

Name of Claimant Haruo KOMORI (Claiming $\frac{1}{2}$ interest for his brother Tadashiro Komori, file 1785, Case 1403 and $\frac{1}{2}$ interest as Administrator of estate of his father Matsunosuke KOMORI (File 9943)

Custodian File

<u>REAL PROPERTY</u>										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% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices: % of Amount Total		
					3357.					2,143.00
<u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>										
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			
<u>NETS</u>										
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	
<u>MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS</u>										
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	Applica-tion of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price			
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										2,143.00

The Commission

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

Vancouver, B. C.,
September 15th, 1949.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
HARUO KOMORI.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

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

(THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE H.I. BIRD, COMMISSIONER).

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Vancouver, B. C.,

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IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF
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PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

APPEARANCES:

20 D.T.B. BRAIDWOOD, Esq., appearing for the Dominion
 Government.
 MRS.H.M.F. PERKINS, appearing for the Claimant.

A. WATSON, Esq., Secretary.
 D.F. CHRISTIAN, Esq., Official Reporter.

30 MR. BRAIDWOOD: My lord, my learned friend, Mrs. Perkins,
 is here this morning with an application.
 Correspondence has already been filed with your
 Lordship and Mrs. Perkins is here with her client,

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and makes her application now.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MRS. PERKINS: My lord, this is an application for leave to file a claim at this time; and I won't deal with the merits of the application, simply the reasons why the claim has not been filed before.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MRS. PERKINS: But that will entail to a certain extent a brief history of the property concerned. Mr. Komori wrote to us in June and asked us if there were any possibility of making this claim at this time, and since that time, as he is living at 70 Mile Post Office in the Province, we have tried to obtain the facts by letter, and more or less unsuccessfully. When the Secretary of the Commission advised me that this application would be heard this morning, I wired Mr. Komori expecting he would be in town yesterday, and he has only just arrived this morning, so that I am not as prepared to make the application as I should be.

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THE COMMISSIONER: Very well.

MRS. PERKINS: However, I have found from discussing this matter with Mr. Komori that the property concerned is a property on Lulu Island. At the time it was purchased it was in the Municipality of Richmond. It was 318 Lulu Island. That address may have been changed due to the re-organization. At any rate, the property was purchased December 14, 1930, by Mr. Matsumo Suki Komori. The property had no buildings on it at the time, and about a year later Mr. Komori's

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father built a home and also certain out buildings. He also fenced and put in fruit trees and the family lived there until around 1943 or 1944 when they were forced to leave the property and it was sold to the Soldier Settlement Board. In the meantime, about 1941, the father, who was an old man, transferred a half share in the property into the name of one of the sons, Tadahiro Komori, for one dollar and other valuable consideration, and I

10 understand that was a joint tenancy --

THE COMMISSIONER: That is joint between the father and the son?

MRS. PERKINS: That is joint tenancy between the father and the son. The father and the son were both living at the time the property was sold to the Soldier Settlement Board, and the Custodian received the proceeds of the sale. In due course the father died in November, 1945, before the funds had been paid out, and he left a will in which he had named

20 a national of the country of Japan as his executor. The national was forced to renounce, and in March, 1946, Mr. Haruo Komori, the present applicant, was appointed the sole executor of the estate with will annexed. Now, that happened in March, 1946. Thereafter the Custodian paid out to the executor of the estate one-half of the proceeds of the sale and he paid out to the brother, Tadahiro Komori, the other half. That was then in the form of bonds. Mr. Haruo Komori is holding those

30 funds in trust. The estate was left by way of a

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life tenancy to the widow who is still living, and upon her death the estate was to be distributed among the eight children in equal shares. The reason that Mr. Komori has not filed this claim -- and we will be quite frank -- is that at the time he didn't understand, as I gather from him, his position or duty as the executor of the estate, and he didn't think it was worthwhile, he didn't know whether he should advance funds from the estate to take this action, and he simply let the matter slide. Now, I consider that at the time he had a duty to do what he is now doing, and subsequently, apparently, he discussed the matter with some friend who was more well informed about the situation and the friend advised him he should have taken this claim and he became concerned about it and wrote to us asking us what could be done.

