Name of Claimant WATANABE, Usaku decd. Case 1171

Custodian File " Taka
4000 & 6962

REAL PROPERTY											Total
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)			V.L.A. Mission Village			
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% there-of	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	
		800	80.00	40.00 12.50							132.50

PERSONAL PROPERTY								
Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear						
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column	
15.00	3.75							3.75

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

MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS								
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price	
109.00	58.35	17.50						17.50

TOTAL RECOMMENDATION	153.75

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CASE NO: 1171

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

Toronto, Ontario,

October 26, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

MRS. TAKA WATANABE

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING

Original.

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"

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

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

B E F O R E

HIS HONOUR, JUDGE M.A. MILLER, SUB-COMMISSIONER.

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APPEARANCES:

K.A. CHRISTIE, ESQ., K.C.,	appearing for the Dominion Government,
F.A. BREWIN, ESQ.,	appearing for the Claimant.

A. SMITH, ESQ.,	Secretary,
G.N.R. UPTON, ESQ.,	Official Interpreter,
A.G. VEITCH, ESQ.,	Official Reporter.

MRS. TAKA WATANABE, the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the interpreter, as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. BREWIN:

Q. Mrs. Watanabe, is this your signature on this document? A. Yes.

Q. And are the facts stated in there right?

A. Yes.

MR. BREWIN: I would ask that that be marked as EXHIBIT 1.

(PARTICULARS OF REAL ESTATE, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.1)

Q. Here is a document headed Personal Chattels. Is that your signature? A. Yes.

Q. And are the facts there correct?

A. Yes.

(PARTICULARS OF PERSONAL CHATTELS, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.2)

Q. Your son is here. Are you willing to have him give the evidence for you?

A. Yes.

Q. Very well.

I will ask my friend if he wishes to examine the witness.

MR. CHRISTIE: I will prove the j.p. form and I will reserve the right to recall her if there is anything which the son does not know.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: All right.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. CHRISTIE:

Q. I have a J.P. Form dated April 17, 1942. Will you tell us whose signature that is?

A. That is my husband's signature.

Q. And did the husband make out this form which I show you, or did you assist in it or have any knowledge of it?

A. It was made out by us together.

MR. CHRISTIE: I will file as Exhibit 3, this J.P. Form.

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

MR. BREWIN: Will you step down, Mrs.Watanabe?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

MR. CHRISTIE: Just one minute.

Q. I think you signed this card here. I want to ask you did you sign this card?

A. Yes.

MR. BHRISTIE: I will file or tender this as Exhibit 4. This is the No Property Card, Japanese Section, dated April 28, 1942, and signed by Mrs. Watanabe.

(NO PROPERTY CARD, JULY 28, 1942, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.4)

YOSHIO WATANABE, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. BREWIN:

Q. You are the son of the last witness?

A. Yes, I am.

Q. Who is making the claim in this case?

A. Yes.

Q. The property, the real estate for which your mother is claiming is a part of a property in Cumberland in British Columbia?

A. Yes.

Q. If I am rightly informed, there was a building in which a store was carried on there?

A. Yes.

Q. Who carried that on? A. My father.

Q. Your father. And, at the back of the store, two rooms in which you lived? A. No. We did not live in there.

Q. Did anybody live there? A. It was rented out when we left.

Q. It was rented out when you left?

A. Yes.

Q. Do you know for how much? A. Around $10.00 a month.

Q. About $10. a month. When did your father die? A. October 5, 1945.

Q. October 5, 1945. His name, incidentally was Usaku Watanabe. Is that right? A. Yes.

Q. And on his death do you know if he left a will or if there was any administration of his estate?

A. He left an estate but in order to get the money from the Custodian my mother had to see a Notary Public and through that way we received what was due us from the Custodian.

Q. What do you mean "We received what was due

us"? A. My mother received the major portion. There were five children besides here. We all received a small portion.

Q. My friend is producing a copy of a letter from a Mr. Friese, addressed to the Custodian.

A. Yes?

Q. He was the official administrator?

A. Yes.

Q. With authority to deal for your father's estate? A. Yes.

Q. Here is a statement showing the distribution amongst the family of the $552.29 which apparently is credited to the estate. Is that in accordance with what you know was the distribution which was made?

A. This is the first time I have seen the letter.

Q. This is the first time you have seen the letter, but I am asking you if that is how the money was distributed? A. Yes. I believe that is correct.

