

Name of Claimant SAKAI, Kazuichi

Case 732

Custodian File 4756

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 & Recorded Now Missing		45% of amount in next preceding column		
						% of Total	Amount			
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
							.00 600.00		420.00	420.00
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			
135.00	101.00	30.30	74.81%	265.00	198.24		228.54			
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										648.54



CASE NO. 732.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION.

Lethbridge, Alberta,  
September 29th, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF  
KAZUICHI SAKAI.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

Original







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In Chief.

THE SECRETARY: Case No. 732, Kazuichi Sakai.

KAZUICHI SAKAI, the claimant herein,  
being first duly sworn, testified  
through the Interpreter as follows:

MR. RUSSELL: Your Honour, in this case there is a claim  
for two fishing vessels. We have been instructed  
to abandon the claim to one of these vessels.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: They are both named "Blue Heaven",  
one is No. 1 and the other is No. 2.

10 MR. RICE: I think it is "Blue Heaven" is one and the  
other is "Blue Heaven No. 2".

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: No, 1 and 2.

MR. RICE: No, just "Blue Heaven" is the name of one  
vessel and "Blue Heaven No. 2" is the name of  
the other one.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: According to Paragraph 5 (d)  
in the proof of claim.

MR. RICE: The way I have it listed is "Blue Heaven"  
and then in brackets "K.S."

20 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Oh, I see.

MR. RUSSELL: The fishing vessel, "Blue Heaven No. 1",  
which was sold for \$5500.00 is being abandoned,  
or the claim for that is being abandoned. And in  
the summary of evidence...

MR. RICE: ...Just a minute. As I understand it, the  
"Blue Heaven" has no further designation on it  
than that, and the purchase price on that vessel  
was \$3180.00.

30 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: It appears in the claim as  
\$5500.00; that is the one that he is abandoning.



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MR. RUSSELL: You will see in your analysis there is one that was sold for \$5500.00; that is the one we are abandoning. It is the one for which we are claiming \$5500.00, or were claiming \$5500.00, and which was sold for \$4100.00.

MR. RICE: The one sold for \$4100.00 is being abandoned?

MR. RUSSELL: Yes, that is right.

MR. RICE: That is different.

MR. RUSSELL: The one that was sold for \$3180.00 we are still claiming for, and the notation on page 7 of the summary of evidence which says, "Re: 'Blue Heaven No. 2': Sold in May, 1942," can be struck out as well.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Well, I have not got it yet; you have not put it in.

MR. RUSSELL: I will strike it out before it goes in then.

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUSSELL:

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Q This is your summary of evidence in support of your claim, Mr. Sakai? A: Yes.

Q This was prepared upon your instructions and signed by yourself? A: Yes.

Q And you instructed me to abandon the claim for the one vessel which I have just spoken to His Honour about? A: Yes.

Q You have instructed me to abandon the claim for one vessel, is that right? A: Yes.

Q You are still claiming for this boat here (indicating)?

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A Yes.



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Q But there is one boat which you are not claiming  
for? A: Yes.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: And the one that he is not  
claiming for is the one that you mentioned?

MR. RUSSELL: Yes. I will put the summary in as an  
exhibit.

(SUMMARY MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

MR. RUSSELL: Q: You are claiming under your real  
property for a building? A: Yes.

10 Q How did you come to own that building?

A It was handed over to me by my father.

Q Was that a gift of it?

A Yes.

Q Where was this dwelling house for which you are  
claiming located? A: Ucluelet.

Q Did you ever live in it? A: Yes.

Q Did it have plumbing? A: No.

Q Was it on a foundation at all?

A We had a well and the pump. It wasn't cement.

20 Q It wasn't cement? A: No.

Q I notice here you say that the cost of the  
building is \$1000.00. How do you know that  
it cost \$1000.00? A: For building I

think it would be more.

Q It would be more? A: Yes.

Q Why do you say it cost \$1000.00 then?

A Oh, by the time I got from my father, you know.

Q That was the value, depreciated value of the  
building? A: Yes.

20 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: When did he get it from his father?



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A I think it was about 1932.

MR. RUSSELL: Q: Do you know what it cost your father  
to build?

A: No, it was built  
so early, you know, and I was away for awhile, you  
know, and I don't know how much it cost him to  
build it.

Q Well, what you have done really is you have just  
assessed a value now of what you think that  
building is, is that what that \$1000.00 represents?

10 A Yes.

Q Well, did you have any basis of arriving at the  
value of \$1000.00? A: It was half of a  
duplex house, two houses joined together, in other  
words.

Q Yes? A: And it had a porch  
in front and a shed behind, and that is my estimate  
of a fair price, \$1000.00.

Q Well, have you any experience in evaluating houses?  
Why did you say \$1000.00?

20 A Yes, a little experience.

Q I see. What experience have you had in evaluating  
houses and so on? A: I am doing carpentry  
work now.

Q And from your knowledge of carpentry work, do you  
think that this house was worth \$1000.00 when you  
were evacuated? A: Yes.

Q I notice you are claiming for nets and fishing  
tackle and so on here, and a lot of the equipment  
that you are claiming for was new?

30 A Yes.



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Q How did it happen that so much of it was new when you left? A: Since I left there, you know, I wasn't at home, you know; I was in Steveston at that time, you know.