THE COMMISSIONER: Is that the explanation for his failure to file in time?

20 MRSS PERKINS: Yes, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: Do you speak English, Komori?

THE CLAIMANT: Yes.

Q You understand what Mrs. Perkins has said?

THE CLAIMANT: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: I think I will swear Mr. Komori and have his evidence on oath that those are the facts.

H. Komori,
In Chief.

HARUO KOMORI, the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

THE COMMISSIONER: Q: You have heard the statement that has been made by your counsel to explain the failure to file the claim on time, have you?

A Yes.

Q And what have you to say about the facts as she has given them to me? Are they correct?

A There is just one thing I would like to point out,
10 that she said we moved out in 1943. That is the only point I didn't get clear.

Q The evacuation took place in 1942, not 1943.

A Yes, that is the only thing.

Q But, otherwise, the statement made by counsel is entirely correct? A: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: Any cross-examination, Mr. Braidwood?

MR. BRAIDWOOD: No, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: What stand does the Crown take with regard to the application?

20 MR. BRAIDWOOD: As in all these applications the Crown
1 leaves the matter entirely to your Lordship's discretion. I would say first that the Crown took the usual steps of publicity and notice, which you are familiar with.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes. There was entirely adequate advertising.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: I have no information as to this particular claimant, and, as far as I know, the facts are as related by Mrs. Perkins.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: In the circumstances I propose to grant

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the application. Mr. Haruo Komori applies not only on his behalf, but primarily as executor of the estate, and I see no reason why the other beneficiaries should suffer because of his failure to realize that the claim should have been presented earlier. Leave will be granted to file the claim as at this date.

10 MR. BRAIDWOOD: My lord, I notice from the material from Mrs. Perkins that this appears to be confined to a property claim, on property sold to the Soldier Settlement Board.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: Under those circumstances I think perhaps it would be satisfactory, subject to your Lordship's direction, if Mr. Komori's material were filed in the usual form under oath, and that the proper documents as to his right to act in regard to the estate should also be filed with the Court.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: Yes. There is no need to bring him down here again.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: No. I wouldn't see any particular need to have him examined, and that might save some expense.

THE COMMISSIONER: Have you had an opportunity to discuss the suggested recommendations with Mrs. Perkins?

MR. BRAIDWOOD: No, I haven't, my lord, as yet.

(Discussion off Record)

MRS. PERKINS: There is the brother who, Mr. Komori tells me, has always looked after the business of his family.

30 THE COMMISSIONER: Q: Where is your brother?

A He is up at 70 Mile House logging camp.

THE COMMISSIONER: What you had better do, Mrs. Perkins, is get authority from the brother to Haruo to file a claim on behalf of both the estate and himself, and we will deal with it as one claim, and that authority from the brother will have to be filed as an exhibit on the proceedings here.

MRS. PERKINS: Yes, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: Then we can dispense with any formal
10 hearing at which Haruo will have to attend again?

MR. BRAIDWOOD: As far as the Crown is concerned, yes, my lord.

(Proceedings adjourned sine die)

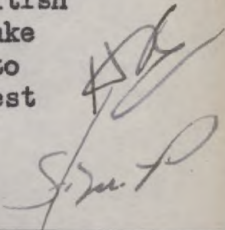
*I hereby certify the foregoing to
be a true and accurate report of
the said proceedings.*

Therese A. ...
Deputy Official Stenographer

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At date of sale property belonged to my father Matsunosuke Komori and my brother Tadahiro Komori as joint tenants. On March 11, 1946 a Grant of Letters of Administration with Will Annexed was given to me by the Supreme Court of British Columbia, in Probate in the matter of the Estate of my late father Matsunosuke Komori, Deceased. My brother Tadahiro Komori has authorized me ~~in writing~~ to make the within claim on his behalf in respect to his former one-half interest in the above described property.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'S. P.', is written on the right side of the document. The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive.

