is at

Revelstoke permanently, from Magna Bay and is visiting Vernon (temp)

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WISNI, Jitsue (Mrs. Minoru)

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(See WAKITI) (See also File 13086) & 14179)

COMPANY	POLICY NO.	AMOUNT	EXPIRATION			PROPERTY
			MONTH	DAY	YEAR	
Liverpool & London & Globe Ins. Co. Ltd.	<i>Renewed Pol. # 116616</i> 85220	<i>Liverpool London. J.L.L.</i> \$750.00	June	23	1945	SW Corner of First Ave. & Moncton St., Steveston, BC
Liverpool, London & Globe Ins. Co.	<i>Renewed Pol. # 126009</i> 115616	<i>Liverpool London. J.L.L.</i> \$750.00	June	23	1944	74 Moncton St., Lots 6 & 7, Blk. 5, Sec. 10, Steveston, BC
Phoenix Assurance Co. Ltd.	<i>Renewed Pol. # 15655</i> 179720	<i>Phoenix. J.L.L.</i> \$250.	June	23	1944	76 Moncton St., Lot 6 & 7, Blk. 5, Sec. 10, Steveston, BC
Phoenix Assurance Company Ltd.	<i>Transferred to Mrs. Omer. Blockhouse.</i> 182262	<i>23/1/45</i> \$2,500.	June	23	1945	76 Moncton St., Lots 6 & 7, Blk. 5, Sec. 10, Blk. 34, Age 78, Steveston, B.C.
Liverpool & London & Globe Ins. Co.	126009	\$750.00	June	23	1945	76 Moncton St., Lots 6 & 7, Blk. 5, Sec. 10, Blk. 34, Age 78, Steveston, B.C.

MEMORANDUM

EVACUATION SECTION

DATE MAR 10 1943

FILE NO. 13095

BY

W. L. B. B. B.

File: T

P.O. Box 6357
Steveston, B.C.,
9th March 1943.

To: Administration Department,

From: C.C. Robinson

Re: WAKITA, Jitsuo

Prior to the evacuation the above Japanese
secured a lease to Mr. R. J. Blackburn, covering the store
and living quarters located at 75 Munton Street, and
a small hotel or boarding house on the lot at the rear.

Mr. Blackburn has been paying a monthly
rental of \$15.00 for the store and \$10.00 for the hotel.
These monies have been deposited with the Royal Bank of
Canada, Steveston, to the credit of the owner. He has
now decided to pay the rent through this office and we
have received the first payment covering the month of
February 1943.

W.L.B.

W.L.B.

Re: W.L.B. re.
Re: Jitsuo Wakita (details of lease)
Get J.P. complete

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March 16, 1943.

Miss Jitsue WAKITA,
Registration No. 04473,
c/o A. Pradolini,
Mt. McPherson, Big Eddy District,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Your property at Steveston.

We have to advise you that the Custodian is in receipt of information to the effect that the Royal Bank of Canada at Steveston is holding certain monies to the credit of yourself and Hajime and Nobuko Wakita. A part of this credit is made up from rentals which have accrued due from properties in Steveston which were rented without advising the Custodian at the time of your evacuation.

Inquiries have been made concerning Nobuko Wakita and the relationship of this person to you. It appears that Nobuko Wakita is at present in Japan, and the Custodian therefore has requested the Manager of the Royal Bank at Steveston to discontinue paying out any funds from the joint account there held, until such time as the identity of all persons is clarified. Would you therefore be good enough at your earliest convenience to write to this office giving full particulars of the following persons, including their age, sex, family relationship, registration number and present address: Hajime Wakita, Nobuko Wakita, Sajiyo Wakita, Yutaka Wakita, and Yoshigusu Wakita.

At the same time would you please state whether Nobuko Wakita has ever been known by any other name, and also what business Nobuko has been engaged in, if any.

Yours truly,

A. G. McArthur,
Administration Department.

AGM:AS

12966, 13066, 14095.

March 16, 1943.

The Manager,
Royal Bank of Canada,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Hajiro Sakita, File #12966,
Hajime & Yutaka Sakita, File #13066,
Nobuko Sakita, and
Jitsuo Sakita, File #14095.

