

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

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 The Republic of Poland and (or) The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

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. In acknowledgment whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature.

X John Menkowski (Signature of petitioner)

Sworn to in open court, this 24th day of May A. D. 1937

William Strnad, Deputy Clerk

NOTE.—In renunciation of title of nobility, add the following to the oath of allegiance before it is signed: "I further renounce the title of (give title or titles) an order of nobility, which I have heretofore held."

Petition granted: Line No. 2561 of List No. 5713 and Certificate No. 4211380 issued.

Petition denied: List No.

Petition continued from to Reason 14-2618

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TRIPPLICATE  
(To be given to  
declarant)

No. 343476

# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

## DECLARATION OF INTENTION

(Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof)

STATE OF NEW YORK

DISTRICT

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In the UNITED STATES Court  
of NEW YORK, N. Y.  
at

I, John Menkowski  
 now residing at 323 East 34 Street, New York, New York, New York  
 occupation car washer, aged 45 years, do declare on oath that my personal description is:  
 Sex male, color white, complexion dark, color of eyes brown  
 color of hair black, height 5 feet 5 inches; weight 146 pounds; visible distinctive marks  
scar under right eye  
 race Polish; nationality Polish  
 I was born in Wansoz Lomza Poland, on April 18 1888  
 I am not married. The name of my wife or husband is \_\_\_\_\_  
 we were married on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_; she or he was  
 born at \_\_\_\_\_, entered the United States  
 at \_\_\_\_\_, for permanent residence therein, and now  
 resides at \_\_\_\_\_ I have no children, and the name, date and place of birth,  
 and place of residence of each of said children are as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

I have not heretofore made a declaration of intention: Number \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_  
 at \_\_\_\_\_  
 my last foreign residence was Wansoz Lomza Poland  
 I emigrated to the United States of America from Rotterdam Holland  
 my lawful entry for permanent residence in the United States was at New York, NY  
 under the name of Menkowski, Jan, on June 11, 1907  
 on the vessel s/s Ryndam  
(If other than by vessel, state manner of arrival)

I will, before being admitted to citizenship, renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly, by name, to the prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty of which I may be at the time of admission a citizen or subject; I am not an anarchist; I am not a polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith to become a citizen of the United States of America and to reside permanently therein; and I certify that the photograph affixed to the duplicate and triplicate hereof is a likeness of me: So HELP ME GOD.



*John Menkowski*  
(Original signature of declarant without abbreviation, also alias, if used)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of said Court,  
 at New York, NY this 18 day of May  
 anno Domini 1933 Certification No. 2-271780 from the Commission  
 of Naturalization showing the lawful entry of the declarant for permanent  
 residence on the date stated above, has been received by me. The photograph  
 affixed to the duplicate and triplicate hereof is a likeness of the declarant.

Charles Weiser

U S District

[SEAL]

Clerk of the

Court.

By

Deputy Clerk.

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STATE OF NEW YORK

DISTRICT

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In the UNITED STATES NEW YORK, N. Y. Court  
of at

I, **John Menkowski**,  
 now residing at **323 East 34 Street**,  
 occupation **car washer**, aged **45** years, do declare on oath that my personal description is:  
 Sex **male**, color **white**, complexion **dark**, color of eyes **brown**,  
 color of hair **black**, height **5** feet **5** inches; weight **146** pounds; visible distinctive marks  
**scar under right eye**  
 race **Polish**; nationality **Polish**  
 I was born in **Wansoz Lomza Poland**, on **April 18 1888**  
 I am **not** married. The name of my wife or husband is \_\_\_\_\_  
 we were married on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_; she or he was  
 born at \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_, entered the United States  
 at \_\_\_\_\_, for permanent residence therein, and now  
 resides at \_\_\_\_\_ I have **no** children, and the name, date and place of birth,  
 and place of residence of each of said children are as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

I have **not** heretofore made a declaration of intention: Number \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_

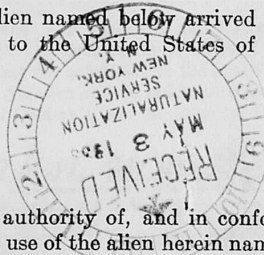
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
BUREAU OF NATURALIZATION

No. 2 271780

## CERTIFICATE OF ARRIVAL

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the Immigration records show that the alien named below arrived at the port, on the date, and in the manner shown, and was lawfully admitted to the United States of America for permanent residence.