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.

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

- (1) NAME KOMORI HARUO (RCMP) Reg. No. 04827
(Print) Surname Given Name
- (2) Pre-Evacuation Address 318 River Road, Lulu Island, Richmond, B.C.
- (3) Present Address 70 Mile P.O., B.C.
- (4) REAL ESTATE
- (a) Street Address (if any) 318 River Road, Lulu Island, Richmond, B.C.
City or Municipality, Province
- (b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.)
Municipality of Richmond, Province of British Columbia,
Lot 5, a subdivision of 10.58 acre parcel of Sections 28 and 29, Block 5 North,
Range 6 West, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 4899
- (c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):
(i) Farm
(ii) Residence Type of business
(iii) ~~Business~~
(iv) ~~Any other type of property - (describe)~~
- (d) What was your interest in the property (e.g., sole owner, life tenant, joint tenant, owner of one half or one third interest, leasehold, etc.).....
- (e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):
(i) Land - - - - - \$
(ii) Buildings - - - - - \$
(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable) - - - - - \$
(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) - - - - - \$ 5500.00
(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - - \$ 3375.93
half to Matsunosuke Komori and half to Tadahiro Komori
- (f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - \$ 2124.07

~~(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY~~

- ~~(a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation~~
- ~~(b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.)~~
- ~~(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation~~

(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")~~

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

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|-----|-------|--------------------|-------|
| 1. | | Estimated Value \$ | |
| 2. | | Estimated Value \$ | |
| 3. | | Estimated Value \$ | |
| 4. | | Estimated Value \$ | |
| 5. | | Estimated Value \$ | |
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| 7. | | Estimated Value \$ | |
| 8. | | Estimated Value \$ | |
| 9. | | Estimated Value \$ | |
| 10. | | Estimated Value \$ | |

TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS \$

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

(f) Total claim including real and personal property (this figure can be arrived at by adding items 4(f) and 5(e) - - - - - \$ 2124.07

(6) (a) Place at which claimant prefers to be heard. (b) Do you require the services of an interpreter at the hearing? Yes or no No
(Vancouver, Kamloops, Nelson, Lethbridge, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Toronto or Montreal.)

Vancouver, B.C.

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 Vancouver)
TO WIT:)

I, HARUO KOMORI of the Post Office
of 70 Mile House in the Province of British Columbia

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 Vancouver,)
in the Province of British Columbia)
this 15th day of September)

Haruo Komori
John E. ...
A Commissioner &c.

A.D. ~~1947~~ 1949

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.

1. LAND	2. Acres	3. Date of Purchase	4. From Whom	5. Cost Price	6. Cleared or cultivated at date of Purchase	7. Improvements at date of Purchase	8. Estimated value at Date of Sale
Uncleared Cultivated not planted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cultivated and not in crop List Crops Cleared but not cultivated	1.77	December 4, 1930	Alice Mary Sexsmith, Widow	\$1770.00	See Item 1	None	\$1770.00

Total

\$1770.00

9. IMPROVEMENTS SINCE PURCHASE OTHER THAN BUILDINGS (e.g. cultivation, plants, trees or special equipment)

Description	When Made	Cost
(Drainage - ditch full length of property and cedar drains (Fencing - cedar posts	1933	\$250.00

Fruit trees planted - 4 pear, 1 cherry, 1 plum and 9 apple
Road built from main road to garage - 100 ft. 3 x 12 boards
all bearing in 1941