Thank you very much for your letter of March 4th relative to the account of cert in members of the Sakita family in your bank. We note that the statement of account for the period ending February 23rd, 1943 of Jitsuo Sakita, Hajime Sakita and Nobuko Sakita, or any of them, shows a credit balance as of that date, of \$10,443.37. This information has been very helpful to us but we would still like to know whether Yutaka Sakita or Hajiro Sakita, both of whom appear to be associated owners of property at Steveston, have accounts in your bank. The information already given has reference to Jitsuo, Hajime and Nobuko Sakita only. If Yutaka and Hajiro have accounts we would be glad to have full particulars concerning same.

With reference to the joint account of Jitsuo, Hajime and Nobuko Sakita, it appears from the best information at present obtainable that Nobuko Sakita is in Japan and it will therefore be necessary for us to request you to refrain from honouring any cheques drawn on this account until such time as this office advises you that this may be done. Will you please consider this official notice in this connection. This will not of course, prohibit you from crediting any sums which may be paid in at any time. We are writing to Jitsuo and Hajime Sakita advising them of the action taken by the Custodian.

It is noted from the particulars of the account submitted to us that certain dividends have been credited from time to time. We presume therefore that the Dominion of Canada Bonds have been deposited with your bank. If this is the case,

(over)

P.S. For your information, Sakida and Sakita are interchangeable spellings of the same name. You may find that some accounts are in the name of Sakida.

WCH:MD

A. G. Rowland,
Administration Department

Yours truly,

Would you kindly let this office of perfoliation of these books, and at the same time, any other accounts belonging to any of the Japanese persons mentioned herein, which you are holding.

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March 16, 1943.

Mr. C. C. Robinson,
P.O. Box 635,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: WAKITA, Hajime & Yutaka.

Replying to your letter of March 15th,
we have to advise you that the following are the names
and file numbers of the members of the Wakita family
as far as is known in this office.

Jitsuo WAKITA, Reg. No. 04473, File #14095.

Hajime WAKITA, Reg. # 15866, File #13866.

Shiro WAKITA, Reg. # 04472, File #12966.

Yutaka WAKITA, Reg. # ----- File #14179.

The identity of Nobuko WAKITA, whose name
appears on the Bank records as a joint holder of the account
at the Royal Bank of Canada into which Mr. Blackburn has
been paying his rentals, is unknown at the present time,
but we believe that she is in Japan. We have, therefore,
instructed the Royal Bank to hold this account awaiting
further instructions from our office. In the meantime, all
rent monies should be sent direct to this office.

We have requisitioned searches of the properties
described on the assessment notices directed to the members
of this family, and at the present time are awaiting proof of
ownership, together with an identification of the legal
description with the street addresses in each case.

Yours truly,

A. D. McArthur,
Administration Department.

AGE:AS

Revelstoke, B. C.,
March 19, 1943

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 20 1943
File No.	14095
Ans.	<i>Plum</i>
Referred	<i>McArthur</i>

Dept. of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Your File No. 14095

Dear Sir:

Attention: A. G. McArthur

Referring to your letter of March 16th, the only part of the account I have in The Royal Bank of Canada that is accrued from properties in Steveston is approximately \$100, which is rent from last May. I was not aware that I had to advise you that the property was rented.

Nobuko Wakita is my sister, and is living with my father and mother in Revelstoke.

For your information that is another Nobuko Wakita who is no relation to me, and I understand she is at present in Japan. Her husband is Yoshigusu Wakita and is, I understand, in one of the Japanese road camps. I think of the Revelstoke-Sicamous work.

Also that this ^{family} has nothing to do with our family as they are not related to us, nor have we had any business relations with them now or at any time in the past.

My sister, Nobuko Wakita's registration is 04244.

I think this information should be sufficient to clarify the situation.

Yours truly,

J. Wakita

PLEASE ADDRESS
ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO THE MANAGER

CABLE ADDRESS "ROYALBANK"

The Royal Bank of Canada

INCORPORATED 1869

EXAMINATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 23 1943
File No.	1495-
Ans.	APM
Referred	Russell

McArthur

Victoria, B.C.

March 22, 1943

Department of Secretary of State,
Office of Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir: Re Sajiyo Wakita-Hajime & Yutaka Wakita
 Nobuko Wakita and Jitsue Wakita

With reference to your letter of 16th inst., we do not appear to have an account in the name of Yutaka or Sajiyo Wakita, nor Wakita (interchangeable).

We have noted instructions as to stopping any payments on the account of Jitsue, Hajime and Nabuko Wakita, which has our attention.

Securities held by us are for account of Jitsue Wakita, and consist of \$1,000. par of Dominion of Canada, 1951. and \$500. Dominion of Canada, 1954.

