

11980



EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd SEP 20 1943 FILE NO.

File No. 8720Ans. 8720

Referred

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: Jun. SakamotoHOME ADDRESS: 1417 E. Hastings St Vancouver, B.C.REGISTRATION NUMBER 07968 SEX: Male AGE: 50OCCUPATION: B. Fuel Business proprietor

(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: B. C. Wood & Coal Co. Partnership withMARRIED? K. Ashino - yes.NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Wife died

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND:

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Haruko SakamotoADDRESS OF CHILDREN: W. W. Scott Iron Springs, Ariz.AGE OF CHILDREN: 24

## 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) Mutual life  
Assurance Co.

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)



**STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED**

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: \_\_\_\_\_
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN \_\_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_\_

*Business money in Bank of Montreal  
East End Bank Corp. main & Hastings St.*

9. LIFE INSURANCE: \_\_\_\_\_

*National Life insurance policy \$500.00*

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: \_\_\_\_\_

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: \_\_\_\_\_

**LIABILITIES:**

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: \_\_\_\_\_

2. TRADE DEBTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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 13 day of Sept 1943

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

*S. S. S. S. S.**W. S. S. S.*  
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE



11980  
Sept 9/43  
June 3/45

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

Our File No. 11980

Full Name SAKUMOTO, Tatsu  
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 07968

Male - Female  
(check)

Age

Dec. 16, 1892

Former Address

1417 E. Hastings St., City

Date Evacuated

Mar. 21/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National  
(check)

Present Address

c/o 21-24. Scott,  
Lam. Springs, Alta

<sup>Widower</sup>  
Married - Single  
(check)

Name of Wife

Fukuko (Reid)

Name of Husband

Name of Mother

<sup>nee</sup>  
(JAMA) Ushi  
(Reid)

Name of Father

Seiko (Reid)

Names of Children under 16

(Reid)

Requested by

J. Spratt

Registered with Custodian

no?

(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Fuel Dealer. Owner  
of truck (apparently sold before evacuation)



# SUMMARY OF LIABILITIES

File No. 11088

Mr. Yara SAKIMOTO (Widower)

Reg. No. 97968

No liabilities were declared to the Custodian by the above Japanese person, but following are the claims which were lodged with the Custodian against Mr. Sakimoto:

1. \$54.00 - Vancouver General Hospital, re Miss Mary Sakimoto, 14 years PAID Mar. 3, 1943.
2. \$54.00 - Provincial Board of Health (T.B. Unit) PAID April 19, 1943.
3. \$ 3.38 - B. C. Electric Railway Company Ltd. PAID March 3, 1943.
4. \$109.00 - F.C. Gibbons & Co., Ltd., rent due re 1417 E. Hastings St., Vancouver. Mr. Yara Sakimoto disputed this amount, but acknowledged an indebtedness in the amount of \$78.00 (ltr. Feb. 8/44), which amount was accepted by F.C. Gibbons & Co. Ltd. as settlement in full (ltr. Feb. 5/44) PAID March 3, 1943.
5. \$180.35 - Christensen Bros., Lethbridge, Alta. PAID March 3, 1943.
6. \$161.65 - St. Michael's General Hospital PAID March 3, 1943  
St. Michael's General Hospital PAID August 5, 1944
7. 10.00 - Drs. Higelow, Fowler & Gordon PAID August 5, 1944
8. \$172.00 - Drs. Higelow & Fowler PAID April 19, 1943
9. \$428.50 - J. H. Gibbons PAID April 19, 1943
10. \$141.90 - Northern's Compensation Board - against B.C. Wood & Coal Company. This fuel business was operated jointly by the above Japanese and Kenneth OHINO. The sum of \$78.49 being balance of account with Bank of Montreal, Main & Hastings Street, Vancouver, was loaned by the above partners and applied on the above claim. (See Feb. 5/45). In accordance with Mr. Sakimoto's letter of Apr. 27/45 attached to B.C.W.C.C. letter of May 14/45, the balance of this account, namely \$50.21, was paid to the Northern's Compensation Board on May 22, 1945, from funds in Mr. Sakimoto's account. PAID May 22, 1945

No other claims were registered against the above Japanese person.

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

*[Signature]*

June 30, 1949



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May 22, 1945.

Mr. Tatsu SAKIMOTO,  
Reg. No. 07968,  
c/o W.W. Scott,  
Iron Springs, Alta.