Q Yes? A: And for the trolling tackles I need more stuff what I claim there, hooks and swivels and stuff, and before I came here or know I was coming here I was out in Steveston for five or six months, and I haven't got the chance to go up to my own house to clear the things by myself, you know, and I can't remember what, you know, because when I was living there in that time, well, I collect everything in the place, well, I did collect lots, you know, but when I was living for somewhere else for a long time, or something like that, and I put together and I would know, but I was in Steveston and I can't tell so many of the stuffs, so that I left quite a bit of things.

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20 Q Where were all these nets and so on?

A In Ucluelet, it is in the island, and I was up near Vancouver at that time.

Q You had been in Steveston about four or five months, you say? A: Yes.

Q And when you left Ucluelet these nets and so on were there, is that right?

A Yes.

Q So far as the best of your knowledge goes?

A Yes.

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Q Well, you haven't answered my question. I notice



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you have 2400 feet of wire which was new, two dozen spoons which were new, 500 pounds of lead of which 200 pounds was new, and I just wondered how it happened that it was all new. Had you just started fishing?

A No. I got lot of old things but I put in the boat for the ballast, old nets.

Q You put it in the boat for ballast?

A Yes. We need about 300 pounds, I mean about three  
10 tons of rocks or lead anyway for the boat ballast for tipping, you know, in the waves; that is why I don't know how many pounds, about six or seven hundred pounds always I did carry in the boat.

Q Well, you are just claiming for your best nets, is that it? A: Yes, best nets, whatever I figure.

Q This list is not by any means all of your nets, is that right? A: Yes. I have  
20 a bunch of old ones, hooks and stuff left, but I can't tell you how much of the new it was too, because you don't like to do the things in the wrong, you know, so that I don't say for the old ones, you know, and whatever I figured or could tell on the new I just write it down.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Q: What about these 1500 lbs. of nets, is that the old stuff that was at the bottom of the boat? A: No, that is in the net house at Ucluelet.

Q Oh, I see.

30 MR. RUSSELL: Q: On page 6 of your personal property



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summary you claim a net house which was built in 1934. You say that you paid \$50.00 for it and you value it at \$50.00 in 1942; was that right?

A No, we didn't build it, we bought it.

Q I didn't say that you bought it or built it, I say that you value it now or you valued it when you were evacuated at \$50.00?

A Yes.

Q How do you explain that the building didn't go down in value over a period of seven or eight years?

A: Well, it was a poor building, you know, when we bought it, you know, and it isn't on the, what you call it, the foundation, cement foundation or something like that.

Q I see. A: Just what I don't know how I could explain it to you or not, but it could float on the waters, a log house like, and it makes floors lumpy too, but after we bought it we did repairs, you know, so that I figured it wouldn't be any difference between then and it would be worth more than when I bought it.

Q I see. Now, in your summary of evidence you list a bed-room suite, a mattress, chiffonier, dresser, bench and bed?

A: Yes.

Q Now, that altogether cost \$135.00. Is that what that means? You see here (indicating)?

A Yes.

Q When were you evacuated? When did you leave? When were you evacuated from B.C.?

A In May, I think.

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Q Of what year? A: 1942.

Q Now, you bought this bed-room suite in 1941?

A Yes.

Q And you paid \$135.00 for it?

A Yes.

Q You say that when you were evacuated it was still worth \$135.00, you see? Why had that not gone down in value?

A: Well, it is worth just the same for me. Well, it was brand new. Well, I did use it.

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Q You used it a little bit, is that it?

A Yes.

Q Does the same apply to the quilts?

A The quilts, we never use it.

Q You never used them at all?

A No.

Q Why would you buy ten quilts and never use them?

A Well, I got to tell you, when we married, you know, and she brought it over with her.

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Q Oh, I see. A: So that I can hardly tell, but it had been used about three months or so, and that is why.

Q I see. A: She got it but she leave it at home and when we married and we use about three months or so, and we haven't got any time to use the quilts or anything like that, and we leave it. The bed-room suite, that is the \$135.00 value, the bed-room suite was used for about three months or so, but the quilts weren't used at all.

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Q I see. Now, you are claiming for a boat which I think you described, I don't know what the name of it was for sure, but you describe it as 36 feet long, eight feet six inches wide, and you bought it in 1940. That is the boat that you are claiming for. May be you can tell me, Did you have two boats called "Blue Heaven"?

A Yes.

Q Did one have "Blue Heaven 1" in front of it?

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A No, we haven't.

Q How did you identify the different boats?

A Well, when we was registering it they was chasing after us, but we still got the same "Blue Heavens" and haven't got the numbers on them.

Q Well, the boat I am speaking of had a 30 horsepower Vivian gas engine in it; do you know that one?

A Yes.

Q Now, you say you paid \$4000.00 for that boat?

A Yes.

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Q Who did you pay that money to?

A Well, that goes to the carpenters and engines and what we bought by the parts, tanks and stoves, and we paid that.

Q Did it come to exactly \$4000.00?

A It must be a little more or a little less, but I can't remember properly, you know, because my old man's been working on it, and while I figure that way, even not bad, but I thought it should be about \$4000.00, that is what I put in the claim, but I should like to put more, but after the

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father give me a letter for the nets, you know, and I find out how much the nets new cost, you know, and I ask for the claim, you know, and I don't like to charge too much up, so that I just for the nets \$400.00, but father give letter \$500.00, but the net new would cost about \$1500.00, but I still claim for net \$400.00.