Q. That is correct. And then that is in a letter of April 14, 1947, or a copy of a letter; and, here is another letter dated August 16, 1946, a copy of a letter from Mr. Friese to Mr. Johnson of the Administration Department in the Secretary of State's office, re Estate of Usaku Watanabe:

"I beg to acknowledge your letter enclosing copy of a letter from the widow requesting distribution of her share. The deceased died

"intestate on October 6, 1945 and under Section 98 of the Administration Act distribution could not be made to the heirs until one year after the date of death of the deceased without an order being obtained from the court."

Then there is a discussion as to whether they would apply to the court, to make an early distribution. That was apparently followed by this letter which did distribute the estate? A. Yes.

MR.CHRISTIE: I will tender these two copies of the letter from the Official Administrator to the Custodian re the Assets of the Estate of the deceased Claimant, as Exhibit 5.

(TWO LETTERS, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.5)

MR. BREWIN: Q. Am I right in concluding that your mother is now really making a claim for all of the family? A. Yes.

Q. Whatever proceeds there are presumably will be sent to the Official Administrator?

A. Yes.

Q. To be distributed by him?

A. Yes.

Q. She has the authority from the other members of the family? A. Yes.

Q. This property was purchased for $800. in 1937. Is that right? A. Yes.

Q. And you set out in this form $675. worth of improvements which were made to it since then. Is that right? A. Yes.

MR. BREWIN:, In this case I have not got a copy of any appraisal. I wonder if my friend would like to read into the record a copy of that one?

MR. CHRISTIE: Yes. I am reading a copy of the R.U. Hurford appraisal. It says:

"Assessed Owner: U. Watanabe.

On this narrow lot is one of the oldest buildings in Cumberland. It has a frontage of 18 feet six inches and the frame building has a 13 foot ceiling. Felt paper calcimined is used for lining. As it has not been regularly painted, decay is very much in evidence as it would not be difficult to tear out casings window sills with bare hands, and break up into pieces. Too far gone to repair. There is a habitable two room cabin ten by thirty at rear, outside brick chimney, outside sink & top also outside toilet.

Land value 300.00
Buildings 500.00
$800.00."

I think I will put this copy in. I will tender this copy as an exhibit. It is not the original and my friend says he has not it. I think Hurford made a group of appraisals and it may probably be in some other file.

This is just the one pertaining to this house.

(APPRAISAL, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.6)

MR. BREWIN: Q. You heard my friend read that.

Have you any comments to make on this at all, in the statement about it? A. I do not remember any outside sink and tap and outside toilet.

Q. You do not remember? A. No. What do you mean by "an outside toilet"? It was a flush toilet.

Q. But, it was outside the house?

A. Yes.

Q. I think that is what it means.

A. Yes.

Q. Do you agree that felt paper, calsimine was used for lining in the house? A. Yes, it was.

Q. And had it not been regularly painted?

A. The last time we redecorated that in - I think it shows on there.

Q. You redecorated it in 1939, apparently. You renovated the interior? A. Yes.

Q. And also you renewed the foundation in 1939? A. Yes.

Q. Had two brick chimneys put in. Is that right? A. Yes.

Q. And in 1940, just before the evacuation two years, there was new sewage and drainage put in with a flush toilet? A. Yes.

Q. And in 1941 the repairs to the store front worth $75. were put in. Is that right?

A. Yes.

Q. Do you agree with this statement that it was

too far gone to repair? Mind you, this is made in 1944 but when you left was it too far gone to repair at all? A. Well, I do not think so. With two or three hundred dollars I think we could have repaired it.

Q. It says:

"--- decay is very much in evidence as it would not be difficult to tear out casings window sills with bare hands, and break up into pieces."

Do you agree with that? Of course, it all depends on who is going to break it, I suppose. What would you say about that? A. I do not think I can say anything.

Q. In regard to the chattel claim, perhaps my friend would file the Analysis of Personal Property claim.

MR. CHRISTIE: I am tendering as Exhibit 7 the Analysis of Personal Property claim.

(ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.7)

There is some error in addition there. You corrected that.

MR. BREWIN: In respect of this we would like to ask leave to increase the claim by the sum of $15. The reason for that is that the Custodian sold almost all of the goods covered by the claim by auction. He also sold a Chevrolet car for $15. by auction which was not included in the claim at all and yet we

credited the Custodian with the full amount of all of the auction sales, so that I take it that we should ask to add $15. to the Personal Property Claim.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I think so.

