

RENTAL STATEMENT

5744

BUREAU HASTINGS PARK  
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN  
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE No. 5744

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: MINAMIDE, Etsuo

HOME ADDRESS: Mayne Island, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 14272 SEX: Male AGE: 19

OCCUPATION: Farmer

(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: Father

MARRIED? No

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND:

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN:

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN:

AGE OF CHILDREN:

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

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: 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: Dwelling (farm) Mayne Island, B.C.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: FATHER
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: None
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: None
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) \$100 Victory Bond, 1952 maturity, in ~~my~~ mother's possession, Mayne Is., B.C.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: Royal Bank, Main & Hastings Branch, \$1,000, Acc.#2523

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

REMARKS: None

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 25th day of April 1942

[Signature]  
Witness

(Signature) E. Minamide

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

[Handwritten mark]

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

Nov. 23/43.

Our File No. 5744

Full Name MINAMIDE, Etsuo  
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 14272 Male  - Female  
(check)

Age Mar. 6, 1923

Former Address

Mayne Island, B.C.

Date Evacuated

5/5/42.

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National  
(check)

Present Address

Lethbridge, Alta.

Married - Single   
(check)

Name of Wife —

Name of Husband —

Name of Mother

<sup>nee</sup> (IMANISHI) Ushige

Name of Father

Bungora #14223

Names of Children under 16

Requested by

E.C.P.

Registered with Custodian

Yes  
(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Farmer

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GENERAL SUMMARY

File 5744.

Etseo MINAMIDE

Reg. No. 14272.

This 19-year old Canadian-born farmer from Mayne Island, signed a Custodian "JP" declaration form on the 25th April, 1942. He was single at date of evacuation, May 5/42.

The following is a summary of the contents of this file as disclosed by a review made today.

Real Property: None.

Personal Property: Declarant stated he owned no chattels in the protected area (he lived with his parents, Files 5141 & 7217, on Mayne Island).

Bills Receivable: On the 8th July, 1946, this account was credited with \$861.44, being one-third share of net residue (\$2,584.31) of Estate of father (Dungoro MINAMIDE, File 5141), who passed on at Lethbridge on May 25/44. See July 5/46 for Official Administrator's statement of account with list of beneficiaries.

Bonds, Shares, etc.: A Victory Bond (\$100.00) declared to be in mother's possession, did not come under our administration.

Bank Accounts: A balance of \$1,000.00 declared to be in Account No. 2523 with the Main & Hastings Streets branch of the Royal Bank of Canada, was not disturbed by this office.

Life Insurance: None.

Liabilities: There are no claims recorded in this file.

Funds: There is a balance of \$861.44 standing at the credit of this account at the present time.

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

19th May, 1947.



RHB/P.

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*Mailed 20/8/47*

August 15th, 1947.

REGISTERED MAIL.

Mr. Eturo MINAMIDE,  
Registration No. 14272,  
c/o Messrs. S. M. McDonald Lumber Co.,  
Hagrath, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

Your file is up for review and it is noted that the only entry in your account with this office is one for \$861.44, representing your share of your late father's estate.

No further entries are expected in this account, which we therefore desire to close and we are enclosing our cheque in your favour for \$861.44, and we shall be glad to receive your acknowledgment of this remittance, for which purpose we enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

Yours truly,

R. G. Bell,  
Office of the Custodian.

RGB/T.  
Encl. 2.

5161, 7227, 7226, 5744

December 7, 1946.

Messrs. Struth, Pringle & Sutton,  
Barristers, Solicitors & Notaries,  
305-311 Bank of Toronto Building,  
1405 Douglas Street,  
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Estate of Sumuro Hinomido, Deceased.

On July 4, 1946, you forwarded to this office final distribution of funds in the above estate, together with forms of release to be signed by the heirs.

These forms were forwarded to the heirs for signature on July 8, 1946 but have not, as yet, been returned to this office. It is possible that they were returned either to you or to Mr. Cox. If not, you may wish to contact the heirs in an effort to have them returned. Their present addresses are:

Mrs. Uchiyo Hinomido,  
Registration No. 14231,  
c/o Crin Market,  
Box 36,  
Hagroth, Alberta.