Q But to get back to this boat; you say it cost you \$4000.00? A: Yes.

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Q This boat motor that you speak of, was it a new motor when you bought it? A: Yes, everything was new.

Q Do you know how much the motor cost?

A Yes.

Q How much? A: \$1100.00.

Q Do you know how much the cost was to have the hull built? A: About \$1400.00.

Q About \$1400.00? A: Yes.

Q What other fittings were there new on the boat?

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A Well, we got the sinks and the stoves and the mattress and these other things, range, and all that.

Q Was that included in the cost?

A Yes.

Q It was in the cost? A: Yes.

Q And considering all those items you decided that \$4000.00 was what you paid for the boat?

A Yes, just when we got it down on the water, but after I got to put on the drawers and things then, and I just work on it.

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Q I notice you re-planked the hull in 1941?



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A Yes, just before I left to here, it was about four or five months ago, but the boat was taken before that.

Q And I notice that you painted the vessel in 1941?

A Yes, we used to paint every year.

Q You used to paint every year?

A Yes, and at the bottom we used to paint about three or four times a year.

10 Q Well, you say the boat cost approximately \$4000.00, and you re-planked it for \$20.00, and you painted it for \$50.00, and yet you say in '42 it is valued at \$4600.00. Now, why had it gone up in value over and above its original cost of \$4000.00?

A That means I carried the leads in that boat.

20 Q Leads? A: Yes, for the ballast and I been working on her for making the drawers and everything else, whatever I like to, and I just let the carpenters done the halfway, not exactly halfway, three-quarters way down, and then after I take it and I got the boards and I work on it.

Q And you tell me or estimate your work after this cost was laid down came to about \$600.00?

A Yes.

Q I see. All right.

30 MR. RICE: I am submitting, your Honour, that there has been no evidence or sufficient evidence before you to show that the claimant here has any title to the buildingx which he claims was given to him by his father. His father is a Japanese national



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and any property belonging to him would be confiscated by Canada for the benefit of Canada until a treaty of peace determines what happens to the property of Japanese nationals in this country.

MR. RUSSELL: Of course, that is since the war; this gift was made considerably prior to the war.

10 MR. RICE: That is just the point, the gift was made by a Japanese national. There is nothing to substantiate the gift. There is no record whatever here of the gift.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Well, that is for Mr. Justice Bird to adjudicate upon on the evidence before him.

20 MR. RICE: I am submitting that the chattels were sold for their fair market value. I am submitting that the vessel was sold by the claimant through his attorney at an agreed price of \$3100.00. I am submitting that certain articles that there is no record of at any time, the Custodian cannot be held responsible for, and if the Custodian is responsible for any goods or chattels of the claimant the claim made to the same is exorbitant.

I wish to tender as an exhibit an analysis of personal property claim.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q I show you a J.P. form dated the 21st of April, 1942 (indicating); does that bear your signature?

30 A Yes.



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Q That is your document, your J.P. form, where you declared what property you left in the evacuated area?

A: Yes, that is my signature.

MR. RICE: I tender this document as an exhibit.

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

MR. RICE: I really don't understand why my learned friend does not admit this second claim, or abandon the claim to the second vessel. I mean, we have documents here showing that the claimant signed a Power of Attorney authorizing the sale of the vessel, and it was sold at \$3180.00.

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THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Well, will Mr. Russell admit it?

MR. RICE: I don't want to press the matter, but it might save time.

MR. RUSSELL: I think, your Honour, that is a technical matter that will have to be argued later on, whether the Power of Attorney was valid.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I see. All right.

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MR. RICE: Q: I show you a Power of Attorney dated the 27th of April, 1942 (indicating); is that right?

A Yes.

Q And it is from yourself to Hideo Fukuyama. Does that bear your signature? A: Yes, that is my signature.

Q That is your signature? A: Yes.

Q And that is a Power of Attorney that you gave Hideo Fukuyama on the 27th of April, 1942, is that right? A: Yes.

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MR. RICE: I will tender the Power of Attorney, your



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Honour, as an exhibit.

(POWER OF ATTORNEY MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4).

MR. RICE: And I would point out that the claimant herein appointed Hideo Fukuyama as his true and lawful attorney to execute any documents of any nature whatsoever that may be required by the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee relative to the transfer of the vessel to owners who are not of Japanese origin, and to execute any documents of any nature whatsoever in connection with the sale, transfer, release or discharge of the vessel. The name of the vessel is "K.S.", the port of registry, Vancouver, B.C., official number or licence, 2896 N.W.

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Q That vessel was known by "K.S.", was it not?

A Yes.

Q It had the name "Blue Heaven" and had the other name "K.S."?

A Yes.

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THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: "Blue Heaven No. 2". It is known as "Blue Heaven No. 2" on the record.

MR. RICE: Yes, but the real name of the vessel was "K.S."

Q I show you another document (indicating); is that the registration document of your vessel?

A Yes.

Q That document was completed by you or under your instructions?  
A: Yes, my father.

Q It was completed on your father's instructions?

A Yes.

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Q And your father owned this boat, or did you own it?



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A He put the names in my name, but, well, he just give it to me.

Q Oh, I see. It is really your father's boat then?

A But in the register it was my name on it.

Q Oh, I see. Your father put it? Your father bought it?

A Put the money in for me and he just ordered for me.

Q It was your father's money that bought the boat, but it was put in your name? A: Yes.