Dear Sir:-

As requested in your letter of April 27th, we have today charged your account with the amount of \$50.21 which we have sent to the Workmen's Compensation Board. We have also sent them a further cheque for \$21.69 which was the amount received from the Bank of Montreal, being the balance of the account of the B.C. Wood & Coal Company and credited with us to your joint account with Kamazuke OSHIRO. This pays in full the Workmen's Compensation Board's claim of \$141.90.

Please note that we have also paid the Collector of Institutional Revenue on April 19th the sum of \$54.00 in full settlement of their claim against you.

As requested by you, enclosed find one us for \$127.69, being the balance of your account with the Custodian, for which we would ask you to kindly acknowledge receipt.

Yours truly,

GDM/OM.

Enc.1.

G.D. Milson,  
Administration Department.



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December 18th, 1944

Mr. M. L. Brown,  
B. C. Security Commission,  
360 Homer Street,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

re: Taru SAKUMOTO #07968

We have for acknowledgment your letter of the 11th instant regarding the above named, enclosing authority to pay the accounts of Drs. Bigelow & Fowler of \$172.00 and J.M. Gibbons of \$428.50. As you have enclosed a receipt for the Bigelow, Fowler Account, our understanding is that this amount of \$172.00 should be paid to your Commission. The Gibbons account does not seem to have been paid, therefore, we presume you wish us to pay this amount to him direct. Will you please confirm this. *Mistaken by B.C.S.C.*

We would like to take this opportunity of reviewing the position of the claims against the above named at this date. His credit balance with the Custodian is now \$832.40 and he has two claims lodged against him, as follows:-

1. Workmen's Compensation Board .....\$ 141.90  
(B.C. Wood & Coal Co.)
2. Provincial Board of Health ..... 54.00

Dealing first with the claim of the Provincial Board of Health. SAKUMOTO stated in one of his letters through you that he did not think he should pay this claim, as the Board of Health led him to believe that he did not require to pay. We took this matter up with the Collector for the Board and he advised us that payment was not insisted upon if the debtor was in very poor circumstances. However, they always reserve the right to ask the debtor to pay if his circumstances improve to any considerable extent. This was made quite clear in the letter sent to the Custodian by the Collector of Institutional Revenue, dated 22/2/44, copy of which was forwarded to you with ours of the 23/2/44. It might here be pertinent to again point out that the Provincial Collector's claim was lodged at least one year before SAKUMOTO received these funds. We asked the Collector if he would be prepared to reduce this claim but in this case he stated he did not wish to do so. However, if SAKUMOTO made a reasonable offer around \$40.00 to \$50.00, perhaps the Collector would accept.

With regard to the Workmen's Compensation Board claim against the B.C. Wood & Coal Co., which was a partnership. SAKUMOTO'S partner was Kamasuke USHIRO, and as far as this office is aware he has no funds or assets; therefore, it would appear that SAKUMOTO is liable.

P.T.O.



In a letter dated the 8th of February, 1944, from your Lehigh  
 Supervisor, Mr. A. E. Russell, copy of which you forwarded to us, Mr. Russell,  
 under the heading Claim No. 4, stated that the B. C. Wood & Coal Co. had a credit  
 of \$91.69 with the Bank of Montreal at Lehigh, and he was arranging to forward  
 this amount to the Custodian in part payment of the claim of the Workmen's Com-  
 pensation Board. This money has never been received here and we would very much  
 appreciate if you could find out from Mr. Russell whether he can now forward these  
 funds. If we receive these funds the balance owing to the Workmen's Compensation  
 Board would only amount to \$50.21. It looks as if SAKIMOTO is responsible for  
 this amount, and we think that he should now authorize us to settle this claim  
 on behalf of the Company from the funds at his credit in this office.

We would very much appreciate hearing from you at your earliest  
 convenience regarding this matter.

Yours truly,

A. HOLLISTER,  
 Claims Department.

RECEIVED



Lethbridge, Alberta.  
December 6, 1944.

Official Custodian,  
Royal Bank Building,  
Hastings & Granville,  
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir:

This will be your authority to pay account owing to Drs. Bigelow and Fowler, Lethbridge, Alberta, in the amount of \$172.00, from assets held to my credit by you.

Yours truly,

*T. Sakamoto*

Taro SAKUMOTO,  
Reg. No. 07968

Witness

*A. Wright*



Lothbridge, Alberta.  
December 6, 1944.