Miss Fumiyo Hinomido,  
Registration No. 14236,  
Hagroth, Alberta

and

Mr. Elmas Hinomido,  
Registration No. 14272,  
c/o S. H. McDonald Lumber Company,  
Hagroth, Alberta.

Yours very truly,

A. G. Bairdner,  
Office of the Custodian.

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252, 727,  
722, 724  
Income Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
Winnipeg, B. C.,  
July 6, 1946

Mr. Ross H. H. H.,  
Winnipeg, B. C.,  
c/o Mrs. H. H.,  
Box 2,  
Winnipeg, Alberta

Re: Estate of Edward H. H., Dec'd

Dear Sir:

Mr. E. L. Cox, Official Administrator, Victoria, B. C., has now completed his administration of the above estate and has forwarded to this office a cheque, amounting to \$2,544.21, representing the balance of funds held by him in this connection.

In full of the demand, you are entitled to one-third of these funds, or \$848.07, and we have accordingly credited your account at this office with this amount.

Mr. Cox, however, requires a release from you in acknowledgment of these funds, and we are therefore enclosing a Release Form, which we would ask you to kindly sign in the presence of a witness and return to this office for forwarding to Mr. Cox.

Your early attention to this matter would be appreciated.

Yours truly,

W. J. Johnston  
Administration Department

WJ/ST  
Encl.

COPY

Estate of Bungoro Minamide, Deceased  
Statement of Receipts & Disbursements

RECEIPTS

The Custodian 2980.04

2980.04

DISBURSEMENTS

Official Administrator's Commission 161.68

Times Printing & Publishing Co. 9.60

Lethbridge Herald Co. 8.55

The Galt Hospital 50.55

Straith, Pringle & Ruttan 165.35

Custodian of Enemy Property 2984.31

2980.04

I hereby certify that I duly advertised for debts in compliance with the order of Mr. Justice Robertson in the Victoria Daily Times on the 10th day of March, 1945, and in the Lethbridge Herald on the 12th day of March, 1945; and I have paid all debts of the said estate.

The said estate should be distributed as follows:-

To Ushiye Minamide, Widow, one-third of estate - 861.44  
Etsuo Minamide, son, one-third of estate 861.44  
Fumiye Minamide, daughter, one-third of estate 861.43

- - - "R. L. Cox"  
Official Administrator for the  
County of Victoria and Admini-  
strator of Estate of Bungoro  
Minamide, Deceased

**STRAITH, PRINGLE & RUTTAN**  
Barristers, Solicitors,  
Notaries

308-311 Bank of Toronto Building,  
1405 Douglas Street,  
Victoria, B. C.

July 4th, 1946

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

Dear Sir: Re: Bungoro Minamide Estate

Mr. Cox has now completed the above estate and we send you herewith his cheque for \$2584.31. We send you also a copy of the Judge's Order and the statement of receipts and disbursements together with the two certificates endorsed thereon which you asked for in your last letter. We also enclose the passport of Mrs. Minamide and we have taken a notarial copy of the same for our files.

You will find enclosed also three forms of release to be signed by Mrs. Minamide and her two children and would ask you to have these signed when you make your distribution to these three parties, and then return the releases to us.

We think that this now closes the above estate.

Yours truly,

**STRAITH, PRINGLE & RUTTAN**

per: "W. T. S."

WTS/SE  
Encl.

File No. 512, 727, 726,  
724 (Income)

July 5, 1946

MEMORANDUM

TO THE ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

FROM: H. V. J. JENNINGS

Re: Estate of Deacon MINNIE, Deceased

We are attaching hereto Provincial Government cheques, amounting to \$2,242.11, which represent the balance of funds for the credit of the above estate.

In this connection, we would ask you to kindly credit these amounts as follows:

Widow (Mrs. Eugene) <u>MINNIE</u> (widow) (File No. 727 - Reg. No. 1433A)	1001.44
From <u>MINNIE</u> - Son (File No. 724 - Reg. No. 1437B)	62.44
From <u>MINNIE</u> - Daughter (File No. 726 - Reg. No. 1436)	62.43

We also attach, for your information, copy of the statement of receipts and disbursements hereto, forwarded to this office by Mr. Cox, Administrator of this Estate.

H. V. J. JENNINGS

HVJ  
Enc.

5111, 7327, 5744  
Evasion Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.  
June 19, 1946

Messrs. Streith, Pringle & Rutton,  
Barristers and Solicitors,  
1405 Douglas Street,  
Victoria, B. C.

