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Act of June 24, 1935
World War Veterans

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APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ARRIVAL

and

PRELIMINARY FORM FOR PETITION FOR CITIZENSHIP

No. 50957

Selected July 22, 1918
Inspected Dec 16, 1918

Has resided in U.S. since July 4, 1913
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

For use in searching records of arrival:
RECORDS EXAMINED

No 1/9
No 1/2

RECORD FOUND

270

Card index
Index books
Manifests

Place
Name
Date
Manner

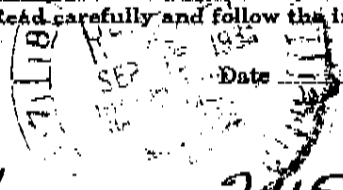
Use Form 160-Imm. in issuing certificate of arrival on this application.

(Signature of person making search)

TO THE APPLICANT: Do not write above this line. Read carefully and follow the instructions on last page hereof.

Take or mail this to—

IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Federal Building, Christopher Street,
641 Washington Street,
New York, N. Y.



Date _____, 193

I, Dr Bhagat Singh Thind residing at 245 west 72nd street
new york city (City or town) _____, (State) _____, desire to file petition for citizenship in the _____ Court at _____, in accordance with

the naturalization law. I submit herewith a statement of facts to be used in filing such petition, two photographs of me, each of which I have signed, and my declaration of intention (first paper), if one is required.

See instructions on page 4 hereof, paragraph entitled "Money Order." If you are not exempted therefrom you must secure a money order in payment for a certificate of arrival and fill in the blank below:
I hereby apply for a certificate of arrival for my lawful entry into the United States for my permanent residence, and inclose money order No. _____ in the sum of \$2.50 made payable to the order of the "Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, Washington, D.C.," in payment for the certificate of my arrival.

I arrived in the United States at July 4 Seattle, Washington
under the name of Bhagat Singh (City or town) _____, OR July 4th (Month) _____ (Day) _____ (Year) _____
on the vessel S.S. Minnesota Great Northern Line (If otherwise than by vessel, show manner of arrival)

Additional facts to aid in locating a record of my arrival:

- I have _____ used another name in this country than that given above. (If so) It was _____
I used that name because _____
- The full name of the person shown on my steamship ticket was Bhagat Singh
- I was born in Amritsar, India (City or town) _____, on Oct 3 (Month) _____ (Day) _____ (Year) _____
- My father's full name is/was Boota Singh Thind
- My mother's maiden name was Jawala Devi
- (If a married woman) My maiden name was _____
- My last foreign residence was Philippine Islands (City or town) _____
- The place where I took the ship or train which landed me in the United States was Manila P. I (City or town) _____ (Country) _____
- The ticket on which I came to this country was bought at Manila P. I (City or town) _____ (Country) _____
- (If arrival by ship) Name of steamship line was Great Northern Line
first, second, or third cabin third cabin I arrived as a passenger, stowaway, seaman, member of crew, or otherwise _____
- I traveled on (an immigration visa, a passport, or permit to reenter) British Passport (State which) _____
- My original Immigrant Identification Card No. I can't remember is hereto attached. (State which) _____ If not herewith, it is because _____
- I paid \$ _____ head tax at _____ (City or town) _____ can't remember on _____ (Month) _____ (Day) _____ (Year) _____
- I was _____ examined by United States immigration officers at Seattle Wash (City or town) _____ (State or country) _____
- (If not examined, state why, and give the circumstances of your entry) _____
- The person in the United States to whom I was coming was _____
- The place in the United States to which I was going was _____
- The names of some of the passengers or other persons I traveled with are There were quite a few of citizens from India on the boat (203)

* Photographs prepared by D. H. T. on 7-16-35

I have set forth below my answer to the following questions asked of me:

19. Have you been absent from the United States since the date of your arrival as stated on page 1 of this form? **no**
If so, state month and year you left _____; month and year you returned _____
To what country did you go? _____ For what reason? **9/29/35 Mex.**
Is this the only time you have been out of the United States? _____
If not, give full particulars as to other absences _____

20. In what places in the United States have you resided?
Astoria Oregon From **1914** to **1918**
Portland Oregon From **1918** to **July 1937**
Everett Washington From **1935** to **present**
Ever since I have been lecturing all over the country, and now permanently settled here for over a year.

21. What were the names and addresses of your employers during the five years immediately prior to the date of this statement?
Charles Kingsley, West Oregon Lumber Co., Sunnyside, Ore.