The Official Custodian,  
Royal Bank Building,  
Hastings & Granville,  
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir:

This will be your authority to pay Mr. J.M. Gibbons,  
General Merchant, Picture Butte, Alberta, the sum of \$128.50, from assets  
held to my credit by you.

Yours truly,

*T. Sakamoto*

Taro SAKAMOTO,  
Reg. No. 07968

Witness

*A. Wright*



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April 20th, 1944.

Mr. H.L. Brown,  
U.S. Security Commission,  
360 Homer Street,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

re: Tera SAKUMOTO, Reg. No. 07968 and  
Sorel SAKUMOTO, Reg. No. 07969 (Deceased)

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 19th inst. relative to the above.

The amount due under the Mutual Life Insurance policy has been received and credited to the account of Tera SAKUMOTO, File 11980.

You refer to your letter of the 5th November last, and by reference to that letter it is noted that we are to pay two accounts named therein; one of which is St. Michael's Hospital for \$161.65. We received written authority dated September 13th, 1943 signed by Tera SAKUMOTO to pay these two accounts. Accordingly, they have been paid. Please note our letter of the 7th ult. to Tera SAKUMOTO, of which we forwarded you a copy.

In your letter of the 19th inst. under reply you refer again to the St. Michael's Hospital, this time for the sum of \$115.40. This is to inquire if this amount and the one for \$161.65 have any connection. As to the account of Drs. Sigalow, Fowler & Gordon for \$10.00, this seems to be the first reference that we find of this account.

If these combined accounts, amounting to \$125.40, are in addition to those already paid it is suggested that you might let us have written authority from Tera SAKUMOTO to pay, as you did in a previous instance.

We shall be obliged if you will let us know relative to the foregoing.

Yours truly,

B. R. Dusenbury,  
Claims Department.

BRD:DM



File No. 11980.

March 3rd, 1944.

MEMORANDUM

To: File  
From: Mr. Densbury

Re: Claims - Taro SAKUMOTO, Reg. No. 07962

We have authority to pay the following sums, on account of claims lodged against SAKUMOTO. See letter February 8/44 from A.E. Russell, Lethbridge, B.C. Security Commission, on behalf of SAKUMOTO:

1. P.C. Gibbons & Co. Ltd. ....	\$72.00 ✓
2. Vancouver General Hospital a/c Miss Mary Sakumoto .....	34.00 ✓
3. B.C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd. ....	3.20 ✓
6. Christensen Bros. ....	180.35 ✓
7. St. Michael's General Hospital .....	161.65 ✓
Total -	<u>\$451.20</u>

Contingent Liabilities:

4. Workmen's Compensation Board a/c B.C. Wood and Coal Co. ....	\$141.90
5. Provincial Board of Health (T.B. Unit) a/c Miss Mary Sakumoto .....	54.00
Total -	<u>\$195.90</u>

NOTE:

That \$91.69 is expected from Mr. A.E. Russell, re B.C. Wood and Coal Co., in connection with Workmen's Compensation Board account.

That Provincial Board of Health (T.B. Unit) account for \$54.00 is disputed as to liability of SAKUMOTO to pay.

SUMMARY:

Total required

Requisitions .....	\$451.20 ✓
Contingent Liabilities .....	195.90
Total -	<u>\$647.10</u>
Funds to come, as above .....	<u>\$ 71.69</u>

BHD:EN

*Handwritten notes:*  
Note -  
B.C. Wood and Coal Co.  
\$125.40 claim  
19.4.44  
\$ 71.69  
Paid



11980  
2083

March 2, 1944.

The Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada,  
402 Pender Street, West,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Policy No. 525,377 - Seiyei SAKUMOTO

We wish to acknowledge with thanks your letter of  
February 23rd enclosing cheque for \$1,935.00 in settlement of  
the above policy less premium loan indebtedness. Our receipt  
for this amount is enclosed herewith.

Yours truly,

S.M. Gibson,  
Insurance Department

SMG:PM

Enc.



*The* **MUTUAL LIFE**

*Assurance Co. of Canada*

H. C. WEBBER, C. L. U.  
BRANCH MANAGER  
INTERIOR B. C. & YUKON TERRITORY

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Ans.	<i>SM</i>
Entered	<i>Libson</i>

402 PENDER STREET WEST,  
VANCOUVER, B. C.

February 23, 1944.

Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Your File 11980 - 2083  
Policy #525,377 - S. Sakumoto, deceased

We enclose herewith cheque for \$1,935.00  
in settlement of the above policy less premium loan  
indebtedness, in accordance with statement attached to  
cheque.