Re: Estate of Susuro HIRASHIMA, Inc'd

Dear Sirs:

In a letter, dated July 7, 1944, the British Columbia Security Commission, now known as the Department of Labour, Japanese Division, advised us by letter that the above mentioned passed away at Lethbridge, Alberta, on May 25, 1944. A further letter, dated November 16, 1944, received from said Commission, stated that the deceased died on May 5, 1944.

In reviewing the file recently, the writer noticed the discrepancy in the above dates and communicated with the Department of Labour, Japanese Division, and the Galt Hospital, Lethbridge, Alberta, and have ascertained that his death actually took place on May 25, 1944, and not on May 5, 1944, as stated in our letter, dated February 9, 1945, to Mr. R. L. Cox, Official Administrator.

We note that the incorrect date is shown in Letters Probate and we are writing you in order that you may take the necessary steps to correct this error.

Yours very truly,

W. J. Johnston  
Administration Department

WJ/JF

5141, 7217, 9744  
Evacuee Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.  
June 12, 1946

Messrs. Straith, Pringle & Sutton,  
Barristers and Solicitors,  
1405 Douglas Street,  
Victoria, B. C.

Re: Estate of Bungoro WIRANIDE, Dec'd

Dear Sirs:

In acknowledging receipt of your letters of the 2nd ultimo and 5th instant, we wish to advise you that, in view of the fact that up to this time we have not been requested by Official Administrators to sign a release on behalf of beneficiaries of Japanese estates, this matter has been given particular consideration.

It has now been decided that it will not be in order for the Custodian to sign releases on behalf of Japanese beneficiaries, except where the beneficiaries are Evacuees, as such releases should come direct from the Evacuee heirs.

We do not know whether or not Mr. Cox has been forwarding a statement of his administration to Japanese beneficiaries of estates which he may have had in the past but, in any case, as a matter of record, the Custodian requires from Official Administrators a statement of receipts and disbursements, together with a certified statement that he had advertised for claims and that all debts are paid. This office should also be provided with a list of the heirs, showing the specific amounts allocated to each.

Having received this information, the Custodian will then be in a position to advise whether such amounts may be remitted direct to the beneficiaries or sent to this office for the credit of their respective accounts.

5141, 7227, 5744

Messrs. Straith, Pringle & Rutton

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June 12, 1946

If the money is sent direct, the Administrator will, of course, follow his usual practice regarding releases. If, however, the funds are sent to this office, we will endeavour to obtain the required releases through the Supervisors of the Department of Labour, Japanese Division. In the meantime, the funds will be ear-marked and an official receipt given to you. In the latter case, sufficient copies of the statement, with releases attached, for each beneficiary should be supplied for our convenience.

We notice that the statement of receipts and disbursements, forwarded to us with your letter of the 2nd ultimo, does not set out any of the necessary items above mentioned and we are, therefore, returning the releases and statement for your further attention. Upon receipt of a statement and particulars as outlined above, we will advise you at once whether the funds may be sent direct or to this office.

Yours very truly,

F. J. Johnston  
Administration Department

WJ/JY  
Encl.

STRAITH, PRINGLE & RUTTAN  
Barristers, Solicitors,  
Notaries, Etc.

308-311 Bank of Toronto Building  
1405 Douglas Street  
VICTORIA, B. C.

July 24th, 1945

Custodian's Office,  
509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir: Re: Bungoro NIHAMIDE Estate

We have been in conference with Mr. Cox, the Official Administrator, regarding the proposal to pay \$500.00 of the above estate to the son, Etuo.

We are just now preparing the Proof of Heirship in this estate and as soon as we have the necessary proof, Mr. Cox will be in a position to make the distribution of the estate. We take it that Mr. Cox may pay the \$500.00 to this son and that the balance of the estate should be returned to you to be held for the widow and the two children.

Yours truly,

STRAITH, PRINGLE, & RUTTAN

Per: "V. T. S."

WTS/EE



ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO  
DEPUTY MINISTER  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE



REFER TO FILE NO.

GOVERNMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

EDMONTON, ALBERTA

Yethbridge

Feb. 26/45.