10. BUILDINGS	Type	Size	Finish	Date Built	Material	Paid for Labour	Value of Own Labour	Allowance for Depreciation	Estimated Value
	House	24' x 40' Approx	SHINGLE ROOF CEDAR SIDING	1931-32	\$3000.00	Nil	1280.00	\$7500.00	\$7500.00
	Net Shed	20' x 40' x 8'	Shingle roof and sides on cement blocks, painted	1932	360.00	Nil	160.00	250.00	270.00
	Garage	12' x 24' x 9'	SHINGLE ROOF CEDAR SIDING	1937	200.00	Nil	128.00	82.00	246.00
	Boat Shop	20' x 44' x 10'	Drop siding, shingle roof, painted	1938	875.00	Nil	364.00	250.00	989.00
									3005.00
									\$5300.00

11. Attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A" to this my declaration is a snapshot of the house and ^{one} of the outbuildings.
12. That prior to my late father's death he valued the property at approximately \$5500.00

13. Comments re Appraiser's report not covered by above information:
The building costs as set out in Item 10 are of necessity approximate insofar as the labour is concerned as the buildings were all built by myself and my father and my brothers but they are based on the approximate number of hours spent in building each one and the labour costs at the date of building, Depreciation has been allowed at 5% per annum.
14. At the time of the sale of this property to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act I am of the opinion that it could have been sold for \$5500.00 without difficulty and I therefore claim the market value of the property at that date to have been \$5500.00.

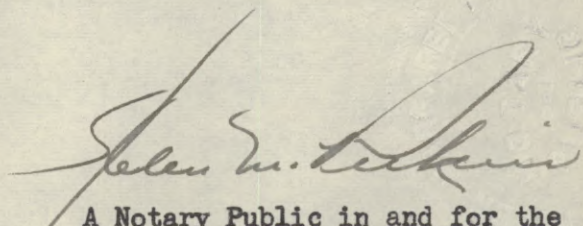
AND I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the "Canada Evidence Act".
DECLARED BEFORE ME at the Town of Lillooet, in the Province of British Columbia)
this 29th day of October, A.D. 1949.

H. Komori
SIGNATURE

CANADA)
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA)
TO WIT:)

I, HELEN MARGARET PERKINS, a Notary Public for the Province of British Columbia, by royal authority duly appointed, residing at the City of Vancouver, in the said Province, do certify that the paper-writing hereunto annexed is a true copy of a document produced and shown to me and purporting to be Letters of Administration with Will Annexed in the matter of the Estate of Matsunosuke Komori, Deceased, given under the seal of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, in Probate the 11th day of March, 1946, the said copy having been compared by me with the said original document, an act whereof being requested, I have granted under my notarial form and seal of office to serve and avail as occasion shall or may require.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office at Vancouver, British Columbia, this 16th day of September, A.D. 1949.



A Notary Public in and for the Province of British Columbia.

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FORM A.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
IN PROBATE

Lillooet Registry.

BE IT KNOWN that on the eleventh day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and Forty-six, the last Will and Testament (a copy whereof is hereunto annexed) of Matsunosuke Komori late of Lillooet, British Columbia deceased, who died at Lytton, British Columbia on or about the twelfth day of November, 1945 was exhibited, read, and proved before a Judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, and administration of all the estate which by law devolves to and vests in the personal representative of the said deceased was granted to Haruo Komori the ~~Executor~~ ^{Administrator} ~~with will annexed~~, Administrator with will annexed.

Given under the Seal of the said Court, this eleventh day of March, A.D. 1946.

"G. H. Beley"

District Registrar.

Extracted by Percy John Wilson Solicitor.

Estate sworn under	\$4252.06
Probate Duty	\$
Succession Duty	\$

This Grant is made upon the condition that no portion of the assets shall be distributed or paid during the War to any beneficiary or creditor who is a National of the German Reich or Italy wherever resident, or to any one on his behalf, or to or on behalf of any person resident in the German Reich or Italy of whatever nationality, or to or on behalf of any subject or citizen of any country at war with His Majesty, without the express sanction of the Crown acting through the Minister of Finance; and if any distribution or payment is made contrary to this condition the grant of probate or letters of administration will be forthwith revoked.

