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SEALING DIVISION

RICHMOND BRANCH
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: SATO, Kikuji

HOME ADDRESS: P.O. Box 950, Dyke Rd., Richmond, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 08487 SEX: Male AGE: 57

OCCUPATION: Fisherman

(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: YOSHI

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Same address

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: KOJIRO (M)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Same address

AGE OF CHILDREN: 9 yrs.

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

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: _____ None _____
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: _____ None _____
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN _____ None _____

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: _____ Rents land on Hamilton Rd; and part of waterfront _____
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: _____
_____ Low Shing - address unknown _____
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: _____
_____ \$10.85 per yr. paid for 1941. _____
4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: _____ None _____
5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid) _____
_____ None _____
6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN: _____
_____ None _____

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS: _____
_____ House ~~movable~~ movable. Situated on above land. Float adjacent to _____
_____ House (24' X 36') Float (60' X 40') Wood shed (10' X 20') _____
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 _____
_____ 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 22nd day of April 1942.

A. J. McArthur

Witness

(Signature) *H. Lato*

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date Aug. 10/43.

Our File No. 5296

Full Name SATO, Kikui
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 08487 Male - Female (check) Age Dec. 10, 1885

Former Address P.O. Box 950, Dyke Rd., Richmond, B.C.

Date Evacuated 18/7/42. Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National (check)

Present Address Taylor Lake Clinton B.C.
1/2 Andersen Lodge - "Giscombe" B.C.
21/3/46

Married - Single (check) Name of Wife Yoshi # 08492

Name of Mother Deed Name of Husband -
Name of Father Deed

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by E. Girard Registered with Custodian Yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Fisherman Owner of house
at above address

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SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: July 8, 1944

Name: SATO, kikuj1

Reg. No. 08487

File: 5296

Boat File No.: JFVDC 474

Name of Vessel: "Y.S." 1097, 28'x6'4"x3'4" (1933) Easthope 10-14 HP (1937)

Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 2086

Naval No.: NW.091-H

Owner's Valuation: \$700.00

JFVDC Valuation: None

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: April 21, 1942

Purchaser: Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: K. Sato

Selling Price: \$575.00

Paid to JFVDC ~~or Custodian~~: 575.00

Supervision Costs: 8.25

Balance due Owner: 566.75

Paid to: K. Sato, per Y. Sato, April 21, 1942

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Claim #170 - Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd. \$3.72 (Paid)

Claim #170a Wright Shipyards (Repairs) \$226.58 (Paid)

Additional Information:

Licensed in the name of K. Sato, but reported to have been ~~actually~~ actually owned by Yoshiaki SATO.

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File No. 5296

DATE

August 2nd, 1943. (letter)

CREDITOR

H
Yukio KASEBE

DEBTOR

Kikuji SATO

AMOUNT OWING

\$375.95

AGENT

nil

ORIGINAL FILE

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Also lodged
again for Yohiaki

CLAIM

File No. 5296.

DATE

April 22, 1943

CREDITOR

Mitsugi Yamashita

DEBTOR

Kikuji Sato

AMOUNT OWING

\$47.49

AGENT

ORIGINAL FILE

5447

January 13, 1943

B.T.

MEMORANDUM

File 5296

March 27th, 1946.

TO: THE FILE

FROM: W. J. IVERSON

Re: Kikui SATO, Reg. 08487.

Summary as to Chattels: Movable house 24 X 36 and Float
60 X 40 declared on rented land of Low Sing.

No recovery and no other information on file.

The house referred to above was examined by Mrs. Peters and the
writer today. The float was not in evidence however, and no definite
information about it could be gained.

The house is on the foreshore at high water mark and although,
originally a floating affair is now on solid supports.

WJI:DF

W. J. Iverson

MEMORANDUM

File No. 5296

March 17th, 1945.

TO: The File

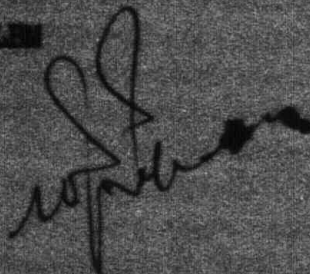
FROM: Mr. W. J. Iverson

RE: Kikuji SATO
Dyke Road

Mr. Dillinger who now occupies a site adjacent to where this float and house were located, stated that both these were towed away to Anacostia Island soon after the Japanese were evacuated. It is possible that SATO may have disposed of these himself.