Q And your father said that the value of the boat at the time this document was prepared was \$3500.00? That is on there (indicating). Is that right?

A I believe this refers to when the boat was first built.

Q Well, it says there "present value" both in English and in Japanese, does it not?

A The witness wants to know when this was prepared.

Q I don't know. You prepared it, did you not? That is a copy of the registration sheet of your boat, is it not? A: Yes.

Q It is. I will tender that as an exhibit, your Honour. It speaks for itself. It is a copy of the registration sheet of the claimant's boat.

(DOCUMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5).

MR. RICE: I produce as an exhibit an agreement for sale of the vessel completed by the claimant's attorney Fukuyama.

(AGREEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 6).

MR. RICE: It shows that the vessel was sold to His Majesty the King as represented by the Minister of Munitions and Supply, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,



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on the 29th of September, 1942, at a price of \$3180.00 cash. In this agreement the boat is described by two names "Blue Heaven" and "K.S."

Q You are claiming for 2400 feet of wire. What kind of wire?  
A: Stainless wire for trolling main line.

Q What size?  
A: I couldn't tell you the size.

Q I should think it would make a lot of difference in the price of it?  
A: No, there is no difference in the size for main trolling wire.

Q There is no difference in the size?

A No.

Q You don't know what size it is?

A No.

Q How many rolls or spools were there?

A There is eight.

Q There were eight spools complete?

A Eight.

20 Q How much a spool?  
A: About 50 fathoms on one spool.

Q How much did it cost a spool?

A About \$11.25 600 fathom.

Q A spool cost how much?  
A: 600 fathom. They sell it 600 fathom. No, 600 feet.

Q How many feet was on a spool then?

A I make a mistake.

Q Correct yourself; I am not trying to confuse you.

A I was just telling you the trolling machine, but for the rools or spools, you know, new spools have



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600 feet, 100 fathoms, in each spool; some got 150 fathoms.

Q You said there were eight spools?

A No, that is the whole thing then. I was talking about the trolling machine, but that is spool too.

Q Well, you say there is 2400 feet of wire, and you say that it was on eight spools, is that correct?

A No, that isn't enough for all lines.

Q Well, would there be more spools than eight, or less?

10 A For the spools, you know, you require on the spools, on the trolling equipment on the boat, you require 50 fathoms for each spool, and there was eight spools there.

Q How long had you been using this wire?

A One wire is brand new and the rest been using for a years; and some about three year stuff, but I can't use it.

Q You say one wire was brand new?

A Yes, just ready for next Spring, you know.

20 Q And how long was that one wire?

A About 200 fathoms, I think.

Q 1200 feet, six feet to a fathom?

A Yes.

Q 1200 feet new then? A: Yes.

Q The rest of it was old wire? A: Yes, a year.

Q With kinks in it too, I suppose?

A I don't write down, but there is lots of old wires I didn't set it down because no use doing it.

Q You have got it down here 2400 feet of new wire;

30 now you tell me 1200 feet of new wire?



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A Gosh, there must be a mistake then.

Q You must have the mistakes, not me; I am just telling you what your claim shows.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I understood him to say that it was 1200 feet that he was claiming for.

MR. RICE: No, he said 2400 feet new wire.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER; But according to his earlier evidence, 1200 feet was all he is claiming for.

MR. RICE: No, it was new wire.

10 A The balance was a year old.

Q In your personal property claim you value a stove you bought in 1939 for \$20.00, and you have got it stepped up to \$35.00. What jumped that stove in price?

A: No, I didn't get that for \$20.00.

Q That is what your claim says.

MR. RUSSELL: No, that was taken out.

MR. RICE: It wasn't taken out of this claim.

MR. RUSSELL: There are lines over it.

20 MR. RICE: Not in this one. The lines are over the top.

A It is rubbed here.

Q How much did you buy it for?

A About \$40.00.

Q Do you know how much? A: I don't know. It was my father bought it.

Q It was your father's stove; it isn't your stove?

A I can't get that.

Q It was your father's stove, it isn't yours, is it?

A Yes, everything was my father's, but he give it to me, the house and everything.



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Q When did your father go back to Japan?

A After this war.

Q After the war? A: Yes.

THE SUB' COMMISSIONER: Q: You mean after the war finished?

A Yes.

MR. RICE: Q: After the war finished?

A Yes.

Q What did he do, go on the first boat?

A No.

10 Q Well, he declared himself a national, didn't he,  
and wanted to go back?

A I don't know what conditions he went back on, but  
he went back.

Q Did your mother go back with him?

A Yes, mother was in the Old Country before.

Q Oh, I see. The dishes that you value at \$50.00,  
you are just guessing at that?

A Yes, because there is nobody to watch.

Q And the books that you value at \$25.00, that is  
another big guess, isn't it?

A Oh, I think I got more than that; I got Old Country's  
books and this country's books.

Q And you might have less than that too?

A No, not less than that.

MR. RICE: I point out that my learned friend's adding  
machine is on the hummer again on this claim, as  
these things total to \$500.00 instead of \$535.00.  
(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

I hereby certify the transcript correct.

"S.R.HOWARD" Official Reporter *[Signature]*

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

*[Signature]*  
SUB-COMMISSIONER.



