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**OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION**

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having property in any protected area. The proper administration of this property requires such persons to give full particulars as requested in this form.

PERSONAL INFORMATIONNAME: **NAKAMURA Sukejiro.**HOME ADDRESS: **1026. Queens Avenue, New Westminster, B.C.**REGISTRATION NUMBER **01960.** SEX: **Male.** AGE: **48.**OCCUPATION: **Jewelry Store (now given up).**

(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: **None.**MARRIED? **Yes.**NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: **Sumi. 7836**ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: **1026. Queens Avenue, New Westminster, B.C.**NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: **Suezo (M)****Teruo (M)****Haruko (F)**ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: **as above.**AGE OF CHILDREN: **15, 13, 11.****STATEMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY** (Each parcel must be mentioned and particulars given)

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

Land registered in wife's name.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

House registered in wife's name.

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable)

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed)

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: _____
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: 1026. Queens Avenue, New Westminster, B.C.
living in house owned by wife.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Wife, Nakamura Sumi.
address as above.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:
Rent free.
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: _____
2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS _____
3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY _____

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: _____

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: _____

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) _____

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) _____

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: _____

9. LIFE INSURANCE: \$1,000.00 Twenty Year Endowment. Policy in own possession. Number unknown. Beneficiary, wife Sumi. Confederation Life Insurance Co., Vancouver. B.C.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: _____

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: _____

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: _____

2. TRADE DEBTS: _____

REMARKS: _____

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 9th day of April, 1947

(Signature)

Subijiro Nakamura

Dorothy M. Chope
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE _____

[Handwritten mark]

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INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

Aug 5/43.
July 16, 1943

Our File No.

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Full Name

NAKAMURA, Subijiro
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No.

01960

Male - Female
(check)

Age

Feb 4, 1895

Former Address

1026 Queens Ave., New Westminster

Date Evacuated

April 11/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address

Vasts, B. C.

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife

(nee #08337.
YANAWAKI) Sumi

Name of Husband

Name of Mother

Iso (dead)

Name of Father

Katsujiro (dead)

Names of Children under 16

(see over)

Sueyo (W), #15-977.

Juno (M), Feb 14, 1929.

Haruko (F), Feb 2, 1931.

Requested by

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Registered with Custodian

(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Jewelry Store, 875- Carnarvon St.,

New Westminster.

File No. 2355

February 15th, 1945

CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

Sukehiro NAKAMURA - Reg. No. 01960

CREDITORS:-

NO CLAIMS ON FILE.

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PIANOS
ELECTRIC REFRIGERATORS
WASHING MACHINES

FURNITURE

RADIOS
RADIO SUPPLIES

Columbia Piano House

R. M. ROSS, Proprietor

Telephone 611

COLUMBIA PIANO & FURNITURE LTD.
SUCCESSORS TO
COLUMBIA PIANO HOUSE
New Westminster, B. C.

675 Columbia Street

New Westminster, B.C.

Aug. 8, 1944.

Provincial Police,
(B. C. Security Commission),
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

We are in receipt of a letter from
Mr. S. Nakamura of Kaslo, B. C., instructing us to
release to a Mr. Geo. G. Lambert of Kaslo the
following:

- 1 - electric refrigerator
- 1 - console radio
- 1 - mantel radio

These items have been held by us in
storage on behalf of Mr. Nakamura for some time past
and this letter goes on to state that they have been
sold to this Mr. Lambert. We recollect about a year
ago having shipped to this same Mr. Lambert a radio
that was the property of a Mr. Eiji Takeda and it
occurred to us that you might find the circumstances
rather unusual.

If Mr. Geo. G. Lambert is now the
bona fide owner of the goods formerly owned by Mr.
Nakamura, are we at liberty to ship them to him when
requested to do so. Kindly advise.

Yours very truly,

COLUMBIA PIANO & FURNITURE LTD.