Yours truly,

McArthur
Manager.

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March 23, 1943.

Miss Jitsue WAKITA,
Registration No. 04473,
c/o A. Pradolini,
Mt. McPherson, Big Eddy District,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Madam

Re: Property belonging to your family
in Steveston.

Your letter of March 19th received. We note that you state that Nobuko is your sister and is now living in Revelstoke, B. C. We regret that it has been necessary to exercise the powers vested in the Custodian relative to your account in the Royal Bank at Steveston, but owing to the fact that neither you nor your father or mother, nor Hajime, nor Nobuko, nor your grand-mother, Mrs. Ratsu Wakita, made a declaration to the Custodian concerning property owned in the protected area, it has been necessary to make certain investigations in order to identify the holders of this account. You will recall that the Custodian's Office was open in Steveston previous to your evacuation and a great deal of trouble would have been saved had you and your family availed yourselves of the opportunity to declare your property.

However, we now have on file a complete record of the members of your family, and we are enclosing declaration forms which we request that each member of the family who is 16 years of age or over, complete. These declarations should be made in duplicate and all particulars filled in where required. The two copies are then to be returned to this office without delay, duly signed and witnessed. This information will provide further proof of the identity of the individuals who have an interest in the property, and also in the account in the Bank, and when we receive this we will be in a position to distinguish between the various interests, and release the funds which are not subject to Enemy interest.

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AG:AS
encl.

V. G. Hartman,
Administration Department.

Yours truly,

The handling of your properties, which, under Order in Council, vest in the Custodian, will be greatly facilitated if each one of you fill out down fully and clearly all details of your affairs in the forms enclosed herewith. Extra blank forms are being supplied in order that each of you may keep a copy for reference.

Relative to the money paid in to the bank by Mr. Blackburn, as far as we know at present, the total sum is \$180,00, which properly should have been paid direct to the Custodian from time to time as it became due. We will therefore request the Manager of the Bank to send this sum to this office, where it will be held at your credit in the meantime.

Files #12966,
14257,
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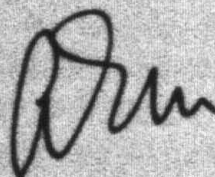
March 24, 1943.

MEMORANDUM.

The family of Sajiro WAKITA, #04472, File 12966,
and his wife Uno, #04465, File 14257, is composed of six
children, namely:

- (1) Jitsue WAKITA, #04473, File #14095, Age. 24.
- (2) Nobuko WAKITA, #04244, File #14255, Age 23.
- (3) Masayo WAKITA, #05618, File #14256, Age 18.
- (4) Hajime WAKITA, #15866, File #13086, Age 16.
- (5) Tataka Sukeji WAKITA, # , File #14179, Age 14.
- (6) Yaeke WAKITA, Age. 12 years.

There is also Natsu WAKITA, #04398, File #14258,
Age 78 years, mother of Sajiro WAKITA.



A. G. McArthur.

AGM:AS

File 14095

Memorandum

File 14095

P. O. Box 635,
Steverson, E. C.,
8th April 1943.

Mr. P. R. Russell

From: C. C. Robinson

Re: WATTS, Salvo

Referring to your memo of the 4th inst., we now
enclose herewith for purpose of record and return, lease
dated 22nd May 1942, WATTS and E. J. Blackburn.

You will find further reference to this matter
under the following file numbers: 14095, 13086, 14179 and
also under WATTS, Hobbs. We have no file number for the
letter.

We note that under clause 17 of the lease the
lessee is responsible for water rates. The receipts for
these will be forwarded in due course.

(Signed) C. C. Robinson

Encl.

cc

12956, 12975, 13086 and 12179

2nd June, 1943.

Messrs. Cooperley Russell & Co.,
225 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Liverpool & London & Globe Policies Nos.
85219, and 85220, and Phoenix Policy No.
126580.

We wish to acknowledge yours of May 1st advising of
expiry of the above numbered policies on June 23rd next. We have
been in touch with our representative at Steveston, Mr. C. C.
Robinson and through him with Mr. Blackburn, the present lessee of
the property, and just as soon as we get some definite information,
we will give you our instructions in connection with renewal of the
above numbered policies.

Should you not hear from us on or before the 23rd of
June, kindly hold us covered and advise us to that effect.

Yours truly,

S. E. Gibson,
Insurance Department.

SEGAAL.