J. M. P.

"GHB"

THIS IS THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of me,
Matsunosuke Komori, of the Town of Eburne in the Province of British
Columbia, made this Nineteenth day of August in the year of our Lord
One thousand nine hundred and Thirty-one.

I revoke all former wills or other testamentary
dispositions by me at any time heretofore made, and declare this only
to be and to contain my last will and testament.

I direct all my just debts, funeral and testamentary
expenses be paid and satisfied by my executor hereinafter named, as
soon as conveniently may be after my decease.

I nominate, constitute, and appoint Jujiro Nishimura,
Merchant, of 9182 Hudson Street, City of Vancouver, B.C. trustees of my
estate to be the sole executor of this my will and

I give, devise and bequeath all the property, both
real and personal, of which I may die possessed to my trustees in trust
with power to call in and convert the same into cash as soon as in their
opinion the same can advantageously be done, and distribute my estate,
or the proceeds thereof, as follows: To my wife, Haru Matsunosuke as
long as she shall live and then to be equally divided among all my children
then living.

All the residue of my estate not hereinbefore disposed
of I direct shall be

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand the
day and year first above written.

Signed, published and declared)
by the said Matsunosuke Komori)
the testator as and for his)
last will and testament in the) "Matsunosuke Komori"
presence of us who both present)
together at the same time in)
his presence at his request and)
in the presence of each other)
have hereunto subscribed our)
names as witness.)

Witness : "Annabel M. Simpson"

Witness: "William George Simpson"

LILLOOET
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REGISTRY
"G. H. Beley"

L.S.
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF the Estate of
Matsunosuke Komori, deceased.

WHEREAS Matsunosuke Komori, late of Lillooet in the Province of British Columbia, deceased, died on the 12th day of November, 1945, at Lillooet aforesaid, having made and duly executed his last will and testament, bearing date the 19th day of August, A.D. 1931, and thereof appointed me, the undersigned Jujiro Nishimura, sole executor.

Now I, the said Jujiro Nishimura, do hereby declare that I have not intermeddled in the estate of the said deceased, and will not hereafter intermeddle therein with intent to defraud creditors, and I do hereby renounce all my right and title to the probate and execution of the said will.

Signed by the said Jujiro)
Nishimura this 28th day of)
November A.D. 1945. in the)
presence of)

"Jujiro Nishimura"

"George Mason"
Postmaster McGillivray Falls, B.C.

November 1st 1949.

The Custodian,
675 West Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir,

Re: Claim of Haruo KOMORI

We enclose herewith statement showing particulars of real estate, declared by the claimant, together with the exhibit referred to in the declaration.

Yours truly,

A. WATSON
Per.

Secretary.

Enc.
VW.

WATTS & PERKINS

Barristers and Solicitors

A. WATTS - H. M. PERKINS

126 MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE BUILDING
815 HASTINGS STREET WEST

VANCOUVER
CANADA

October 31, 1949.

Japanese Property Claims Commission,
Court House,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

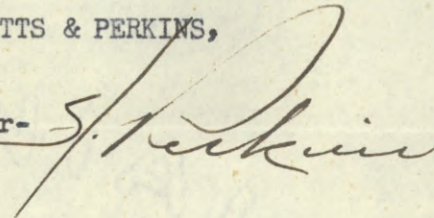
Re: Haruo Komori

Further to our letter to you of the 17th instant we are now enclosing in duplicate the necessary sworn statement made by Mr. Haruo Komori in this matter. We trust the same will be found in order and that you will notify us in due course of the hearing date set for this particular claim.

Yours truly,

WATTS & PERKINS,

per-



HMP:DB
Enc.

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WATTS & PERKINS

Barristers and Solicitors

A. WATTS - H. M. PERKINS

126 MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE BUILDING
815 HASTINGS STREET WEST

VANCOUVER
CANADA

October 17, 1949.