Port of entry: **New York, NY**  
 Name: **Menkowski, John**  
 Date: **June 11, 1907**  
 Manner of arrival: **SS Ryndam**



I FURTHER CERTIFY that this certificate of arrival is issued under authority of, and in conformity with, the provisions of the Act of June 29, 1906, as amended, solely for the use of the alien herein named and only for naturalization purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Certificate of Arrival is issued

May 1, 1933

BY DIRECTION OF THE SECRETARY OF LABOR.

*Raymond F. Crist*  
Commissioner of Naturalization.



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(To be retained by  
clerk)

# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

287906

## PETITION FOR NATURALIZATION

No.

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To the Honorable the U.S. District Court of Southern District at New York, N.Y.

The petition of John Menkowski, hereby filed, respectfully shows:

(1) My place of residence is 323 East 24th St. New York NY (2) My occupation is Garage Man

(3) I was born in Lomza Poland on April 18, 1888 My race is Polish

(4) I declared my intention to become a citizen of the United States on May 18, 1933 in the U.S. District

Court of Southern District at New York NY

(5) I am not married. The name of my wife or husband is \_\_\_\_\_

we were married on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_; he was

born at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_; entered the United States

at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ for permanent residence therein, and now

resides at \_\_\_\_\_ I have NO children, and the name, date,

and place of birth, and place of residence of each of said children are as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

(6) My last foreign residence was Wansoz Lomza Poland I emigrated to the United States of

America from Rotterdam Holland My lawful entry for permanent residence in the United States

was at New York NY under the name of Jan Menkowski

on June 11, 1907, on the vessel Ryndam

as shown by the certificate of my arrival attached hereto.

(7) I am not a disbeliever in or opposed to organized government or a member of or affiliated with any organization or body of persons teaching disbelief in or opposed to organized government. I am not a polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy. I am attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the United States. It is my intention to become a citizen of the United States and to renounce absolutely and forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to \_\_\_\_\_

The Republic of Poland and (or) The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

of whom (which) at this time I am a subject (or citizen), and it is my intention to reside permanently in the United States. (8) I am able to speak the English language.

(9) I have resided continuously in the United States of America for the term of five years at least immediately preceding the date of this petition, to wit, since

June 11, 1907 and in the County of New York

this State, continuously next preceding the date of this petition, since June 11, 1907, being a residence within said county of at least six months next preceding the date of this petition.

(10) I have not heretofore made petition for Naturalization: Number \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ and such petition was denied by that Court for the following reasons and causes, to wit:

\_\_\_\_\_ and the cause of such denial has since been cured or removed.

Attached hereto and made a part of this, my petition for citizenship, are my declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States, certificate from the Department of Labor of my said arrival, and the affidavits of the two verifying witnesses required by law.

Wherefore, I, your petitioner, pray that I may be admitted a citizen of the United States of America, and that my name be changed to \_\_\_\_\_

I, your aforesaid petitioner being duly sworn, depose and say that I have <sup>read</sup> <sub>heard read</sub> this petition and know the contents thereof; that the same is true of my own knowledge except as to matters herein stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and that as to those matters I believe it to be true; and that this petition is signed by me with my full, true name.

John Menkowski  
(Complete and true signature of petitioner)

### AFFIDAVITS OF WITNESSES

Wladyslaw Basta, occupation Butcher

residing at 401 West 40th St. New York NY, and

Ben Fegel, occupation Storekeeper

residing at 414 West 40th St. New York NY

each being severally, duly, and respectively sworn, deposes and says that he is a citizen of the United States of America; that he has personally known and has been acquainted in the United States with

John Menkowski, the petitioner above mentioned, since January 1, 1932

and that to his personal knowledge the petitioner has resided in the United States continuously preceding the date of filing this affidavit is a

part, to wit, since the date last mentioned, and at New York, in the County of New York

this State, in which the above-entitled petition is made, continuously since January 1, 1932 and that he has personal knowledge that the petitioner is and during all such periods has been a person of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the United States, and that in his opinion the petitioner is in every way qualified to be admitted a citizen of the United States.

Wladyslaw Basta  
(Signature of witness)

Ben Fegel  
(Signature of witness)

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the above-named petitioner and witnesses in the office of the Clerk of said Court at New York NY

this 4th day of February, Anno Domini 1937 I hereby certify that certificate of arrival No. 2-271780

from the Department of Labor, showing the lawful entry for permanent residence of the petitioner above named, together with declaration of intention No. 343476 of such petitioner, has been by me filed with, attached to, and made a part of this petition on this date

By [Signature] (SEAL)  
Deputy Clerk.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE  
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