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June 14, 1943.

Mr. F. Bruce Pratt,
Solicitor & Collector,
Bank of Nova Scotia Bldg.,
633 Hastings Street West,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate WILKINSON

Your enquiry of June 8th is acknowledged.

The affairs of the Wilkison family are complicated because of the fact that their declarations of ownership of properties have not been completed. Repeated requests for such declarations have been ignored. When the Custodian is properly informed as to the rights due to the persons concerned in respect of the various properties, he will be in a position to make the proper allocations. For your information, only a few days ago this office solicited the help of the agent of the B. C. Security Commission at Revelstoke in getting this family to put its affairs in order.

As to the store about which you write on behalf of Mr. G. Wilkison, according to our records, it appears to belong to Hajime and Rutaka WILKINSON. Inasmuch as Hajime WILKINSON appears to be claiming an interest in this property, it will clearly be necessary for Hajime and Rutaka to release their claims, which arise from their being the registered owners, before his interest can be recognized. Furthermore, inasmuch as Rutaka WILKINSON does not appear to be registered at all, it will be necessary for his identity and circumstances to be established before his interest can be handled properly.

Please advise Mr. G. Wilkison that when proper and accurate declarations are forthcoming of all interests, allocations will be made without delay.

Yours truly,

Geo. Peters,
Administration Department.

GP:JDS

CC: FILES NOS. 13066, 14071,
14179, 14255, 14256, 14257,
& 14258.

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August 4, 1943.

Caperley, Hounsefell & Company,
846 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Phoenix Policy No. 126560
Liverpool & London & Globe Policy No. 85320

Kindly renew coverage expired under above numbered policies, June 23rd and which you are at present holding covered. Occupancy of the building is still the same, it being rented to H. J. Blackburn who operated general store and occupies living quarters in connection with same.

Please change legal description on property to read as follows: Lots 6 & 7, Blk. 5, Sec. 10 Blk. 3N., Range 7N. Map 249, and being No. 76 Moncton Street, in the Town of Steveston, B. C.

Kindly adhere to instructions in our Form Letter 102, enclosed herewith.

Yours very truly,

S. M. Gibson,
Insurance Department

SMG:JS
Encl.

13086, 14179, 14095

August 17, 1943.

Coperley, Rounsell & Co.,
845 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Phoenix Policy No. 177720
LAG No. 116616

Kindly find our cheque attached for \$64.67 to cover
premium in full on the above numbered policies. Kindly receipt
and return your statement attached hereto.

Yours very truly,

S. H. Gibson,
Insurance Department

SMG:JS

Encl.

P.S. - Kindly endorse the above numbered policies,
making loss payable to the Assured instead
of The Royal Bank of Canada as now written.

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June 9th, 1944

Caperley, Rounsefell & Company
846 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Liverpool & London & Globe #126009
and Phoenix Assurance #182262

We wish to acknowledge with thanks receipt of
the above numbered policies.

Please find enclosed our cheque for \$64.67
being payment in full for the premiums. Kindly return
a receipted statement.

Yours truly,

S.M. Gibson
Insurance Department

SMG:KT
Encl.

14095, 13086 & 14179

May 4, 1945

Mrs. Jitsue NISHI,
Reg. No. 04473,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Madam:

In connection with the Agreement made
May 22, 1942 between yourself as store operator
and H. J. Blackburn, this Agreement expires on
May 22, 1945.

Clause 16 of this Agreement is as follows:-

"Upon the termination of the term hereby demised as
hereinbefore set forth, the Lessee covenants and
agrees to deliver up possession of the store pre-
mises and dwelling quarters to the Store Operator,
together with the store fixtures and equipment and
the furniture and furnishings of the said living
quarters as set forth in the said Schedule "A", and
further covenants and agrees to replace or deliver
to the Store Operator a stock of merchandise similar
to that now transferred to the Lessee and to a
valuation of Six Hundred and Thirty-one Dollars and
Thirty-nine Cents (\$631.39) based upon the wholesale
price at that time."

We have taken up with Mr. Blackburn the matter
of obtaining from him the sum of \$631.39 and have received
the following reply:-

"In regards to the stock left in store by Wakitas, I
would be willing to pay \$366.00 to the Custodian but
I can't see as it is fair to make me pay the price
they say as the stock left in the store was all old
and they charged me retail price. If you would like to
see the list, I have it and a lot of the things they

(Over)

took themselves or sold before they left as they kept
the store open some days after they took stock, so will
you please look into this."