Japanese Property Claims Commission,
Court House,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Haruo Komori

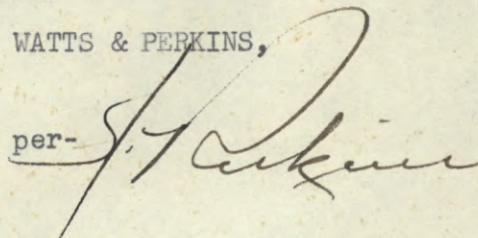
Further to our letter herein of September 19th last we are now enclosing herewith a letter of authority from Tadaihiro Komori authorizing the above Mr. Haruo Komori to act for him in respect to his claim with regard to the property formerly numbered 318 River Road, Lulu Island, Richmond, B.C.

We have been some time obtaining all of the particulars necessary to complete the sworn statement required by the Commission but we anticipate that we shall be able to complete and file the same within a matter of ten days' time. As you are aware it will have to go to Lillooet to be sworn by Mr. H. Komori.

Yours truly,

WATTS & PERKINS,

per-



HMP:DB
Enc.

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September 20th 1949.

The Custodian,
Royal Bank Bldg.,
675 W. Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir,

Re claim of KOMORI Haruo

We enclose herewith duplicate of
claim filed on behalf of the above party. This claim
will in due course be presented for hearing by the
Commissioner, but no date has as yet been set for
this.

Yours truly,

W

A. WATSON

Secretary.

Enc.
AW/W.

September 20th 1949.

Messrs. Watts & Perkins,
Barristers and Solicitors,
126 Merchants Exchange Bldg.,
815 Hastings St. West,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs,

Re: Haruo KOMORI

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 19th inst. enclosing claim in duplicate of the above party, and original Grant of Letters of Administration with Will annexed, together with notarially certified copy of the Grant. As requested by you, we are returning herewith the original Grant, and we are retaining the certified copy for our use.

We understand you will confer with Mr. R. J. McMaster in the matter of preparing a statement showing full particulars of the real estate, which will require to be attached to the claim. As soon as this form has been prepared, we shall be glad if you will favor us with a certified copy.

Yours very truly,

W

A. WATSON

Secretary,

Enc.
AW/W.

WATTS & PERKINS

Barristers and Solicitors

A. WATTS - H. M. PERKINS

126 MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE BUILDING
815 HASTINGS STREET WEST**VANCOUVER**
CANADA

September 19, 1949.

Japanese Property Claims Commission,
Court House,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Haruo Komori, Administrator
with Will Annexed of the Estate
of Matsunosuke Komori, Deceased
and Tadahiro Komori, joint tenants
of Lot 5, a sub. of 10.58 acre
parcel of Sections 28 and 29, Block 5
North, Range 6 West, Group 1,
NWD, Plan 4899

Following the granting of leave to file the above claim we are now enclosing herewith completed claim form in duplicate which we have had Mr. Komori swear. We are also enclosing at this time the original Grant of Letters of Administration with Will Annexed in the matter of the Estate of Matsunosuke Komori, Deceased. A notarially certified copy of the Grant is enclosed and we would ask that the original Grant be returned to us when the same has been compared with the copy. We have arranged with Mr. Komori that he will provide us with authority in writing to himself to act on behalf of his brother Tadahiro Komori who was a joint owner of the above property at the time of sale. As soon as we receive the letter of authority we shall forward the same to you.

Yours truly,

WATTS & PERKINS

per. 

HMP:DB

September 20th 1949.

D. T. Braidwood, Esq.,
506 Royal Bank Building,
675 W. Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir,

Re Haruo KOMORI

Referring to your letter of the
19th inst.- Claim on behalf of the above party
was today filed by Messrs. Watts & Perkins.

Yours very truly,

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A. WATSON

Secretary.

AW/W.

Sutton, Braidwood & Morris

SUCCESSORS TO

Reid, Wallbridge, Gibson, Sutton & Braidwood

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~~XX 525 Seymour Street~~ Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

19th September 1949.

Mr. S. Watson,
The Court House,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir,

H. Komori

I would be pleased if you would advise me when Mrs. Perkins files the above application in order that I may discuss the situation.

