

# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Department of Commerce and Labor  
BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION  
DIVISION OF NATURALIZATION

## PETITION FOR NATURALIZATION

In the matter of the petition of Atlantic Co. Court of Common Pleas N.J.  
Gustav Adolf Ruess to be admitted a citizen of the United States of America.

To the Common Pleas Court of Atlantic Co.

The petition of Gustav Adolf Ruess, respectfully shows:

First. My full name is Gustav Adolf Ruess

Second. My place of residence is number 215 E. Cincinnati Ave city Egg Harbor City  
State New Jersey

Third. My occupation is carpenter

Fourth. I was born on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, anno Domini 1861, at Alms, Germany

Fifth. I emigrated to the United States from Hamburg, Germany on or about the 4<sup>th</sup> day of July  
anno Domini 1888, and arrived at the port of New York City, N.Y. in the United States, on the vessel Wieland

Sixth. I declared my intention to become a citizen of the United States on the 26 day of Sept., anno Domini 1890  
at Philadelphia Pa. in the Common Pleas Court of Philadelphia Co.

Seventh. I am married. My wife's name is Louisa Ruess. She was born Heilbronn, Germany, and now resides at Egg Harbor City, N.J. I have five children.

and the name, date and place of birth, and place of residence of each of said children is as follows: Matilda, born Dec. 17, 1893 at Philadelphia Pa. resides at Egg Harbor City, N.J.

Alfred, born Feb. 2, 1895 at Philadelphia Pa. resides at Egg Harbor City, N.J.

Yvonne, born Mar. 9, 1896 at Atlantic City, N.J.

Louisa, born Aug. 19, 1901 at Atlantic City, N.J.

Paul, born July 19, 1902 at Atlantic City, N.J.

Eighth. 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 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 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 William II, Emperor of Germany of which at this time I am a subject, and it is my intention to reside permanently in the United States.

Ninth. I am able to speak the English language

Tenth. I have resided continuously in the United States of America for a term of five years at least immediately preceding the date of this petition, to wit, since the 15 day of July, anno Domini 1888, and in the territory of New Jersey for one year at least next preceding the date of this petition, to wit, since the 15 day of Sept., anno Domini 1894.

Eleventh. I have not heretofore made petition for citizenship to any court. (I made petition for citizenship to the Common Pleas Court of Philadelphia Co. and the petition was denied by the said 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 petition is my declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States and the certificate from the Department of Commerce and Labor required by law. Wherefore your petition prays that he may be admitted a citizen of the United States of America.

Dated Sept. 28, 1906 Gustav Adolf Ruess  
(Signature of petitioner.)

State of New Jersey ss:  
Atlantic Co.  
Gustav Adolf Ruess, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the petitioner in the above-entitled proceeding; that he has read the foregoing petition and knows the contents thereof; that the same is true of his own knowledge, except as to matters therein stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and that as to those matters he believes it to be true.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28<sup>th</sup> day of Sept., anno Domini 1906

[SEAL.] By Edward J. Lee, Clerk,  
Albert C. Abbott, Deputy Clerk.

\* If the alien arrive otherwise than by vessel, the character of conveyance or name of transportation company should be given.

Declaration of Intention and Certificate of Landing from Department of Commerce and Labor filed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of Sept., 1906

By Edward J. Lee, Clerk,  
Albert C. Abbott, Deputy Clerk.

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

In the matter of the petition of Atlantic Co. Court of Common Pleas N.J.  
Gustav Adolf Ruess to be admitted a citizen of the United States of America.

State of New Jersey ss:  
Atlantic Co.

Wm. Morgenweck, occupation City Clerk, residing at Egg Harbor City, N.J.

Fred Winkler, occupation Store Keeper, residing at " "

Each being separately, duly, and respectively sworn, deposes and says that he is a citizen of the United States of America; that he has personally known Gustav Adolf Ruess, the petitioner above mentioned, to be a resident of the United States for a period of at least five years continuously immediately preceding the date of filing his petition; and of the territory in which the above-entitled application is made for a period of five years immediately preceding the date of filing his petition; and that he has personal knowledge that the said petitioner is a person of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and that he is in every way qualified, in his opinion, to be admitted a citizen of the United States.

Wm. Morgenweck,  
Fred Winkler

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28<sup>th</sup> day of Sept., anno Domini 1906

[SEAL.] By Edward J. Lee, Clerk,  
Albert C. Abbott, Deputy Clerk.

11-2927 [OVER.]  
David in full

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF

Gustav Adolph Ruess  
TO BE ADMITTED A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Filed Mar. 18, 1907.

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 William II the Emperor of Germany, an order of nobility, which of which I have heretofore been a citizen subject (and that I further renounce the title of subject); that I will support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same.

Gustav Adolph Ruess

[SEAL.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, in open Court, this 18 day of Mar, A. D. 1907.

Wm. A. Abbott, Deputy, Clerk.

ORDER OF COURT ADMITTING PETITIONER

Upon consideration of the petition of Gustav Adolph Ruess, and affidavits in support thereof, and further testimony taken in open Court, it is ordered that the said petitioner, who has taken the oath required by law, be, and hereby is, admitted to become a citizen of the United States of America, this 18 day of Mar, A. D. 1907.

~~(It is further ordered, upon consideration of the petition of the said~~ that his name be, and ~~hereby is, changed to~~ under authority of the provisions of section 6 of an act entitled "An Act to ~~establish a Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization, and to provide for a uniform rule for the naturalization of aliens throughout the~~ United States," approved June 29, 1906.)

By the Court:

W. A. Abbott

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Serial 100075  
Name Gustav Adolph Ruess  
Age 47 years  
Declaration of intention, issued by clerk of Los Angeles court of California  
County Los Angeles  
Date 26 days of Sept. 1906  
Petition filed on the 28 day of Sept.  
A. D. 1908, vol. 1, page 103  
Name, age and place of residence of wife: Louise  
Age 44  
Egg Harbor City N. J.  
Name, age and place of residence of minor children: Clara, 14 yrs. Yuba, 13 yrs. Lawrence, 7 yrs. Charles Jr., 6 yrs. All reside at Egg Harbor City N. J.  
Date of order: Mar 18, 1907  
Vol. 1, page 103  
Gustav Adolph Ruess  
(Signature of petitioner)

# United States of America.



STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA,  
City and County of Philadelphia, ss.

**Be it Remembered,** That before the Prothonotary of the Courts of Common Pleas for the County of Philadelphia, on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety —, personally appeared *Gustav Adolf Rief* who upon his solemn oath did depose and say, that he is a Native of GERMANY, now residing in the City of Philadelphia, aged 29 years, or thereabouts, and that it is BONA FIDE his intention to become a Citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any Foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the EMPEROR OF GERMANY, of whom he is now a subject.

**In Witness Whereof,** I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Courts, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety 1890.

*Henry*

Pro Prothonotary.

each being sworn  
Adolf R.  
date of filing  
the date of filing  
United States