Per

TBW: VM

Mr. Green

Robert Wilson

MEMORANDUM

File Nos.: 2355
7835

March 14th, 1945.

To: Mrs. McArthur

From: Mr. Green

Re: Mr. and Mrs. Sukejiro NAKAMURA

Mr. Sukejiro Nakamura, file 2355, declared on April 9th, 1942, that his occupation was "Jewelry store (now given up)". He lived at 1026 Queens Avenue, New Westminster, the land and house being registered in his wife's name. He declared no personal property, equipment, nor stock-in-trade whatsoever.

His wife declared the house and their furniture and effects left in the basement but her list does not include any jewelers' equipment. Before evacuation she asked the Westminster Trust Company to rent her house and they referred this to us on April 27th, 1942. They later took an inventory (July 29th, 1942) and then reported a watch repair showcase and watch repairing tools and equipment.

In April 1943, the Westminster Trust Company sent us a letter from the daughter, Judy, asking them to pay Messrs. Belyea their outstanding storage charges. This was authorized by us but it was not until June 1943 that it appeared that these charges were for a safe held on behalf of Nakamura. Mrs. Nakamura answered an enquiry from us and stated that they were not interested in selling it.

On June 19th, 1944, February 25th, March 15th, and April 21st, 1944, the household effects were also auctioned in New Westminster in accordance with the Custodian's policy of realization. The only item of jewelry equipment included was a jeweler's buffer and motor sold for \$9.00. This would be a standard piece of equipment which would not

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15th March, 1945.

Howard Green Esq., M.P.,
Parliament Buildings,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:

Re: Sukehiro NAKAMURA.

Mrs. McArthur has informed me that you telephoned this office just prior to your leaving for Ottawa and enquired in regard to some jewelry equipment belonging to the above named Japanese who had been evacuated to Kaslo.

Our file reveals that at the time of evacuation when this man registered his affairs with us he did not declare ownership to any personal property, equipment or stock-in-trade.

Their property at 1026 Queens Avenue, New Westminster, was registered in the name of his wife but her list of personal effects does not include any jewelry equipment. It was not until our Agents made a physical inventory in July 1943 that we had any knowledge of any such equipment.

Up until September 1943, upon the request of the Japanese and with the consent of the British Columbia Security Commission, this office was prepared to ship personal effects and chattels to the owner.

Somewhat prior to that date the Japanese were advised of our intention to put into effect the liquidation of chattels by public auction and this policy has since been operative. Included in an Auction held on March 15th, 1944, the only item of jewelry equipment disposed of was a Jeweller's Buffer and motor which realized \$9.00.

On April 4th, 1944, this office wrote to Mr. Nakamura advising him that his remaining jewelry equipment being more in the nature of personal tools could be shipped to him if required, but that unless we heard from him to the contrary they would be sold by public auction. No answer was received and on May 17th, 1944, some other items, including a Jeweller's bench and cabinet were disposed of. Before offering these goods for auction we obtained the advice of a local Jeweller that the equipment was old fashioned and of little value.

Mr. Nakamura advised us on January 7th, 1945, that he expected to leave for Winnipeg and requested the shipment of an electric refrigerator and two radios. The British Columbia Security Commission not offering any objection to this, the goods in question which were stored with the Columbia Piano House, New Westminster, have now been shipped.

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November 26th, 1945.

Fletcher Lock & Key Works Ltd.,
330 West Cordova Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Sumi (Mrs. Sukehiro) NAKAMURA, Reg. 08337

This will acknowledge receipt of your check in the amount of \$150.00 in payment for the sale of one Hall safe as is and where is now lying at the Balyea & Company's storage warehouse in New Westminster, being the property of Sumi NAKAMURA.

The accrued storage charges will be paid to the Balyea Company by this office.

The combination of this safe is:

64, 4 right
80, 3 left
75, 2 right
67, 1 left

Yours truly,

W. J. Iverson,
Protection Department.

WJI:DP