Yours very truly,

D. T. Braidwood

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September 10th 1949.

Messrs. Watts & Perkins,
126 Merchants' Exchange Building,
815 Hastings Street West,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs,

Re H. KOMORI

We have to advise that your application for leave to file a claim on behalf of the above party will be heard on Thursday, September 15th next, in the Appeal Court Room, at 10 A.M.

It might be as well not to have your client appear until the application to file the claim has been granted and a date set for hearing.

The Commissioner will require satisfactory reasons for late filing, and it will also be necessary for the claimant to produce documentary evidence showing that he has the power to claim regarding the property in question.

Yours truly,

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A. WATSON

Secretary.

AW/W.

August 17th 1949.

Messrs. Watts & Perkins,
Barristers and Solicitors,
126 Merchants Exchange Bldg.,
815 W. Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

P. a. 7931

Dear Sirs,

Re H. KOMORI

Your letter of July 28th duly received,
regarding the possibility of filing a claim for
the above named Japanese.

We would suggest that you have a claim
prepared and signed by the claimant, with the usual
statutory declaration, and setting out the reasons
for delay in filing and also the authority conveyed
to him by Letters Probate or other document.
This claim can then be presented to the Commissioner
at one of the early hearings in September,
for acceptance or otherwise.

Yours truly,

A. WATSON
Per.

Secretary

VW.

August 12th 1949.

A. Watson, Esq.,
877 Newport Ave.,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Mr. Watson,

Re H. Komori

In response to your letter to Mr. Braidwood regarding the above claim, the following letter from him has been received:

"I have your letter of the 29th July with regard to the above and, in the circumstances, feel that it would be wise to advise Messrs. Watts & Perkins to appear before the Commissioner at one of the early hearings in the fall. They can then state their reasons why they consider this claim should be heard.

I feel that the Commissioner will be better able to judge if the matter is formally spoken to."

Do you think we should write Watts & Perkins now to this effect, or leave it until you get back?

Nothing else of any interest has transpired since you left Vancouver. The weather holds the spotlight, but we continue to hope. One day soon I expect to get the hay cut in the garden enough at least to see what is there. I hope that you have been able to get in a few days golfing.

Sincerely,

Sutton, Braidwood & Morris

SUCCESSORS TO

Reid, Wallbridge, Gibson, Sutton & Braidwood

Barristers and Solicitors

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9th August 1949.

A. Watson, Esq.,
Japanese Property Claims Commission,
Court House,
Vancouver, B.C.

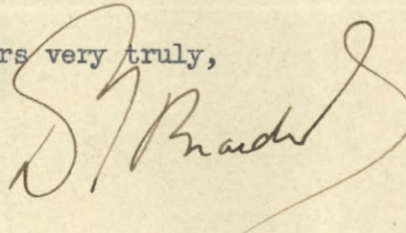
Dear Sir,

H. Komori

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I feel that the Commissioner will be better able to judge if the matter is formally spoken to.

Yours very truly,



July 29th 1949.

D. T. Braidwood, Esq.,
Barrister and Solicitor,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Braidwood,

Re H. KOMORI

We enclose herewith copy of letter from Messrs. Watts & Perkins; acting on behalf of the above claimant; also copy of our letter to the above firm, and copy of their reply.

We shall be glad if you will favor us with your opinion as to whether or not permission should be granted to file a claim at this late date.

Yours truly,



A. WATSON

Secretary.

Encs.
AW/W.

WATTS & PERKINS

Barristers and Solicitors

A. WATTS - H. M. PERKINS

126 MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE BUILDING
815 HASTINGS STREET WEST**VANCOUVER**
CANADA

July 28, 1949.

Japanese Property Claims Commission,
Court House,
Vancouver, B.C.Attention Mr. A. Watson

Dear Sirs:

Re: H. KOMORI

We refer to your letter to us of the 20th instant.