MR. BREWIN: Q. In this case I observe from this exhibit that all of the goods in respect of which we are claiming were in fact sold at auction?

A. Yes.

Q. That is a matter of record from the Custodian's office? A. Yes.

Q. So that it is purely a question of valuation. Do you know how the values which were put in this sheet in the claim were arrived at at all? A. We conferred with our friends and Mr. Hoita was looking after our matter.

Q. He was looking after things for you?

A. Yes.

Q. What was Mr. Hoita's occupation? Was he an expert at all or just a friend?

A. Just a friend.

Q. Had your mother discussed the matter with him? A. Yes.

Q. Now, do you know how they arrived at the values together which were put in there?

A. No. I am afraid not.

Q. That is all, thank you.

MR.CHRISTIE: I am tendering as Exhibit 8 the assessment of the Corporation of the city of Cumberland in the year 1944. It is a Tax Statement with the assessment noted on the tax statement.

(TAX STATEMENT, 1944, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.8)

The assessment is in the total amount of $1,125.

I am tendering as Exhibit 9 Certificate of Encumbrance. It shows that the deceased Usaku Watanabe was the registered owner.

(CERTIFICATE OF ENCUMBRANCE, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.9)

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. CHRISTIE:

Q. Mr. Watanabe, when this place was purchased do you know how old this store was?

A. No.

Q. Now, who built the new woodshed. Was that outside labour or did your father, and yourself, do it? A. My father and myself, and I think we hired an experienced man. I do not think he was a carpenter.

Q. Do you know how much you paid him?

A. (No audible answer).

Q. To refresh your memory, there was put in an amount of $150. I was wondering of that $150. how much you spent? A. I think about $25. for outside labour. We spent about four or five days building.

Q. With respect to this renewed foundation, I suppose that is on posts? A. Yes.

Q. That is, new cedar posts?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you do that work, yourself? A. No. We hired a carpenter.

Q. You hired a carpenter? A. Yes.

Q. And what about the decorating of the interior? Who did that? A. We did that, ourselves.

Q. And that would represent both the labour and the material? A. That is right, yes.

Q. In respect of the two rooms at the rear of the cabin, were they rented?

A. Yes.

Q. Do you know what rent was paid?

A. $10., I think, a month.

Q. $10. a month; and that was rented prior to the evacuation? A. Yes. That is right.

Q. Had you made any arrangements with the tenant to put new floors into the shop?

A. No.

Q. You do not know of any? A. No.

Q. How old was this range for which you are claiming and which was sold at auction for $5.? Do you know how old this range was?

A. It was purchased in 1934.

Q. What were these tools which you are estimating were worth $20.? Were they carpenter's tools? A. No; logging tools.

Q. Logging tools? A. Yes.

Q. Do you know how many there were?

A. I am afraid not.

Q. A group of tools? A. Yes;, including sledge hammers, wedges.

Q. In your J.P. Form you claim for sewing machines and other things. I understand, for the sake of the record that the sewing machines and those other articles which were not sold at auction were shipped to you. Is that correct? A. Yes.

Q. I think that is all, thank you.

MR. BREWIN: Thank you.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Any further exhibits?

MR. CHRISTIE: I have further exhibits to file, your honour.

I am filing as Exhibit 10 the Real Property Summary.

(REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.10)

I think in the same exhibit we could put the Personal Property Summary.

--- (See Ex. 10)

MR. BREWIN: The sale was made to John Miletch for $800, cash as at August 29, 1944. Title was delivered to the new owner on February 15, 1945.

MR. CHRISTIE: Let me see Exhibit 6.

THE SECRETARY: It does not give the exact date.

MR. BREWIN: Exhibit 6 merely says it is an extract of appraisal made during 1944.

MR. CHRISTIE: I think that concludes the exhibits,

your honour.

It is submitted, your honour, that the real property was sold at its fair market value.

It is submitted that those articles of personal property which were sold at auction were sold at their fair market value.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: That is all which were sold?

MR. CHRISTIE:, Yes. There were some goods in the J.P. Form which were shipped but they are not claiming for them in their claim.

MR. BREWIN: I understand that this building was subsequently used as a beverage room. The witness only knows it by hearsay, but it might enhance its value if it were suitable for such a very lucrative purpose as that. We will have to prove that later. I thought I would put it on the record so our investigators might know of it.

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate transcript of the proceedings herein.