Will you kindly favour us with your comments
on Mr. Blackburn's proposition.

Yours truly,

G. D. Wilson
Administration Department

GDM/GH

THOMPSON & COMPANY
AUCTIONEERS AND APPRAISERS

ESTABLISHED 20 YEARS

ROYAL TRUST BUILDING.
626 PENDER STREET WEST.
VANCOUVER, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 23 1945
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Wakita</i>

May 22nd.1945.

Department of the Secretary of State.
Office of the Custodian.
Royal Bank Bldg.
City.

File #13086 & 14179

Dear Sir:

RE WAKITA STORE. 76 MONCTON ST. STEVESTON.B.C.

As per request of your Mr.Harris, we are enclosing
detailed Inventory & Appraisal of Goods & Chattels in connection
with above party.

Yours truly,
THOMPSON & COMPANY.

N.E. Thompson

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*Appr. to Claim file {13086
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[Signature]

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Gov. Hill
14095
December 30th, 1946.

The Registrar,
Land Registry Office,
Nelson, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Block "C", Cranbrook City, Plan 669.

On November 21st, we sent you for registration
Transmission and Agreement for Sale covering the above
property to Charles Wilmer Marcellus.

As soon as registration of this Agreement had
been completed we requested that a separate acknowledg-
ment be sent to the applicant at this office but so far
we have received no acknowledgment. Kindly let us know
as soon as possible if everything is in order.

Thanking you for your kind attention.

Yours truly,

D. A. Cramer
D. A. Cramer,
Office of the Custodian.

DAC:JS

14095

March 6th, 1947.

Mrs. Jitsue NISHI,
Registration No. 04473,
Revelstoke, B.C.

Dear Madam:

As requested in Sajiro Wakita's letter
of January 25th, we are enclosing herewith an up-to-date state-
ment of your account.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Office of the Custodian.

GP/1a

Encl. - statement of account.

File No. 14095
Reg. No. 04473

Mrs. Minoru NISHI

<u>Date</u>	<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1945 May 18	Proceeds Auction Sale	\$	\$ 175.92	
June 30	Proceeds sale of rice mill and motor		47.50	
July 26	Proceeds Auction Sale		90.59	
October 20	Proceeds Auction Sale		.36	
		<u>\$.00</u>	<u>\$ 314.37</u>	

CR \$ 314.37

Accounting Department
March 5th, 1947

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14th January, 1949.

Mr. Peters of this Office on 12 May 1947 pinned a note to the file of Jitsuo Wakita (14095) as follows:

May 12/47

Toru Wakita left 2 cash registers and a scale at Wakita store c/o Blackburn. Toru's brother was in office today and will have Toru arrange with Jitsuo Nishi formerly Wakita to write this office as to division of funds.

G.P.

Review of files as noted below failed to link any cash registers or a scale to Jitsuo Wakita or any of the Wakita family. Also, Toru declared a cash register which was sold at auction, but did not declare a scale. However, inspection of the file of Hajiro MAKATSU (3334), father of Toru, revealed that he had claimed for a scale and a cash register, both of which are noted on the Analysis of Claim as having been declared but not found.

In view of the fact that Toru was not a resident of Steveston whereas his father Hajiro was, it is considered by the writer that he was the person who left these items with the Wakitas, also, Blackburn as mentioned in Peter's memo above quoted, rented Wakita's store.

Review of the lease granted by the Wakitas to Blackburn notes 1 cash register as having been left in the store for Blackburn's use plus 3 cash registers as having been stored in the Attic. While the Wakita store evidently did a fair business, it is doubtful whether they would need 4 cash registers, also, if they did need some, why didn't they allow Blackburn the use of more than one? One 20¢ scale is noted on the lease inventory, plus another scale which is noted as being stored.

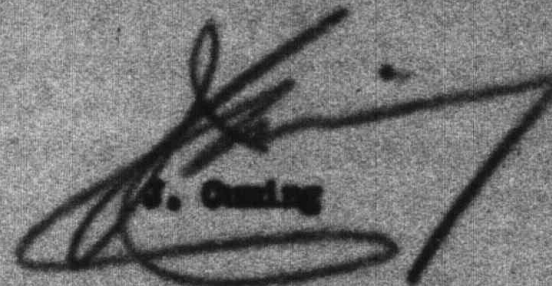
Hajiro MAKATSU's JP inventory quotes the scale as being 30¢, and this might possibly have been mistaken by the Wakita family as 20¢.