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## Proof of Claim

IN THE MATTER OF Order-in-Council P.C. 1810, as amended by Order-in-Council P.C. 3737; and

IN THE MATTER OF "THE INQUIRIES ACT" being Chapter 99 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1927, and

IN THE MATTER OF a Commission appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims of persons of the Japanese Race under said Orders-in-Council.

1. Name of Claimant in full: Kazuichi Sakai  
Registration No. No. 11130
2. Claimant's address at the time of his evacuation from the protected area:  
Ucluelet, British Columbia.
3. Claimant's present address: P.O. Box 502, Taber, Alta.
4. Claim relating to real property:
- (a) Street address of real property: Ucluelet, B.C.
- (b) Legal description of property:



- (c) Type of real property, i.e., farm, residence, commercial, etc., and short description of it:

House- 60' X 26', 8 rooms

- (d) Title or interest held by Claimant in the real property:

Owned between Kazuichi Sakai and Hirokichi Hama. On a fifty-fifty basis.

- (e) Fair market value of real property at date of sale:

- (I) Land— \$  
(II) Buildings— \$1000.00

- (f) Amount of loss alleged to have been sustained by the Claimant under the terms of reference:

\$ Total loss of \$500.00, which will be my share.

5. Claims relating to personal property, etc.

- (a) Location at which property was left by Claimant at date of evacuation:

Senkichi Nishi, 155 Moncton st. Steveston, B.C.  
Ucluelet, B.C. In my house.

- (b) Type of premises in which property was left by Claimant and manner in which that property was stored or packed at time of evacuation:

Packed in a wooden case and stored in the room.



(c) In whose care was property left by the Claimant at date of evacuation?

Custodians of Enemy Properties.

(d) Itemized and detailed description of the property which is the subject of the claim, and itemized value thereof at the time of sale, loss or destruction:

Fishing Vessel ' Blue Heaven ' No. 1	
Length 39', Width 9", Depth 5',	
Powered by 40 h.p. Fairbank Morse Diesel Engine.	\$5500.00
Fishing Vessel ' Blue Heaven ' No. 2	
Length 38', Width 8' Depth 5',	
Powered by 30 h.p. Vivian Gas Engine.	4600.00
Net House	50.00
Nets	400.00
Trolling Tackle	200.00
House Utensil	300.00
Bed Room Suite	135.00
Quilts	50.00
	<u>11235.00</u>

(e) Amount of loss alleged to have been sustained by Claimant under the terms of reference:

\$11235.00 minus \$7159.15 equals \$4075.85

6. I desire that my claim be heard at the City of Lethbridge in the Province of Alberta.

7. An Interpreter will.....be required.

DATED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of ~~October~~ <sup>November</sup>, A.D. 1947.

*Ramsay Sanderson*  
Witness to Signature of Claimant.

*Kazuichi Sakai*  
Signature of Claimant.



STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, Kazuichi Sakai  
(Full Name of Claimant)

of P.O. Box 502, Taber, Alta. Farmer  
(Present Address) (Occupation)

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE:

1. I am the above named Claimant.
2. I have a personal and full knowledge of the circumstances and facts relating to the Claim above referred to.
3. The above Claim is true and correct.
4. I have not received any payment upon the above Claim other than the following:

Blue Heaven No. 1	\$4100.00
Blue Heaven No. 2	3000.00
Bedroom suite	59.15

And I make this declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of The Canada Evidence Act.

DECLARED at Taber  
in the Province of Alberta,  
this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November  
A.D. 1947.

*Kazuichi Sakai*

Samson Sanderson  
A Commissioner for Oaths in and for  
the Province of Alberta.

VIRTUE & RUSSELL  
Barristers & Solicitors  
Lethbridge, Alberta.



IN THE MATTER OF Order-in-Council  
P.C. 1810, as amended by Order-in-Council  
P.C. 3737; and

(Full Name of Claimant)

IN THE MATTER OF "THE INQUIRIES  
ACT" being Chapted 99 of the Revised  
Statutes of Canada, 1927, and

(Occupation)

IN THE MATTER OF a Commission  
appointed to inquire into and report upon  
the claims of persons of the Japanese Race  
under said Orders-in-Council.

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE:

1. I am the above named Claimant.
2. I have a personal and full knowledge of the circumstances and facts relating to the Claim above referred to.
3. The above Claim is true and correct.
4. I have not received any payment upon the above Claim other than the following:

Bedroom suite  
even No. 1  
even No. 2  
3000.00  
2400.00  
25.15

## Proof of Claim

And I make this declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of The Canada Evidence Act.

DECLARED at

in the Province of Alberta,

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

A.D. 1947.

A Commissioner for Oaths in and for  
the Province of Alberta.

**VIRTUE & RUSSELL**  
Barristers & Solicitors,  
Lethbridge, Alberta.



JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

Claim No. 95

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF CLAIM

The Following are Particulars of the Claim:

1. Claimant's Name In Full: **Kazuichi SAKAI**

EXHIBIT NO.

732-1

DATE

Sept 29/48

FILLED BY

W. S. Russell

2. Registration Number: **11030**

3. Present Address: **TABER, Alberta. P.O. Box 502.**

4. Address Prior To Evacuation: **Ucluelet, B.C.**



5. LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Parcel 1.

(If more than one parcel, list each separately, beginning as Parcel 1, Parcel 2, etc. with following particulars covering each parcel separately on individual sheets)

Claimant makes a claim for a house situated on leased land. The land itself was the Property of Stanly, Littleton, Ucuelet, B.C.