We are now informed by the above Mr. Komori that he was living in the Town of Lillooet at the time the survey of these claims was made and was a logger. It appears that the property in question was registered in his father's name and his father died November the 12th, 1945. We have not investigated the matter further as to his interest in his father's estate and so forth as we do not wish to put him to further expense if there is no chance that a claim could be filed at this date. It would appear that any claim should have been filed by the administrator or executor of the father's estate and we do not know whether the above named acted in that capacity or not.

If further information regarding the father's estate would be required by the Commissioner before granting permission to file such a claim we shall be pleased to proceed with the matter and obtain any such information which may be available.

Yours faithfully,
WATTS & PERKINSper 

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*Send Copy to
Barristers*

20th July, 1949

Messrs. Watts & Perkins,
Barristers and Solicitors,
126 Merchants Exchange Building,
815 Hastings St. West,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

re H. Komori

We have received from the Custodian of Enemy Property a copy of your letter to him of 18th inst. and a copy of his reply to you dated 19th inst.

For your information we might state that the expiry date for filing claims with the Commission was 31st December, 1947. We desire to know the reason why your client did not file a claim prior to the expiry date, and where he was living, and how he was occupied at 31st December, 1947. On receipt of this information the matter will be submitted to the Commissioner for consideration, and in due course you will be advised as to whether or not permission can be granted to file a claim at this very late date.

Yours truly,

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SECRETARY

Send Copy to B. Raymond

CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 6131

PLEASE REFER TO

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VANCOUVER, B. C.

July 19, 1949.

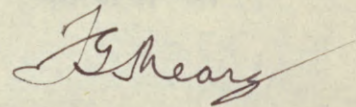
Mr. A. Watson,
Secretary to the Commission,
Japanese Property Claims Committee,
Court House,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Watson:

Re: H. KOMORI Property sold to
Director, Veterans' Land Act

For your information, I am enclosing copy
of a letter received from Messrs. Watts & Perkins, Barristers
and Solicitors, together with copy of my reply.

Yours very truly,



F.G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/GN

*When reason for delay in filing is received from claimant
notify Mr. Brandwood of such reason and ask him whether or
not claim should be filed.*

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July 19, 1949.

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Messrs. Watts & Perkins,
Barristers and Solicitors,
815 Hastings St. West,
Vancouver, B.C.

Attention, Mr. H.M. Perkins

Dear Sirs:

Re: H. KOMORI Property sold to
Director, Veterans' Land Act

We are in receipt of your letter of the 18th instant with reference to the above. The original date for filing claims was November 30, 1947, and this was extended to December 31, 1947.

The hearing of the evidence of Japanese claimants before the Commissioner, The Honorable Mr. Justice Henry Bird or before Sub-commissioners at various centres across Canada, was concluded some months ago, and I am not aware of the possibility of any further claims being considered.

For your information, I have forwarded a copy of your letter, together with a copy of this reply, to Mr. A. Watson, Secretary to the Commission, Court House, Vancouver.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/GN

WATTS & PERKINS
Barristers & Solicitors

A. Watts H.M. Perkins

126 Merchants' Exchange Building,
815 Hastings Street West,
VANCOUVER
Canada.

July 18, 1949.

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Custodian of Enemy Property,
675 West Hastings Street,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:

We have had an enquiry from a Japanese, H. Komori, of 70 Mile P.O., B.C. with regard to the possibility of making a claim at this time in respect to certain of his property which was sold in 1943 to the Soldier Settlement Board by your office. Apparently Mr. Komori has not made a claim previously. He states that the property was sold for \$3375.93. We assume that you have a record of the transaction in your office.

We would appreciate it very much if you would advise us as to whether or not a claim for compensation can still be filed with respect to such a sale. Mr. Komori claims that the value of the property was about \$5500.00. We shall appreciate hearing from you in due course.

Yours truly,

WATTS & PERKINS,

per - "H.M. PERKINS"

HMP:DB

Send copy to Broadwood