The Transcript of Evidence (case 300) Hajiro MAKATSU, notes that it is doubtful whether J.D. Mather actually did inventory the chattels in which he included on his report all items previously declared by Wakita plus a Coca Cola cooler. Page 14 line 20-30 quotes Wakita as saying that Mather never took the inventory as while he was at the store, although Mather's date of report was three days prior to Wakita's evacuation.

It is considered by the writer on the basis of other reports made by Mather that he actually did not take any inventory in this case.

H.J. Blackburn will be contacted at Steveston 32 and his information will be found on a memo of a later date.

Files checked: 13086
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G. Cuning

P.T.O. for Blackburn's remarks 15 Jan 49

NUMBER 11 0/12 JAN 1949.

The writer contacted Mr. Blackburn by telephone this date and Blackburn stated that he had not been informed by either Hinkle or the Hinkles that Hinkle had left 2 cash registers and a scale on the Hinkle property.

He stated that a small scale was stored in an upstairs room together with some cash registers, that the Canadian agent had removed them together with all other Hinkle property prior to mentioned date.

The writer asked Blackburn whether he knew how many cash registers and scales the Hinkles had been using prior to mentioned date, but Blackburn stated that he didn't know. He agreed with the writer that if all cash registers and scales found or listed by the Hinkles as being on the Hinkle property were of those articles in use then the amount of business done by the Hinkles would be great. It would appear that Hinkle might have left the scale and registers with the Hinkles, and a letter will be dispatched this date to that family requesting information re same.

It might be here reiterated that Hinkle is claiming for a scale and one cash register, and has stated to his counsel that these items were left on his own premises. Peter's note, as per the other side of this sheet, not having come to light until recently, Hinkle could not be charged with the fact that he left cash registers when the Hinkles was in program.

Walter, Dept.

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15th January, 1949.

Mr. Masjire NAKATSU,
Box 569,
GREENWOOD, B.C.

Dear Sir,

RE: 2 cash registers
1 scale

On 12th May, 1947 this office was informed by Yoshio SATO at the request of your son Teruo NAKATSU, that you had left with Jitsue NAKITA 2 cash registers and a scale, and your son Teruo stated that he would arrange with Jitsue NAKITA (now Mrs. Nishi) as to a division of funds in view of the fact that these items were apparently sold at auction and credited to the Nakita family.

This office at the present time is attempting to close the files of all members of the Nakita family, and prior to closing of same it is necessary for us to be assured that all persons having any type of claim whatsoever on that family, will be protected.

Will you therefore immediately write this office advising us as to whether you have received compensation from the Nakitas, or whether satisfaction is still to come. If you have not made any arrangements as yet, it is to your interests to immediately notify this office, as if word is not received by us from you by the 25th of this month we shall consider that you have settled affairs and will not consider a later request from you for a division of the funds.

Yours truly,

J. Cuming
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

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3rd February, 1949.

Mr. Hajiro WAKITA,
Raga No. 0444,
HIDWAY, B.C.

Dear Sir,

RE: Chattels left with
Jitens WAKITA (now
Mrs. NISHI)

Receipt of your communication of 29th Jan., 1949
is acknowledged, and your new address has been inscribed on the file.

In your letter you state that the following items
were left by you in the care of Jitens WAKITA (file 14095):

2 cash registers
1 scale
1 new bed, spring & mattress
4 leather-covered chairs
1 old bed

Review of the claim submitted by you for hearing
by the current Royal Commission reveals that you are claiming on
items of a like nature, and the Custodian's defence is that these
items were declared by you, but not found by this office. Are the
items you state were left with Jitens WAKITA those items for which
you are now claiming?

As all articles found on the Wakita premises have
been disposed of by auction etc., would you kindly give full partic-
ulars in regard to the above, as separation of your chattels from
the Wakita's is only possible if all details are known. When the
Custodian agent removed or inventoried the Wakita's chattels, it
was noted that some cash registers and a scale were found in an up-
stairs or attic room were these yours?

Upon receipt of your answers to the above questions
this office will attempt to procure payment for you from the Wakitas.

Yours truly,

J. Canning
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

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June 24th, 1949.