The house was originally owned jointly by Hirokichi Hama, and Claimants father. Mr. Sakai Sr. gave his share in the house to the Claimant. Mr. Sakai now resides in Japan.

Therefore Claimant makes a claim for a one-half share in the house.

Street Address of House

Legal Description of Property House Situated on.

- (a) Nearest Post Office adjacent to land. Ucluelet, B.C.
- (b) Number of acres:
- (c) When purchased: (Claimant received house from father in 1932)
- (d) Condition when purchased: <sup>Does not know when house was purchased by father.</sup> (Give improvements and values in detail as of date of purchase)

The house was in fairly good condition when ~~purchase~~ given to the Claimant.

(e) Purchase Price ..(gift)..... \$ (gift)

6. IMPROVEMENTS:

(a) Clearing.....	acres at \$.....	per acre \$
(b) Fencing		\$
(c) Tillage		\$
(d) Drainage		\$
(e) Weed Eradication		\$
(f) Planting		\$
(g)		\$
(h)		\$ _____
	Total	\$ <u>See page 3.</u>
	Carried Forward	\$



Brought forward

\$ nil

(i) Buildings:

ITEM	SIZE	YEAR BUILT	MATERIAL COST	LABOR COST	COST (TOTAL)
<u>Dwelling house eight rooms, referred to on page 2.</u>					
	60 x 26	1923	.....	.....	1000.00

Total Cost of Buildings \$1000.00 \$1000.00

Total Cost of Land and All Improvements ..... \$ 1000.00

Fair Market Value ..... \$ 1000.00

Sold by Custodian for ~~(received nothing.)~~ ..... \$ nil

Loss Claimed on Parcel 1 ~~half interest in total~~ ..... \$ 500.00  
fair market value

8. Assessment for 1942:

Land ..... \$

Improvements .... \$

Total ..... \$



Parcel 2:- (Add additional sheets if necessary)

(Give exactly the same information as in paragraphs 5 to 12 above)

13. SUMMARY OF LOSSES ON REAL PROPERTY:

Parcel 1 .....	\$ 500.00
Parcel 2 .....	\$
Parcel 3 .....	\$
Parcel 4 .....	\$

TOTAL:

\$ 500.00



NETS, CORK LINES & LEAD LINES

TYPE	PLY	SIZE	MESH	FATHOMS	SEASONS USED	PRICE NEW	ESTIMATED VALUE	REMARKS	
Nets							\$		
<u>Trolling Tackle</u>									
2400' wire					new	54.00	54.00		
2 doz. spoons (Wonder #7)					new	14.00	14.00		
500 lb. lead					200 lb. new		30.00		
1500' old					7 mo.	33.75	30.00		
5 doz. spoons (Wonder \$)					used	35.00	20 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> 00		
Manila Cotton line (250 lb. 9 bundles)		1/4"			new & used	56.30	52.00		
							TOTAL	\$ 200.00	
<u>Nets</u>									
1500 lb.		3"	20	150	3	900.00	200.00		
Cork Lines									
2500 pieces corks		6"			3	300.00	75.00		
Cork line (200 lb.)					1	50.00	25.00		
Lead Lines									
2000 lb. lead					3	160.00	80.00		
Ring-70 pieces					3	35.00	20.00		
							TOTAL	\$ 400.00	

Total Value Trolling Tackle Nets etc. \$ 600.00

Sold by Custodian for NIL

Claim \$ 600.00



PERSONAL PROPERTY:

ITEM	YEAR PURCHASED	PRICE PAID	VALUE	REMARKS
Net house 14 x 24	1934	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	kept in good shape
<u>House Utensils</u>				
hand saw			5.00	
saw setter & file			4.00	
bloom			1.00	
axe & 8 picks			16.00	
big wood cutting saw	1940	17.00	15.00	
lamp 3			10.00	
cupboard	1932	25.00	15.00	
10 knives			10.00	
12 aprons	1938	36.00	20.00	
carpet	1939	20.00	10.00	
stove range	1939	<del>20.00</del>	35.00	
dishes			50.00	
5 chairs			15.00	
1 bed			12.00	
sledge hammer & Wage			3.00	
Rubber boots			5.00	
coal oil & can			4.00	
table			5.00	
books			25.00	
square			3.00	
hammer			2.00	
<u>Bed Room Suite</u>				
mattress				
chiffonier				
dresser	1941	135.00	135.00	
bench				
bed				
Quilts (10 approx.)	1941	50.00	<u>50.00</u>	
		TOTAL	\$ 535.00	

(ADD ADDITIONAL PAGE IF NECESSARY)

(IF CLAIM FOR VESSEL DESCRIBE ON SEPARATE SHEET NUMBERED 6 A)



VESSEL....."Blue Heaven No. 2."