The cheque has been made payable to your  
department on account of the authorization completed by  
the beneficiary on September 13th. We trust that this  
will be satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

*W Marshall*  
ASS'T BRANCH SECRETARY.

WVM:JD  
Encl.

*File 11980/07968  
SAKUMOTO, Tatsu  
(beneficiary)*



# THE MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA

WATERLOO, ONTARIO

## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

POLICY NO. 525,377

ON THE LIFE OF Seiei Sakumoto, deceased

69 - B.C.

THE ENDORSEMENT OF  
CHEQUE ATTACHED TO THIS  
STATEMENT CONSTITUTES A  
RECEIPT FOR SETTLEMENT  
SPECIFIED HEREON.

### DEATH CLAIM:

Face Amount of Policy

\$ 2,000.00

Accrued Interest on net Proceeds

13.67

2,013.67

### DEDUCTION:

Policy Loan at 7/3/43

76.70

Interest to 10/8/43

1.97

78.67

BALANCE . .

1,935.00

DETACH STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT BEFORE DEPOSITING CHEQUE



*The* **MUTUAL LIFE**  
*Assurance Co. of Canada*

H. C. WEBBER, C. L. U.  
BRANCH MANAGER  
INTERIOR B. C. & YUKON TERRITORY

402 FENDER STREET WEST,  
VANCOUVER, B. C.

January 3, 1944.

The Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Your File 11980 - 2083  
Policy #525,377 - S. Sakumoto, deceased

We have received your letter of December 30,  
enclosing certificate of Discharge from the Succession Duty  
Department of British Columbia. This release was not  
required by us but as you have obtained it we are sending *returned here*  
it to our Head Office.

You will find from previous correspondence  
with the B. C. Security Commission that we do require a  
release from the Dominion Succession Duty Department. As  
soon as this latter document is received we will be pleased  
to make settlement to the beneficiary through your department  
as requested.

Yours very truly,

*W. Marshall*  
ASS'T BRANCH SECRETARY.

WVM:JD

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd JAN 4 1944

File No. 11980 + 2083

Ans. SM 3M

Referred Libbo



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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

## CERTIFICATE OF DISCHARGE

"SUCCESSION DUTY ACT" (BRITISH COLUMBIA).

(Sections 21, 32, 44)

In the Matter of the Estate of SEIYEI SAKUMOTO, Deceased.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the full amount of Succession Duty payable in respect of the property or beneficial interest in property of the above-named deceased herein set forth has been paid or secured and the property or interest is therefore discharged from any further claim to Succession Duty.

The property or interest comprised in this certificate is as follows:—

" The Mutual Life Assurance Co. of Canada, (payable to  
Taru Sakumoto, beneficiary, father of deceased)  
under policy No. 525377 (Vancouver Branch Office) \$2000.00"

148/ This certificate is given under the terms and subject to the conditions of section 21/10/32, 61/ of the "Succession Duty Act."

Dated at Victoria, this 10th day of December, 19 43  
BC

Authorized Representative of the Minister of Finance.

580-642-9077



Files 11960 & 2083

MEMORANDUM

December 17th, 1943.

TO: MR. S. M. GIBSON

FROM: MR. K. W. WRIGHT

Re: Seiyei SAKUMOTO - #07969 (Deceased)  
and Taru SAKUMOTO - #07968 (his father).

We attach Certificate of Discharge obtained by Messrs. Locke, Lane, Guild & Sheppard from the Succession Duty Dept. Please note the correspondence on file relative to the collection of this policy and the payment of creditors. We have paid the legal account rendered by Mr. Sheppard. When funds are received from the Insurance Company, all creditors should be paid in accord with authority received or to be obtained by you from the beneficiary.

KWW/W  
Attach.

  
K. W. WRIGHT

P. S. You should forward this Discharge to the

EVACUATION SECTION	
Insurance Company	1943
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Ans.	SMG
Referred	Gibson



2083 & 11980  
Evacuee Section

912 Royal Bank Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B. C.  
November 12th, 1943.

Messrs. Locke, Lane, Guild & Sheppard,  
Barristers & Solicitors,  
703 Rogers Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention: Mr. F. A. Sheppard.

Gentlemen:

Re: Seizei SAKUMOTO. #07969 - Deceased.