Mr. Seijiro WAKITA,
Registration No. 04472,
Box 435,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Chattels left with Jitsue
NISHI by Naofiro NAKATSU

This office has been advised by Naofiro NAKATSU
(file 3334) that the under-mentioned articles were stored
by him at your former residence in Steveston with Jitsue NISHI,
nee WAKITA:

2 Cash Registers
1 Scale
1 Bed (new), Spring & Mattress
4 Leather-covered Chairs
1 Bed (old)

May this office please be advised by return mail as
to whether this claim is correct.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
J. J. J. J.
Office of the Custodian.

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August 12th, 1949.

Mrs. Mitsuo HIRAI,
Reg. No. 64673,
Hawthorne, N. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Chattels left with you by
Naifiro NAKATA.

We have been advised by the above-mentioned Japanese that the following articles were left by him in your care at the time of his execution, some having been stored by you at your former place of business in Stevenson:

2 Cash Registers
1 Scale
1 Bed (new), Spring & Mattress
4 leather-covered chairs
1 Bed (old)

Upon writing your father, Naifiro Nakita, we were informed by him that "most" of the chattels left in your care had been sent to Nakita at Greenwood.

As the chattels in question were left at Stevenson we are at a loss to understand how they could have been sent back by your family from Hazelton.

Would you kindly advise this office giving all information as to what articles were left with you, what were returned to Nakita, to whom and how they were returned, and what items you or your family still hold.

Your immediate attention is solicited.

Yours truly,

per ER

J. Cuning,
Office of the Custodian.

JL/ER

Nishi's

115 VICTORIA STREET
KAMLOOPS, B. C.

• Yard Goods
Ready-to-Wear

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	SEP 6 1949
File No.	14025
Ans.	
Referred	Cuming.

September 1, 1949.

The Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear sir:

Attention: Mr. J. Cuming signed per E. R.

Re: Chattels left ~~wik~~ at 76 Moncton St.
by Naojiro ~~Nk~~ Nakatsu.

At the time of evacuation Mr. Nakatsu or one of his family has come up to our store at 76 Moncton St. and asked me since his place is to be closed up and no one in charge, he wished that some of his belongings be stored at our place. I remember telling him that we have Mr. Blackburn in charge while we are away and leaving all our belongings in the attic for him to more or less look after and if Mr. Nakatsu would like to do the same it may be safer there than his own place where no one is to stay.

I do not quite remember all of what he brought but I do recall he had a cash register, bedsteads and if I remember correctly he had a rug also.

Shortly after we evacuated, quite a few of our belongings have been sent us to Revelstoke but there were all kinds of things missing. We do not know what happened but the things we more or less packed upstairs temporarily and the feeling we had was that we would be back quite soon and never given a slightest thought that it would take long and may be lost in time. Until you had written us I trusted that Mr. Nakatsu had done whatever he wanted with them. I thought that he had either got rid of them or had them sent to wherever he is long before this.

I am lost to name everything we left in the store and living quarters for there was countless numbers ~~wik~~. And I do not recall what articles were sent to Revelstoke for there was numerous shipments...some in stocks, chinaware, furnitures, etc.

Nishi's

218 VICTORIA STREET
KAMLOOPS, B.C.

• *Yard Goods*
Ready-to-Wear

However, I do think that Mr. Sato, son-in-law of Mr. Nakatsu wanted the rug or the bed steads or if I remember correctly, both wanted sent to Revelstoke and I ~~now~~ think that he has got them. I understood that the rug or the bed steads or part of what Mr. Nakatsu left at our place had belonged to Mr. Sato or his wife.

This is all I know and all we understood was that whatever he left at our place has had nothing to do with us except that Mr. Sato may have part of them sent to him.

Hoping that I have in some way helped clearing the matter.

Yours very truly,

Mr. J. Nishi,

Jitsue Nishi

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December 6th, 1949.

Mr. Sajiro WAKITA,
Registration No. 04472,
Box 439,
Revelstoke, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Receipt of your communication of December 2, 1949,
is acknowledged.

Attached hereto please find two copies of an undated
authority which will have to be signed by Jitens, Hajima and
Tutaka in the presence of witnesses. The witnesses must be per-
sons not connected with the funds.

Upon receipt of one copy of the authority properly
executed, this office will transfer all funds to your account
and forward a cheque for the complete amount in your favour. The
second copy of the authority may be retained by you for your re-
cords.

With the above-mentioned cheque will be enclosed state-
ments of account in the names of each person for whom funds are
presently held, and whatever information appears relevant regard-
ing your accounts receivable.