LENGTH 36'                      BREADTH 8½' 6"                      DEPTH 5'

PURCHASED.....1940

NEW AT PURCHASE

PRICE PAID.....\$4000.00

RE-PLANKED HULL IN 1941....\$20.00

PAINTING VESSEL IN 1941....\$50.00

VALUE AT DATE OF SALE (September, 1942).....\$ 4600.00

SOLD FOR..... 3180.00

\$ 1420.00

RE: "BLUE HEAVEN NO.2":

~~Sold in May, 1942~~

~~Agreement for Sale, May 27th, 1942~~

~~Sakai and British Admiralty~~

~~Signed by Sakai.~~



**PAYMENTS RECEIVED FROM CUSTODIAN ON**  
**PERSONAL PROPERTY**

<u>Item:</u>	<u>Year:</u>	<u>Month:</u>	<u>Amount.</u>
Bed Room Suite	1947	September	\$ 59.15

Total: \$ 59.15

Total Claim for Personal Property ..... \$ 535.00  
Deduct Payments from Custodian ..... \$ 59.15  
Net Loss on Personal Property ..... \$ 475.85

I Certify the above to be True and Correct.

Chas. H. Vint  
Witness

T. Sakai  
Signature of Claimant.



# ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

FILE No. 4756

EXHIBIT No. \_\_\_\_\_

NAME SAHAI, KAZUICHI

REG. No. 11130

DATE		INVENTORY	DETAILS OF CLAIM		SALES		SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND
DECLARATION	<u>April 21/42</u>	TAKEN BY _____			AUCTION	TENDER &c		
EVACUATION	<u>June 24/42.</u>	DATE _____						
<p>1 Fishing boat- No.2292, Fairbanks Morse engine; 40 H.P., L-39', W-9', D-5'6".</p> <p>1-fishing boat-25 H.P. Vivian engine; L-38', W-8'6", D-6'.</p> <p>These boats are in custody at New Westminster.</p> <p>1 bedroom suite 2 stoves kitchen utensils &amp; wares, fishing equipment.</p> <p>This personal property will be left at Corner of Moncton St. &amp; 2nd Ave., Steveston, B.C. to be put with the goods of the landlord of above address.</p>		<p>1. Fishing Vessel "Blue Heaven" No. 1, L-39', W-9', D-5', Powered by 40 h.p. Fairbank Morse Diesel Engine <span style="float: right;">5,500.00</span></p> <p>2. Fishing Vessel "Blue Heaven" No. 2, L-38', W-8', D-5', Powered by 30 h.p. Vivian Gas Engine <span style="float: right;">4600.00</span></p> <p>3. Net House <span style="float: right;">50.00</span></p> <p>4. Nets <span style="float: right;">400.00</span></p> <p>5. Trolling Tackle <span style="float: right;">200.00</span></p> <p>6. House Utensil <span style="float: right;">300.00</span></p> <p>7. Bedroom Suite <span style="float: right;">135.00</span></p> <p>8. Quilts <span style="float: right;">50.00</span></p>		<p><u>101.00</u></p>	<p><u>900.00</u></p>			
			<p>9. House-60'x26' 8 rooms owned by claimant and Hirokichi (50-50 basis) 1/2 interest <span style="float: right;">500.00</span></p>	<p><u>11,735.00</u></p>	<p><u>101.00</u></p>			

SUMMARY OF CLAIM

Property for which Ja	"	"	"
	"	"	"
	"	"	"



SALES		SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND	NO RECORD AT ANY TIME	ABANDONED	NOT ACCOUNTED FOR THEFT & C	UNSOLD	REMARKS
AUCTION	TENDER &c							
								2 Vessels sold through J.F.V.D.C. #1 requisitioned by British Admiralty Technical Mission. #2 requisitioned by Dept. National Defence (Army). Sale price in each case in accordance with valuation by Lloyd's Register surveyor.
							4,100.00	
							3,180.00	
			400.00 200.00 300.00	50.00				
101.00				50.00				
				500.00				
101.00			900.00	600.00			7,280.00	

SUMMARY OF CLAIM

Property for which Japanese claims \$ 135.00 sold at auction for \$101.00  
 " " " " " 900.00 declared but not found.  
 " " " " " 600.00 no record at any time.  
 " " " " " 10,100.00 sold through J.F.V.D.C.  
 \$11,735.00

*Smalison*  
 June 14/48

EXHIBIT No. 732-2  
 DATE Sept. 29/48  
 FILED BY Gracie



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: SAKAI, Kazuichi formerly.. Ucluelet, B. C.

HOME ADDRESS: Now... Corner of Moncton St. & 2nd Ave., Steveston, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 11130 SEX: Male AGE: 26

OCCUPATION: Fish Collector

(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, Skeena River, B. C.

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Sumi

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Corner of Moncton St. & 2nd Ave., Steveston, B.C.

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







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: None

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 21st day of April 1942.

(Signature) "Kazuichi Sakai"

A.G. McArthur  
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE.....

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

November 2, 1948.

L.M. M. Seal.....



EXHIBIT No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Sept. 29/48  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
FILED BY G.E.A. Rice

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that I

Name KAZUICHI SAKAI.....

Address..... UCLUELET, B. C......

Occupation..... FISHERMAN.....

do hereby make, nominate, constitute and appoint

Name..... HIDEO FUKUYAMA.....

Address..... 1809 VENABLES STREET, VANCOUVER, B. C......

Occupation..... SALES MANAGER.....

my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name, place and stead and for my sole use and benefit, to sign and execute all bills of sale, mortgages or releases of mortgage, all discharges and releases and all chattel mortgages or releases of chattel mortgages, AND IN PARTICULAR to execute all documents of any nature whatsoever which may be required by the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee relative to the transfer of the vessel to owners who are not of Japanese origin, and/or to execute all documents of any nature whatsoever in connection with the sale, transfer, release or discharge of the vessel

Name of vessel... "K.S.".....