A.G. Veitch.

"A.G. VEITCH"
Official Reporter.

I, M.A. Miller, Deputy Commissioner, appointed to hear a Commission to investigate claims of Japanese Canadians for property loss, do certify the foregoing is a true copy of the evidence heard on the within claim.

M.A. Miller, Deputy Commissioner.

JAN 14 1948

case no 1171

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

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

ACKNOWLEDGED

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Toronto

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

(1) NAME Watanabe Taka (RCMP) Reg. No. 06056
(Print) Surname Given Name

(2) Pre-Evacuation Address Dunsmuir Avenue, Cumberland, B.C.

(3) Present Address 1192 Dovercourt Rd., Toronto, Ontario

(4) REAL ESTATE

(a) Street Address (if any) Dunsmuir Ave., Cumberland, B.C.
City or Municipality, Province

(b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.)
West 20' Lot 4, Block 3, Lot 21, Plan 522, Cumberland
Nelson District

(c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):
(i) Farm
(ii) Residence Type of business
(iii) Business
(iv) Any other type of property (describe)

(d) What was your interest in the property (e.g., sole owner, life tenant, joint tenant, owner of one half or one third interest, leasehold, etc.)
Widow of late Usaku Watanabe (06059) sole owner

(e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):
(i) Land - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $
(ii) Buildings - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $
(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable) - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $
(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) - $ 1500.00
(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - $ 800.00

(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - $ 700.00

(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY

(a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation
Dunsmuir Ave., Cumberland, B.C.

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

(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation
Left in house

(over)

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

In no one's care

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

1. Chattels - per attached list - $111.00 Estimated Value $_____
2. Sold by Custodian for $73.35 Estimated Value $ 37.65
3. _____ Estimated Value $_____
4. _____ Estimated Value $_____
5. _____ Estimated Value $_____
6. _____ Estimated Value $_____
7. _____ Estimated Value $_____
8. _____ Estimated Value $_____
9. _____ Estimated Value $_____
10. _____ Estimated Value $_____

TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS $ 37.65

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

(f) Total claim including real and personal property (this figure can be arrived at by adding items 4(f) and 5(e) - $ 737.65

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

Toronto

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

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

DOMINION OF CANADA)
County of York)
TO WIT:)

I, Taka Watanabe of the City
of Toronto in the Province of Ontario

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:

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

DECLARED before me at the City)
of Toronto)
in the County of York)
this 9th day of January)
A.D. 1948. R A Best) A Commissioner &c. Taka Watanabe

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

The Personal Property Loss Clzims File 4000.

The following Chattles Were Sold By auction at Cumberland. B. C.

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Articles	Price Sold	My minimum demand Pric
Ironing stove& iron	$ 2.00	$ 5.00
Range	5.00	i5.00
Brown bed	7.00	10.00
Dresser	2.00	5.00
Kitchen cabinet	3.00	5.00
Map	0.05	
Mirror	1.00	3.00
Clock	2.00	4.00
Tools	1.50	
Tools	0. 50	
Tools	1.50	
Tools	2.50	
Tools	1.75	
Tools	1.25	
Notice these above tools are logging . and very vales		20000
Oares	1.00	
Sleigh	0.50	
Chears .6.	2.50	6.00
Stools .5.	.1.00	3.00
Stepladder	0.50	2.00
Bamboo table	2.50	
Kitchen utinsils	.75	
Iron board etc	0.10	1.00
Chevolet car	15.00	
Medicine chest	0.05	
Dining table	3.00	5.00
Table content	0.25	
Crock	1.75	3.00
washstand	1.00	2.00
Stools	2.00	4.00
wall mirror	4.00	6.00
Boat .16 foots long.	5.00	10.00
	Total sold Price 73.35	Total minimum demand Price $111.00

Totals Claims $37.15

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WATANABE, Taka
(Claimant's Name)

REAL ESTATE
(Other than farm)

EXHIBIT No. 1171-1
DATE OCT 26 1948
FILLED BY F. A. Brewer

06056
Reg. No.

Type of Premises (e.g. House, Store, etc.)	No. of Rooms	Type of Finish	Use of Premises	Size of Lot	When Purchased	Date of Purchase
-- a store in front -- a two room living quarters at back	5 (2-storey)	Frame	-- tailor shop -- rear 2 rooms were rented out	20 & 120	1937	

Type of Locality	Cost Price
Business section on Main Street	$ 800.00

Comments re upkeep of premises:

Improvements made by Claimant		Estimated Value Date of Sale
1939 - new woodshed	$150.00	
1939 - renewed foundation	100.00	$1,500.00
1939 - 2 brick chimneys	100.00	
1939 - renovated interior	100.00	
1940 - new sewage & drainage with flush toilet	150.00	
1941 - repairs to store front	75.00	
	$675.00	

Comments re Appraiser's report not covered above:

Assessment 1942: Land - $ 300
Improvements $825.00 } $1,125.00

Summary

Estimated value	$ 1,500.00
Sold by Custodian	800.00
	$ 700.00

T Watanabe
Signature

WATANABE , Taka
(Claimant's Name)

PERSONAL CHATTELS

EXHIBIT No. 1171-2
DATE OCT 26 1948
FILLED BY F. A. Brewin

06056
Reg. No.

Description of Major Items (and particularly of goods lost, stolen or destroyed)	Approximate Date Purchase	New or Used When Purchased	Price Paid	Condition when Evacuated	Estimated value at Date of Evacuation
Ironing stove and iron	1925	New	$100.00	Good	$ 5.00
Range	1937	"	80.00	"	15.00
Bed (complete)	1932	"	40.00	"	10.00
Chevrolet Car	1926	—	—		25.00
Boat (flat bottom row boat)	1930	New	50.00		10.00

Total Value of Claim $109.00 as per a ~~XXXXX~~
Column 3 on Chattel Analysis.

Description of Storage of Goods:

Upon evacuation everything was put to the store and locked and the key was give into the care of the Custodian.

Estimated value	$ 109.00
Sold by Custodian	73.35
	$ 35.65

General Statement as to Chattels not Described above:

Additional Comments, if any:

I Watanabe
Signature

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FORM "JP"

FILE No.

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

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EXHIBIT No.

DATE Oct 26 1948

FILED BY K.A. Christie

NAME: WATANABE Usaku

HOME ADDRESS: Dunsmuir Av. Cumberland, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 06059 SEX: Male AGE: 61

OCCUPATION: Tailor

(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: Self

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Taka

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Same as above

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Yukio (M) Yoshio(M) Isamu(M) Mitsuko(F) Teruko(F)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Yukio, Woodfibre, B. C. Rest Cumberland B.C. (Now at Hastings Park)

AGE OF CHILDREN: 27 18 12 15 10

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Title #21079-N Westerly 20 Ft of Lot 4 Block 3 Lot 21, Nelson District Plan 522.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: Tailor Ship 18 x 40 & House at Back 10 x 30.

   Also a house at Camp 6 on Company property 16 x 30

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) On shop & House $28.40 payable at City Hall Cumberland, B. C.

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) House back of Shop rented to Paul Spanyor Cumberland. House at Camp 6 rented but name not known

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: Owner's possession

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST:

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

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

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE:

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

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

Household furniture, Chinaware, Kitchen Supplies, Beds, Tools, Books, Clothing, 2 stoves, Tailor goods, sewing machine, Tailoring equipment. All located in the store on Dunsmuir St. Cumberland, B. C.

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

FORM "JP"

FILE No.

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None

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

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

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

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None

9. LIFE INSURANCE: None

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS:

2. TRADE DEBTS: $170.00 to Kemp & Co. Wholesalers, Vancouver, B. C. ("Paid")

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

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

Dated this 17th day of April ~~1943.~~ 1942

(Signature)

Witness

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

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE February 23rd 1949

C. M. M. Scott

FORM "J"

BUREAU HASTINGS PARK

FILE NO. 1171- 4

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE SECTION

EXHIBIT No.

DATE Oct 26 1948

FILED BY K.A.Christie

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having no property in any protected

NAME: WATANABE(Taka) Mrs Usaku

HOME ADDRESS: Box 43, Cumberland, B. C. REGISTRATION No. 06056

SEX: F AGE: 44 MARRIED? Yes

OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER: Housewife

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Usaku ADDRESS: Box 43, Cumberland, B.

NAMES OF LIVING CHILDREN: Mitsuko F 15 yrs ADDRESS: " "
Isamu M 12 " " "
Teruko F 10 ADDRESS: " "

ADDRESS:

I certify that the above information is true and complete and state that I have no property of any kind whatsoever in any protected area in British Columbia.