Yours truly,

J. Goring,
Office of the Custodian.

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December 12th, 1949.

REGISTERED MAIL

Mr. Hajiro WAKITA,
Registration No. 64570,
Box No. 435,
Hawthorne, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of a completed copy of our authority as per our letter to you under date of December 6, 1949.

We have this date transferred from the account of Mitsuo HIRAKI the sum of \$894.97 and from the joint account of Hajiro and Futsuko WAKITA the sum of \$1,539.21 as per statements of their accounts enclosed herewith.

As your own account held the sum of \$2223.93, the above transfers provided you with a credit balance of \$2652.11. A cheque in that amount together with a statement of account to date of balance are enclosed herewith.

With regard to your Accounts Receivable, all efforts have been made by this office to effect settlement either in full or on account, and where any funds were held by this office to the credit of debtors some recovery has been made. At the present time review of these accounts dictates that this office cannot do anything further for you as far as collecting is concerned, unless some debtor unexpectedly acquires a credit balance. Therefore, it is requested that you take over the collection of your accounts without reference to this office. If at any time a debtor does provide us voluntarily with funds or derives a credit balance by ordinary routine, we shall immediately advise you.

Review of your file indicates that you provided your lawyer, Mr. F. B. Frost, with full information regarding outstanding accounts. Procurement of this information from him together with the enclosed statements of account will provide you with all necessary particulars.

In order that we may be assured of your receipt of the enclosed

Mr. Sanjuro WAKITA

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December 12, 1949.

Should please sign, date and return the duplicate copy of this letter in the stamped, self-addressed envelope provided for your convenience.

Yours truly,

J. Goring,
Office of the Custodian.

JG/ML

Enc. - Custodian charges (2042,11)

Statement (5)

Duplicate copy of this letter

File No. 14099
Reg. No. 04473

Litane (Mrs. Hiron) H361

Date	Particulars	Debit	Credit	Balance
1945 May 18	Proceeds Auction Sale		\$ 175.92	
June 30	Proceeds sale of rice mill and motor advertising rice mill and motor	15.40	47.50	
July 26	Proceeds Auction Sale		90.59	
October 26	Proceeds Auction Sale		.36	
		<u>15.40</u>	<u>314.37</u>	
		\$ 15.40	\$ 314.37	

Cash 298.97

Accounting Department
January 15th, 1948

Valley Bldg. 13386 & 14177
Reg. Bldg. 15865 & 17192

Balance & Intake 54617.21

Date	Particulars	Debit	Credit	Balance
1942 December 28	Proceeds Car Sale			
1943 May 20	Land Registry Office - Certificate of Encumbrance	2.00		
August 15	Fire Insurance premium	64.67		
September 13	Water rates collected from tenant		27.00	
	Rotor rates paid	27.00		
October 6	Repairs	25.00		
November 3	Taxes	82.16		
	Rents collected		120.00	
1944 June 12	Fire Insurance premium	14.92		
	Balance 1943 taxes	49.75		
	Water rates	.69		
	1944 taxes	12.00		
	Rents to date	83.89		
August 1	Sale of Property		90.00	
	Valuation		3,050.00	
	Advertising	10.00		
	Land Registry Office Transmission Fee	4.00		
	Fire Insurance adjustments	2.50		
	Taxes - adjustments		44.43	
			28.27	
1945 July 4	Sale of store equipment		115.50	
		\$ 376.78	\$ 3,717.99	

CR \$ 3,339.21

Accounting Department
January 13th, 1948

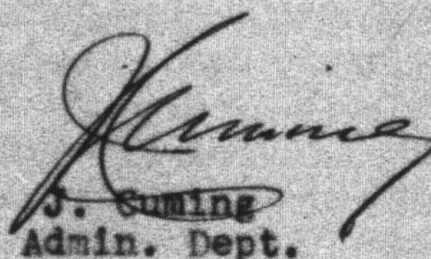
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12th January, 1948.

MEMORANDUM TO FILE

THE CLAIM FOR REAL PROPERTY (76 Moncton St. Steveston) AND
THE CLAIM ON ALL CHATTELS, FIXTURES, STOCK-IN-TRADE ETC
CONNECTED WITH THE WAKITA STORE AT THAT ADDRESS HAVE BEEN
SUMMARIZED ON FILE 13086. ALL DETAILS ARE TO BE FOUND ON
THAT FILE.

JC/..


J. G. Gilling
Admin. Dept.