Port of Registry or license... New WESTMINSTER, B. C......

Official number or license... 2896 N.W......

and for all and every of the purposes aforesaid do hereby give and grant unto

HIDEO FUKUYAMA....., said attorney, full and absolute power and

authority to do and execute all acts, deeds, matters and things necessary to be done in and about the premises, and also to commence, institute and prosecute all actions, suits and other proceedings which may be necessary or expedient in and about the premises as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as I could do if personally present and acting therein, and also with full power and authority for HIDEO FUKUYAMA

said attorney, to appoint a substitute or substitutes, and such substitution at pleasure to revoke I hereby ratifying and confirming, and agreeing to ratify, confirm and allow all and whatsoever my said attorney or such substitute or substitutes shall lawfully do or cause to be done in the premises by virtue hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal the .27th. day of .April.

A.D. 1942, at Vancouver.... in the Province of British Columbia.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED  
in the presence of:

"K. Kimura"  
217 Dunlevy Ave.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

) "Kazuichi Sakai"

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

November 3, 1948.

*E.M. N. Seal*.....



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF WITNESS

TO WIT: )  
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA)

I, .....Kishizo Kimura.....of the City of .....Vancouver.....  
in the Province of British Columbia, make oath and say:

1. I was personally present and did see the within instrument duly  
signed and executed by Kazuichi Sakai.....the party thereto, for the  
purposes named therein.

2. The said instrument was executed at ....Vancouver, B.C.....

3. I know the said party, and that he is of the full age of twenty-one  
years.

4. I am the subscribing witness to the said instrument and am of the full  
age of sixteen years.

SWORN BEFORE ME at the City of )

.....Vancouver..... )

"K. Kimura"

in the Province of British Columbia, )

this 9th day of April June )

A.D. 1942 )

....."Roy. D. Guin"..... )

A Commissioner for taking affidavits  
within British Columbia.

A Notary Public in and for the Province  
of British Columbia



*Requisitioned*

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EXHIBIT No. \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE Sept. 29/48  
FILED BY G.E.A. Rice

Name of Vessel BLUE HEAVEN Official Number 2896 N.W. Naval Control Number \_\_\_\_\_

Port of Registry \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Registry \_\_\_\_\_

Length 36' Width 8 1/2' Depth 5'

Make of Engine (Present) Vivian (1 yr. old) Date When Re-Installed \_\_\_\_\_

Horse Power 25 H.P. Knot (Speed) 7 Knots

When Hull Built 1 year old When Hull Rebuilt \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Vessel: Seiner Packer Gill-Netter Troller X Trawler Other

Formerly Used as Trolling Value(Replacement) \_\_\_\_\_

Date When Surveyed Last \_\_\_\_\_ Value (Present) \$3,500.00

Pace of Operation West Coast of Vancouver Island Value (Insured) \_\_\_\_\_

Charter Rate: 1940 \_\_\_\_\_ Chartered To: 1940 \_\_\_\_\_  
1941 Own Use 1941 \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Mortgage, If any \$1,700.00 Mortgaged To: \$900.00 Vivian Engine Works Ltd.  
\$800.00 Kishi Boat Works. *Cr to 943-1026/42 Paid by 941/26/42 and of \$59*

Registered Owner's Name Kazuichi Sakai Actual Owner's Name Kazuichi Sakai  
Address Ucluelet, B. C. Address Ucluelet, B. C.

Please refer to "Certificate of British Registry" in filling this blank; special attention is required in case of "Length" Width" and "Depth".

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

November 3, 1948. G.M. N. Steeves

*Requisitioned*



AGREEMENT FOR SALE OF VESSEL

KAZUICHI SAKAI,

PICTURE BUTTE, ALTA.

(Hereinafter called the "Vendor")

OF THE FIRST PART

AND

HIS MAJESTY THE KING AS REPRESENTED BY THE MINISTER OF MUNITIONS AND SUPPLY, OTTAWA, ONTARIO, CANADA,

(hereinafter called the "Purchaser")

of the SECOND PART

In consideration of the sum of \$1.00, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we agree to the sale and purchase of the vessel hereunder described:

Name of Vessel: "Blue Heaven" ("K.S.")

Port of Registry: New Westminster, B. C.

Official Number: NW-2896

Length: 36'

Breadth: 8'6"

Depth: 5'

Propelling power: Vivian Motor 25 H.P.

For the price or sum of \$ 3,180.00

Registered at the Port of New Westminster, B.C.

this...2nd...day of October.....19.42.....

LICENCE

Register No. W. 2896. Folio No. Bill of sale as stated herein

A. Goodden Registrar of Shipping

Payable as follows: Cash

FURTHER, I/we the said Kazuichi Sakai

for my heirs, covenant with the said His Majesty The King and His assigns,

that we have power to transfer in the manner aforesaid, the premises hereinbefore expressed to be transferred, and that the same are free from encumbrances, except as hereunder set out:

~~Balance of purchase price to be secured forthwith by mortgage on the vessel~~

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals this 29th day of September, A.D. 1942.

SIGNED, SEALED and DELIVERED )

in the presence of: )

"K. Kimura"  
217 Dunlevy Ave.,  
Vancouver, B. C. )

KAZUICHI SAKAI,

"H. Fukuyama"

Attorney

Seal

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

November 3, 1948.

*C. M. M. Steeves*

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EXHIBIT No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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