Dated this 28th day of April 1942

(Signature) T.Watanabe

WITNESS: " M.F.Brandon"

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

Feb 23rd 1949

C. M. Scott

LIST OF LIABILITIES:

HOW DO YOU PROPOSE TO PAY THESE OFF?

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

C O P Y

(Orig in File 4000)

THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

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EXHIBIT No.
DATE
FILED BY

Oct 26 1948

K.A. Christie

YOUR FILE 4000 & 6862
ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
To: Official Administrator.

Cumberland, B. C.
August 16th, 1946

W.J.Johnston, Esq.,
Administration Department,
Department of the
Secretary of State,
509 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Usaku Watanabe, dec'd

I beg to acknowledge your letter of August 15th, enclosing copy of a letter from the widow, Mrs T. Watanabe requesting distribution of her share of the estate.

The deceased died intestate on October 6th, 1945, and under Section 92 of the Administration Act distribution could not be made to the heirs until one year after the date of death of the deceased, without an Order being obtained from the Court. This is the long vacation for the Court and the matter could not be placed before the Judge until August 30th. Distribution could be made on October 6th without an Order from the Court and as this is a small estate I feel that the further ~~the~~ legal costs should be avoided if possible. If you feel that the matter is really pressing however, I will have such an application made to the Judge in Chambers on advice from you.

Yours faithfully,

"A.G.Freeze"

A.G.Freeze
Official Administrator.

AGF/AB

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February 23rd 1949

E.M. McSorley

Attached to Exhibit 1171-5

THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY
TO: Official Administrator.

COPY

Cumberland, B. C.
April 14th, 1947

The Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Bldg,
Hastings & Granville,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Estate of Usaku WATANABE deceased

I beg to advise you that I have to-day sent forth a voucher to the Department in your favour for $552.29 in the above estate. The heirs are as follows:

Mrs Taka Watanabe	159 Gerrard St., E Toronto, Ontario.	1/3	$184.09
Yukio Watanabe	residence unknown thought to be in Montreal.	2/15	73.64
Yoshio Watanabe	25 D'Arcy St., Toronto, Ontario.	2/15	73.64
Mitsuko Watanabe	(Age 20) 159 Gerrard St. E. Toronto, Ontario.	2/15	73.64
Isamu Watanabe	(Age 17) 159 Gerrard St., E., Toronto, Ont.	2/15	73.64
Teruko Watanabe	(Age 15) 159 Gerrard St., E. Toronto, Ont.	2/15	73.64
	Total		$552.29

Note that there are three heirs under 21 years of age.

Yours faithfully,

"A.G.Freeze"

A.G.Freeze
Official Administrator.

AGF/MG

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February 29th 1949

E. M. M. Scott

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DATE Oct. 26 1948
FILED BY
K. A. Christie

EXTRACT OF R. U. HURFORD APPRAISALS
MADE DURING 1944

Catalogue No. 562.
File No. 4000.
Assessed Owner: U. Watanabe.

On this narrow lot is one of the oldest buildings in Cumberland. It has a frontage of 18' 6" and the frame building has a 13'ceiling. Felt paper calcimined is used for lining. As it has not been regularly painted, decay is very much in evidence as it would not be difficult to tear out casings window sills with bare hands, and break up into pieces. Too far gone to repair. There is a habitable two room cabin 10 x 30 at rear, outside brick chimney, outside sink & tap also outside toilet.

Land value	300.00
Buildings	500.00
	800.00

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Mar. 21, 1949

C. McClenghan

ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

NAME Mrs. Taka WATANABE (Reg. #06056, File 6862), Widow of Usaku WATANABE, Deceased.

FILE No. 4000 EXHIBIT No.