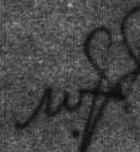
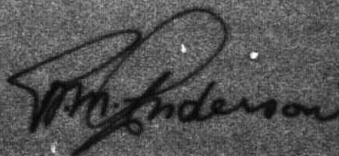
There were no chattels involved.

WJI:LEW



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This is wrong as
the house is still there



MEMORANDUM

File 5296

January 19th, 1945.

TO: E. H. Anderson
FROM: W. J. Iversen

RE: Kikui SATO

The above named Japanese declared a movable house
24 X 36 and a float 60 X 40 on land rented from Lew Shing. It
is described as on Hamilton Road and waterfront, the float adjacent
to the house.

Will you please investigate and see if these are still
existing. There are no chattels.

WJI:LM

MEMORANDUM

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TO: E. M. Anderson

FROM: W. J. Iversen

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Dyke Rd.

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Will you please investigate and see if these are still existing. There are no chattels.

WJI:LEW

[Handwritten signature]

I boat is reported by neighbors to have been removed by some "Company boat" last spring.

*How about the 9 house
movable house,
it moved.
Jellybean report
was taken away by boat
P.A.
[unclear]*

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March 21st, 1946.

Mr. Kikaji SATO,
Registration No. 08487,
c/o Anderson Lodge,
Giscombe, B. C.

Dear Sir:

In reviewing your file it is noted that you declared the ownership of a movable house and float, both lying on land owned by Low Sing.

Will you kindly advise us whether these were disposed of before you left the Restricted Area and if not, was there an agreement between you and the landlord as to your equity in these possessions.

Yours truly,

W. J. Iverson,
Protection Dept.

WJI:DP

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March 30th, 1946.

Mr. Kikaji SATO,
Registration No. 08487,
Giscombe, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Can you tell us anything about a house on the Dyke in Richmond
a short distance from the movable house you registered with the Custodian.
It appears to be on land owned by Low Sing and our records do not show
its ownership.

We shall be very glad of any information you can give us in
regard to this.

Yours truly,

W. J. Iverson,
Protection Dept.

WJI:DP

New Westminster BC
Feb. 23 1946

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rcd	FEB 23 1946
File No.	
Ans.	
Refer'd	to Peter

Sirs: Re Mr K

Floating house, I and
Mrs Chiba Floating house
all west of Sasaki place
on Duke Road Lake Island

I would like to buy one
at both places. Will
you please give price
and particulars

yours truly
Mrs J. F. Fitch
Gen Del
New Westminster BC

ENEMY SECTION	
Rcd	FEB 23 1946
File No.	7
Ans.	
Refer'd	

Viccome, B.C.
March 23, 1946.

Mr. H. J. Iverson, Protection Dept.,
The Custodian's Office,
Van. B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Date	MAR 28 1946
File No.	5296
Ans.	Noted
Referred	Iverson

Dear Sir: Re. - # 5296.

In reference to your letter of March 21st regarding my movable house & float, which are on Lew Sing's property:

These two have not been disposed of before leaving the Coast, and, further, no agreement of any kind has been drawn up between the landlord & my self. Everything has been left with the Custodian.

I have learned that Mr. Lew Sing has rented the above house to someone after I had left. Moreover, he has been collecting the rent and has never forwarded anything.

Yours truly,
K. Pato # 08487. per. H. Pato.

April 2nd, 1946.

Mr. Kikuji SATO,
Registration No. 08487,
Giscombe, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Further to your letter of March 23rd, 1946, with reference to your house situated on property owned by Low Sing.

The above Chinaman claims ownership of this house being on his land. In order that the Custodian may help you, it will be necessary for you to give this office more information; when did you move this house on to this property, what written or verbal arrangements, if any, were made by you for its removal when this house was placed on said property. We presume the \$10.85 per year was the ground rent you paid Low Sing. Did you pay the rent for 1942. Kindly supply the full history by return mail.