22. Do you understand the principles of government of the United States? **Thoroughly well**
23. Do you fully believe in the form of government of the United States? **most whole-heartedly**
24. Are you ready to answer questions as to the principles and form of government of the United States? **most surely**
What have you done to prepare yourself for an examination on the government of the United States? **I am at Thoro Student and Scholar of Political Science**

25. Have you read the following oath of allegiance? **yes**
I hereby declare, on oath, that I absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to **British India**, of whom (which) I have heretofore been a subject (or citizen); that I will support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion: So **HELP ME GOD**.

Are you willing to take this oath in becoming a citizen? **It will be my great privilege**
26. If necessary, are you willing to take up arms in defense of this country? **anytime anywhere**
Did you claim exemption from the draft during the World War because you were an alien? **I voluntarily offered service**
Did you surrender your declaration (first paper) at that time? **no**

27. If not now married, have you ever been married? **yes** Are you divorced? **yes**
Are you a believer in the practice of polygamy? **most certainly not**
28. Are you a believer in anarchy? **Absolutely NO** Do you belong to or are you associated with any organization which teaches or advocates anarchy or the overthrow of existing government in this country? **not at all**

29. Have you ever been an inmate of an insane asylum? **no**
30. Have you ever been dependent upon public charity? **never**
31. Have you ever been arrested or charged with violation of any law of the United States or State or any city ordinance or traffic regulation? **never** If so, give full particulars _____

32. (a) In what place in the United States did you meet for the first time your first witness named on the opposite page? **New York City**
How often have you seen this witness each month since the date you first met him (her)? **hundreds of times**
At what places? **In New York City and also in Chicago quite often**

(b) In what place in the United States did you meet for the first time your second witness named on the opposite page? **Chicago Ill.**
How often have you seen this witness each month since the date you first met him (her)? **I have known him for few years, meeting him many times regularly**
At what places? _____

I certify that all the statements made by me in this application and form are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dr. Bhagat Singh Thind
245 West 72nd Street
N.Y.C.

STATEMENT OF FACTS TO BE USED IN FILING MY PETITION FOR CITIZENSHIP

My name is ^{Dr} Mr. Bhagat Singh Thind

- 1. My present residence is 245 West 72nd St New York City N.Y.
2. My occupation is Teaching Sanskrit Religion and metaphysics
3. I was born in Amritsar India on Oct 3 1892 My race is Indo-Aryan
4. I declared my intention to become a citizen (first paper) on Act of June 4 1916
5. I am divorced married. The name of my wife or husband is Lila Thind
6. We were married on Oct 22 1922 at Springfield Mass
7. She or he was born at Amherst Mass 1891
8. I arrived in the United States at New York City on Oct 15 1918 for permanent residence, and now resides at New York City N.Y.
9. My certificate No. 1935 issued.

I have no children, whose names, dates and places of birth, and places of residence are as follows:
I enlisted in US Army July 22 1918 under serial number 3144525 and was honorably discharged Dec 16 1918 as a private.
I served for in Denver Colorado 1924 - July 7 1927 in District Court City and County of Denver.
I have resided permanently in the U.S. since August 16 1918 the date of my marriage.

- 5. My last foreign residence was Manila
6. The place where I took the ship or train which landed me in the United States was Manila P.I.
7. The foreign country of which I am now a subject or citizen is British India
8. I can fluently speak English.
9. I have resided continuously in the United States since July 4 1913
10. I have resided continuously in the county where I now live since Jan 15 1935
11. I have previously made petition for citizenship (second paper). If so, it was granted made in the Federal Court Court at Portland Ore 1919 and was not granted because then taken away according to a decision given by the Supreme Court of the U.S. Please read Thind vs U.S. Nationalist.

(If you wish to have your name changed, give full name you desire. Bhagat Singh Thind)
(Give names, occupations, and addresses of two citizens you expect to bring with you as witnesses when you appear for examination to file your petition. These witnesses must have personal knowledge of your residence in the county at least, and of your character and other qualifications. A foreign-born witness must bring proof of his citizenship.)
(1st) Dr William Wolf Doctor M.D. residing at 57th West 54th St Medical Bldg NYC
I first met this witness on Aug 1927
(2nd) Leo S. Herdack Executive of a firm residing at 65 West Terrace Mount Vernon N.Y.
I first met this witness on July 1928

I certify that the above statement of facts has been read by me and that the statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

NOTE.—Have you inclosed (if required)—
DECLARATION OF INTENTION.
IMMIGRANT IDENTIFICATION CARD.
TWO PHOTOGRAPHS OF YOURSELF.
MONEY ORDER FOR \$2.50.
US-19-1-30-1937
NYC Jan 15 1937
Dr Bhagat Singh Thind
245 West 72nd St
N.Y.C.