REG. No. 06059

DATE: Declaration 17/4/42; Evacuation 22/9/42

INVENTORY: Taken by; Date

	DETAILS OF CLAIM		SALES: AUCTION	SALES: TENDER &c	SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND
Household Furniture	Ironing Stove & Iron	$ 5.00	$ 2.00			
Chinaware	Range	15.00	5.00			
Kitchen supplies	Brown Bed	10.00	7.50			
Beds	Dresser	5.00	2.00			
Tools	Kitchen Cabinet	5.00	3.00			
Books	Map		.05			
Clothing	Mirror	3.00	1.00			
2 Stoves	Clock	4.00	2.00			
Sewing Machine (Tailor)	Tools	20.00	8.75			
Tailoring Equipment	Oars		1.00			
	Sleigh		.50			
	6 Chairs	6.00	2.50			
	5 Stools	3.00	1.00			
Wife's Declaration (Custodian "No Property" card - 28/4/42):	Stepladder	2.00	.50			
	Bamboo Table		2.50			
	Kitchen Utensils		.75			
No chattels.	Ironing Board, etc.	1.00	.10			
	Chevrolet Car		15.00			
	Medicine Chest		.50			
	Dining Table	5.00	3.00			
	Table & contents		.25			
	Crock	3.00	1.75			
	Washstand	2.00	1.00			
	Stools	4.00	2.40			
	Wall Mirror	6.00	4.00			
	16' Boat	10.00	5.00			
	Correct total:	$109.00				
	Claimant's mistake	2.00				
	Claimant's (wrong) total:	$111.00				
	Ack. Custodian Credit	73.35				
	Amt. of Pers. Prop. Claim:	$ 37.65				

Summary of Auction Sales:

Tailors Irons	.30
Gross proceeds Auction Sales:	$73.35
Less Charges:	15.87
Net proceeds Auction Sales:	$57.48

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 23/48.

RGB/P.

RECAPITULATION

Claim	Disposition
$109.00	Sold by Auction for $52.50.
2.00	Claimant's mistake in addition
$111.00	Claimant's gross total Pers. Prop. Claim

ILE No. 4000 EXHIBIT No. _____ EXHIBIT No. 1171-7 CASE No. _____

DATE OCT 26 1948

EG. No. 06059 FILLED BY K A Christie VENUE Toronto.

SALES		SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND	NO RECORD AT ANYTIME	ABANDONED	NOT ACCOUNTED FOR THEFT &c	UNSOLD	REMARKS
AUCTION	TENDER &c							
$ 2.00								
5.00								
7.50								
2.00								
3.00								
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$73.35								
15.87								
$57.48								

on

Prop. Claim

ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

NAME Mrs. Tsiko NATAMAGE (Reg. #00059, File 6862), Widow of Tsolon NATAMAGE, Deceased.

DATE

Declaration 17/4/42 Taken by

Evacuation 22/9/42 Date

INVENTORY	DETAILS OF CLAIM	
Household Furniture	Ironing Stove & Iron	$ 5.00
Chinaware	Range	15.00
Kitchen supplies	Frame Bed	10.00
Beds	Dresser	5.00
Tools	Kitchen Cabinet	5.00
Books	Map	
Clothing	Mirror	3.00
2 Stoves	Clock	4.00
Sewing Machine (Tailor)	Tools	20.00
Tailoring Equipment	Oars	
	Sleigh	
	6 Chairs	6.00
	5 Stools	5.00
	Stepladder	2.00
	Bamboo Table	
Wife's Declaration	Kitchen Utensils	
(Onstodian "No Property" card - 28/4/42):	Ironing Board, etc.	1.00
	Chevrolet Car	
No chattels.	Medicine Chest	
	Dining Table	5.00
	Table & contents	
	Crock	3.00
	Washstand	2.00
	Stools	4.00
	Wall Mirror	6.00
	16' Boat	10.00
Correct total:		$109.00
Claimant's mistake		2.00
Claimant's (wrong) total:		$111.00
Adm. Onstodian Credit		72.35
Amt. of Pers. Prop. Claim:		$ 37.65

Summary of Auction Sales:

Tailors Irons	.20
Gross proceeds Auction Sales:	$72.35
Less Charges:	14.57
Net proceeds Auction Sales:	$57.42

RECAPITULATION

Claim	Disposition
$109.00	Sold by Auction for $57.65.
2.00	Claimant's mistake in addition
$111.00	Claimant's Gross Total Pers. Prop. Claim

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 23/42.

RGB/p.

FILE No. 4000 EXHIBIT No.

REG. No. 06059

SALES

AUCTION	TENDER BY	SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	SOLD NOT FOUND

3/4000
& 6862

3/4000
& 6862

Interest at 6% on all Arrears and Delinquent Taxes

Corporation of the City of Cumberland

TAXES ON LAND OR IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1944

Mr. Usaka Watanabe

RATES FOR 1944 ARE
General Rate 24 mills
School Rate 18 mills
on assessed value of land and half assessed value of improvements.

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DATE OCT 26 1948
FILLED BY K A Ephriosten

Section 257. (1) Upon the first day of July in each year the collector shall add to the current year's taxes unpaid on each parcel of land or improvements upon his roll ten per centum of the amount thereof, and the said unpaid taxes, together with the amounts added, as aforesaid, shall from the respective dates aforesaid, be deemed to be the amount of the current year's taxes upon such land or improvements.