We note that Mr. Iverson of this office has written you with reference to another house on the Dyke which was next to yours. We understand this was owned by a Mrs. Chiba. Can you supply this office with her full name, and if possible, where she is now residing.

Yours truly,

George Peters
Administration Department

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Giscome, P.R.

April 9, 1946

Mr. Geo. Peters,
Lustrations Office,
Van. Post

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 15 1946
File No.	5296
Ans.	
Referred	Peters

Dear Sir: Re - # 5296.

In reply to letter of April 2nd, in which you state that you wish more information regarding my house.

My house was moved on the property of Lou King in 1927. The only verbal agreement was an indefinite one; provided, I paid the \$10.⁰⁰ that you state in your letter. This was part of the improvement tax that he had been assessed by the municipality on that lot. I have paid the rent for 1942. This information can be verified by many who had lived on the Klyke road.

The Mrs. Chita you refer in your letter is now in Vernon district and her name is Mrs. Laki Chita.

Yours truly,
K. Pato per. Sy Pato

Passed to Mulverson

Mallis M. Lefaux

Barrister, Solicitor
Notary

422 METROPOLITAN BUILDING
837 WEST HASTINGS STREET
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Nov. 13, 1950

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	NOV 14 1950
File No.	5296
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Red</i>

Custodian of Enemy Property,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: Kikuji Sato.

I have been consulted on behalf of the above-named with regard to a floathouse on Dyke Road, 2200 Block, near New Westminster.

It appears that the above chattel property was left in your custody by the above-named at the evacuation and that same was reported to you.

I am instructed that there is a Chinese man in residence that claims title.

Will you be good enough to advise me what steps you took to deal with this chattel when it was transferred to you. Were any rents collected? Was it sold?

Yours truly,

M. Lefaux
D.

WWL:CD

November 14, 1950.

Wallis V. Lafoux, Esq.,
Barrister & Solicitor,
422 Metropolitan Bldg.,
837 West Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Kikufi SATO -

Referring to your letter of November 13th. At the time of evacuation, Kikufi Sato declared that he owned a removable house and float situated on property belonging to Low Sing, and that \$10.85 a year had been paid as ground rent. Mr. Sato later advised us as follows:

"My house was moved on the property of Low Sing in 1927. The only verbal agreement was an indefinite one; provided I paid the \$10.85 that you state in your letter. This was part of the improvement tax that he had been assessed by the municipality on the lot. I have paid the rent for 1942*.

We are not aware that any further ground rent has been paid and no rental arrangements were made for the use of the property by us. This office did not disturb any arrangements which may have been made between Sato and Sing.

We have not sold the property nor agreed in any way that the ownership of same could be assumed by Sing.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/CH

File 5296

November 14th, 1950

TO: MR. SHEARS

Re: Floathouse owned by Kikuji SATO

Re letter from W. W. Lefaux, the house was moved on to the Chinaman's (Low Sing) property in 1927. The only agreement between Sato and Sing was a verbal one and the former paid the Chinaman a ground rent of \$10.85 per year. Rent paid for 1942.

The Chinaman claimed ownership of the house, Mr. Peter's letter April 26th, 1946.

There is nothing on the file to indicate that the Custodian took any further action in the matter.

Kikuji Sato's daughter-in-law called at the Office yesterday to ask if it were possible to regain possession of the floathouse. She stated that the man now in possession told her that he had rented it from the Chinaman and finally bought it. She said the Chinaman had returned to China.

No money for rents has been collected by the Custodian.

The Japanese declared this floathouse on his J. P. form.

CHR:BK

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April 17th, 1946.

Mr. Lee Sing,
Hamilton Road,
Richmond, B. C.

Dear Sir:

*Address changed to:-
of Vancouver Traders Ltd.
256-8 East Georgia St
Vancouver, B.C.*

Re: Mrs. Chita
Mr. K. Sato

The above two Japanese declared that they each owned a movable house situated on your land on the east side in Richmond, B. C., on which they paid you an annual ground rent.

Kindly let us have your comments with reference to their claim.

Yours truly,

George Peters
Administration Department

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see file 1682 letter May 17/42.