S. Sakumoto (File #2083) died in St. Michael's Hospital, Lethbridge, on August 10th, 1943. His father, Taru Sakumoto (File #11980) is the beneficiary under a Mutual Life Policy for \$2,000.00, and British Columbia Security Commission have requested us to collect. They have also forwarded a letter signed by Taru Sakumoto authorizing us to pay hospital expenses and funeral account.

We find on examining the file that the beneficiary has no assets in this area and claims against him have been filed in this office amounting to \$340.80. It would therefore appear desirable for us to obtain the funds from the Insurance Company in order to discharge the debts of both parties. Releases must be obtained from the Succession Duty Dept. and we would be obliged if you would proceed with the usual applications as soon as convenient. The beneficiary's address is Iron Springs, Alberta, from whom you will obtain such further information and declarations as may be required. 341.10

We attach hereto Files 2083 & 11980.

Yours truly,

K. E. WRIGHT  
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWW/W  
Encls.



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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

5th November, 1943.

Office of the Custodian,  
506 Royal Bank Building,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention: Mr. K. W. Wright

Dear Sir:

Re: Seivel SAKUMOTO, #07969 - Deceased

The above passed away in St. Michael's General Hospital, Lethbridge, on August 10th, 1943. He carried an insurance policy in the amount of \$2,000.00 with the Mutual Life Assurance Company, payable to Taru Sakumoto, No. 07968, father of the deceased.

Before the proceeds of this policy can be paid to Mr. Sakumoto a release has to be obtained from the Dominion Inspector of Succession Duties. We are attaching hereto letter showing the information which we understand is required by them in this connection, and would ask that you add to it any further particulars you may have with regard to the estate of the deceased, and forward same to the Inspector. We would suggest that you ask him to notify the Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada, Vancouver, direct, approving the release, with a copy to you and to ourselves.

We would point out that we have an order from the beneficiary authorizing the Mutual Life to pay the proceeds of this policy to you, and a letter authorizing you to pay the following accounts out of same:

Christensen Bros. Lethbridge -- \$ 180.35  
St. Michael's General Hospital - 161.65

The beneficiary has requested, through our Mr. A. E. Russell of Lethbridge, that the balance of the proceeds be sent to him. Mr. Russell recommends that the sum of \$500.00 be sent as soon as the proceeds are received, and that monthly remittances of \$100.00 be made thereafter.

We are attaching hereto the authorization mentioned above, together with the account from Christensen Bros. The account from St. Michael's General Hospital will be forwarded to you as soon as received.

Yours very truly,

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

"M. L. Brown"  
Office Manager

DMS:MF  
Encls.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

5th October, 1943

Re: Seivel SAKUMOTO, #07969 - Deceased

Last residence of deceased - Iron Springs, Alberta

Next of Kin - Taru Sakumoto, #07968 (father).

Address- Iron Springs, Alberta

Insurance Company - Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada.

Policy No. - 525377

Name of Beneficiary - Taru Sakumoto, #07968 (father).

Net Policy - \$2,000.00



COPY

Lethbridge, Alberta,  
September 13, 1943

The Official Custodian,  
Japanese Evacuation Section,  
Royal Bank Building,  
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir:

This will be your authority to pay the under-  
mentioned accounts from assets to my credit with you, or to  
be received by you:

- |   |           |
|---|-----------|
| (1) Christensen Bros., Lethbridge, Alberta, | \$ 180.35 |
| (2) St. Michael's General Hospital          | 161.65    |
- Paid*

Yours truly,

T. Sakumoto  
Taro Sakumoto,  
#07968.

*original on file*

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*142-44*



File Nos.: 14386  
14380

MEMORANDUM

Sept. 28th, 1943

To: FILES

From: Mr. Green

Re: SAKUMOTO, Seiku  
SAKUMOTO, Taro

Mr. Seiku Sakumoto did not register before evacuation and the first news we heard of his owning anything was the R. C. Security Commission's letter of April 9th enquiring about five hundred cords of wood left at the foot of Commercial Drive. In the same way, his brother, Mr. Taro Sakumoto, did not register before evacuation or give us any indication of the existence of this wood.

Investigations made by our fieldmen have brought to light only an abandoned wood yard and a small office at the North end of Commercial Drive.

Mr. Seiku Sakumoto further declared some effects left at 1417 East Hastings. These premises were rented from Messrs. P. C. Gibbons who inform us that the Japanese left nothing behind but "an awful mess" not to mention arrears of rent for \$108.00 for which a claim supported by an affidavit has been lodged.