PLEASE BRING THIS NOTICE WHEN PAYING TAXES

Lot	Block	ASSESSMENT RATE Land	ASSESSMENT RATE Improvements	GENERAL RATE	SCHOOL RATE	TOTAL RATES	TAXES IN ARREARS (1943)	DELINQUENT TAXES	INTEREST TO JUNE 30, 19 ...	TOTAL RATES
W. 20' 4	3	300	825	17 09	12 81	29 90	31 31			61 21

Paid Aug 31/44

C. DAVIS
COLLECTOR ..... Collector

ALL CHECKS MUST BE MADE PAYABLE AT PAR IN CUMBERLAND

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DATE
FILED BY

Oct 26 1948

K.A. Christie

CERTIFICATE OF ENCUMBRANCE
LAND REGISTRY OFFICE

Your file 4000

Victoria, B. C.

10 a.m. 29th day of February 1944

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the following is the state of the title to

The westerly 20 ft of Lot 4 in Block 3
of Lot 21, Nelson District, Plan 522.

Registered Owner USAKA WATANABE
Indefeasible Title 21079-N.

Vested in the Custodian of Enemy Property as to the interest of Usaku Watanabe; see Certificate of Vesting filed 14th February 1944 under D.F. 51871.

Registered Charges,
87627-G Reservations of minerals etc. in favour of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company.

Applications for Registration: None

Receiving Order or authorized Assignment under the "Bankruptcy Act" None

Assignment for benefit of Creditors: None

Judgments: None

Mechanics' Liens: None

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

"R.N.C.Hemerow"
Deputy Registrar

The Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver, B. C.

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EXHIBIT No.

Oct 26 1948

DATE

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REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Catalogue No. 562 File No.4000

Name: Usaku WATANABE Reg No. 06059

Address: Dunsmuir Avenue, Cumberland, B.C.

Legal Description: The Westerly 20 ft of Lot 4 in Block 3 of Lot 21, Nelson District, Plan 522.

Classification: Tailor Shop (18' x 40') and 2-room Cabin (10' x 30') at back.

Registered in the name of: USAKA WATANABE

State of Title: Clear.

Sold toL JOHN MILETICH for $800.00 (Cash).

As at: August 29th, 1944.

Title delivered to new Registered Owner on: February 15th, 1945.

Net proceeds ($758.66) released to credit of Usaku WATANABE on: February 6th 1945

Chattels: Not involved.

Insurance: None.

Administration: The cabin was rented (@ $5.00 per month) by the owner prior to evacuation. The shop remained vacant for some time but was rented for 2 months in 1943 (@ $8.00 per month) and from April, 1944 @ $15.00 p er month. It was found necessary to make tenants of both properties substantial rent allowances to cover cost of essential repairs and renovating. Total revenue for the period of our administration amounted to $223.53; total dis disbursements to $193.28, leaving a net income of $30.25.

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

20th November, 1945.

"R.G.Bell"

RGB/P

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

February 23rd 1949

G.M. McIntosh

Attached to Exhibit 1171-10

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File 4000 Usaku WATANABE Reg No. 06059

This 61-year old Tailor, a Japanese-National, from Cumberland, B. C., signed a Custodian "JP" declaration from on Apr 17/42. He was evacuated on Sept 22/42. He died at New Denver, B. C. on Oct 6/45. Administration of his Estate was applied for by this office on Nov 28/45. Certified copy of Letters of Administration (Feb 26/46) are on file. Cumberland Official Administrator's letter of Apr 14/47 advised completion of administration and listed beneficiaries and their respective shares of net residue ($552.29), regarding payment of which, see our letter of this date.

The widow, Taka (File 6862), signed a Custodian "No Property" card Apr 28/42. She was evacuated with her husband (Sept 22/42).

Personal Property: See Chattels Schedule for particulars of chattels, all of which have been accounted for by shipment, sale or discard.

Bills receivable: None

Bonds, Shares, etc., None

Bank Accounts: None

Life Insurance: None

Funds: There are no funds in Custodian's hands, all ($676.39) having been turned over to the Official Administrator, Cumberland, on Mar 11/46.

There is no other personal property interest in this file.

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

17th April 1947

"R.G.Bell"

RGB/P