This will be authority for the Custodians  
of Japanese Property to pay to the Gilt Hospital  
the sum of \$50<sup>55</sup> for attendance on  
Bungoro Minamide. This sum to be  
charged against my assets held by them

signed

Etsuo Minamide

# 14272

Witness

A. Wright

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*D. J. [unclear]*  
5141 & 7217  
Estate Section

509 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.,  
February 9th, 1945.

R. L. Cox, Esq.,  
Official Administrator,  
Victoria B.C.

Dear Sirs

Re: ~~BRUCE W. HANSEN, Deceased~~

The above named, who formerly resided at Hynes Island, died on May 9th, 1944, at Lethbridge, Alberta, and we are writing you to request that you undertake administration of his estate.

According to our records this man's family consists of the following:

Mrs. Uelva HANSEN, Wife, Lethbridge, Alberta.  
RITA HANSEN, Son, Age 21, Lethbridge, Alberta.  
Paula HANSEN, Daughter, Age 20, Lethbridge, Alberta.

We would bring to your attention the fact that Miss Paula HANSEN is age 20.

The deceased left a will written in Japanese, the original of which is in the hands of the Widow, and we enclose a copy, together with a translation obtained through the R.C.M.P.. We also enclose a statement from the Widow declaring that the will was made by the deceased and also a declaration by the widow and the Daughter Paula HANSEN, agreeing to the terms of the will.

The property mentioned in the will was sold prior to the owners death and assets of the estate of which we are aware consist of the sum of \$3233.65, to the credit of the deceased at this office. From this amount we have reimbursed the B. C. Security Commission to cover funeral expenses of \$195.00 and medical

3141 & 7217

A. L. Cox, Esq.,

expense of \$41.00, leaving a balance of \$2977.62 to the credit of the deceased at this office.

If you will undertake the administration of this estate, we will be pleased to remit to you the funds in our hands upon receipt of Letters of Administration issued in your favor.

Will you kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter advising us of your willingness to act in this matter.

Yours truly,

K. W. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

GW/O'S  
ENCL.

**MEMORANDUM**  
 TO: MR. R. S. WRIGHT  
 FROM: MR. C. H. PERRY  
 RE: MINAMINE, Masajiro, Deceased

Date of Death: May 5, 1944, at Lethbridge, Alberta.

				Lethbridge, Alberta
<u>Family</u>	Mrs. Ushio MINAMINE	Wife		
	Fumio	son	Age 21	
	Fuzie	daughter	20	

Will

There is a copy of a will in Japanese and a translation made by the R.C.S.F. This is not witnessed but also on file is a witnessed statement made by Mrs. Ushio MINAMINE to the effect that she was present and saw her husband write the will. The will leaves all his estate to his eldest son Fumio MINAMINE (our records do not show any other son) and there is a letter on file dated June 1, 1944, signed by Mrs. Ushio MINAMINE and also Fumio MINAMINE (she may be a minor) stating that they agree to the terms of the will. This statement is witnessed by Masayoshi MINAMINE and A. Wright.

Assets

Funds at credit with Custodian	\$2774.53
Joint account with Masajiro MINAMINE	259.45
amounting to \$2470.21 6/34 Proposed division. See remarks.	<u>\$2331.68</u>

These funds are derived from the sale of properties to the Director, V.L.A. Date of sale being January 1, 1944. Funds from the sale of chattels were remitted prior to death.

The deceased owned one of the real properties jointly with his brother Masajiro. Masajiro MINAMINE claims the  $\frac{1}{2}$  with all the improvements on it. This is confirmed by a notation on the deceased's J. F. form stating that he owned the unimproved  $\frac{1}{2}$ , however, no definite proportion of settlement was arrived at. The settlement above is arrived at as follows:

Assessed Values

Land	1200.00	12/34
Improvements	2200.00	23/34
Total	3400.00	34/34
$\frac{1}{4}$ of land assessment	600.00	6/34

Liabilities

B. C. Security Commission	\$195.00
Funeral Expense, Professional services (Doctors)	<u>41.00</u>
	\$236.00

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**E. S. WRIGHT**

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**G. H. PERRY**

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There seems to have been considerable unexplained delay in this matter as the bill was received by the Finance Section July 8, 1944.  
The Official Administrator's Office here takes no part in this matter and some under Mr. L. C. Cox, Official Administrator, Virginia, D.C.