It seems scarcely credible that so valuable an asset as five hundred cords of wood should not have been either declared or at least referred to us for investigation at least shortly after the owners' evacuation and not, as was the actual fact, over a year after the owner left the protected area. I therefore consider that this man can have no possible claim against the Custodian.

Finally, it should be noted that the other partner in the wood business, Mr. Kamasuke Oshiro (file 4707), declared no property of any description.

HFG:IF

*bc*  
*see Nelson memo 29-5-43*  
*one man asked recall memo*  
*Russell memo says so for Taro Sakumoto and Kamasuke Oshiro*



# Additional Claims Sheet

File No. 11960

January 31st, 1945

## CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

Taru SAKIMOTO - Reg. No. 07968

### CREDITORS:-

- |   |          |
|---|----------|
| 1. Workmen's Compensation Board<br>(B.C. Wood & Coal Co.) ..... | \$241.90 |
| 2. Provincial Board of Health.....                              | 54.00    |
| 3. Drs. Bigelow & Fowler.....                                   | 172.00   |
| 4. J. W. Gibbons .....  | 428.50   |

50.21 - Rec'd 91.69 7-2-45  
placed in joint of  
with #1707

716.45  
704.71

Cr. Bal. ....\$ 832.40 - Received from Mutual Life Assurance Co.

NOTE: \$91.69 belonging to the B. C. Wood & Coal Co. not yet received from Mr. Russell, see his letter Feb. 8, 1944. Received Feb 7 '45

AMEND



File No. 11980  
Reg. No. 07956

Taru SAKUMOTO

<u>Date</u>	<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1943 December 18	Services re affidavit <i>Thyot for a claim of</i> <del>Insurance</del> <i>before a witness</i>	\$ 26.00		
1944 February 25	Mutual Life Assurance Co. - settlement of Policy re S. SAKUMOTO, dec'd.		1,935.00	
March 4	P. C. Gibbons - settlement of account	72.00		
	Vancouver General Hospital - settlement of account	34.00		
	B. C. Electric Railway Co.	3.20		
	Christensen Bros.	180.35		
	St. Michael's General Hospital	161.65		
August 7	B. C. Security Commission - settlement of account	125.40		
	Personal use	500.00		
	Ok - Taru SAKUMOTO			

CR \$ 832.40



PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 11980

Mr. Taru SAKUMOTO

Reg. No. 07986

Bank Account: Declared in JP Form dated September 13, 1942 -

"Business Money in Bank of Montreal, East End Branch,  
Corner of Main & Hastings Street".

The balance of this account, namely \$91.69, was remitted by the Bank of Montreal to this office on February 5, 1945, cheque being issued by the above Japanese person and Kamasuke OSHIRO, partners in B.C.Wood & Coal Company. The above amount was applied on a debt owing by this partnership to the Workmen's Compensation Board. (See Item 10 on Summary of Liabilities).

Life Insurance:

Declared in JP Form of September 13, 1942:

"Mutual Life Insurance Policy \$500.00".

As this policy did not come into possession of the Custodian, no action was taken in connection therewith.

NOTE: Taru SAKUMOTO was beneficiary under Mutual Policy 525,377, covering the life of his son and upon whose death he (Taru) received the amount of \$1935.00. This was credited to an account in his name with the Custodian. After paying all claims authorized by Mr.Sakumoto, balance was remitted to him.

REMARKS:

A memo on file dated May 29, 1943, signed by Mr. Milson, advises that Taru SAKUMOTO operated a one-man wood business but before his evacuation he closed up his business and sold a small truck which he owned. The memo further states that P.C.Gibbens & Co. advised that this man never had any money and from their experience with him it seemed impossible to collect any debts from him. This memo, however, would appear to be incorrect as A.E.Russell, Lethbridge representative, advised on July 13, 1943 that Mr. Taru Sakumoto and Kamasuke Oshire were 50-50 partners of B. C. Wood & Coal Co.

Mr. Green's memo of September 28, 1943, reveals that on investigation all that was found was an abandoned wood yard and a small office at the north end of Commercial Drive.

There is nothing on file to indicate that there was any Real Property interest in this property by the Japanese.

NO OTHER PROPERTY OF ANY KIND WHATSOEVER BELONGING TO THE ABOVE JAPANESE IS REVEALED ON THIS FILE.

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

*E. Sakumoto*

June 30, 1949.