

Application for a Certificate of Arrival and Preliminary Form for Petition for Naturalization

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TO THE APPLICANT: DO NOT WRITE ABOVE THIS LINE. READ CAREFULLY AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS ON LAST PAGE HEREOF.
Take or mail this application and your money order to:
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE,

Date _____, 19____

New York, N. Y. 70 Columbus Ave

I, Paolo La Torraca, residing at 27 Webster St
Newark New Jersey, desire to file a petition for naturalization in the
(City or town) (State)
Court at Newark New Jersey I submit herewith a state-
(Name of court) (City or town) (State)
ment of facts to be used in filing such petition, three photographs of myself, each of which I have signed, and my declaration of intention (first paper), if one is required.

I hereby apply for a Certificate of Arrival (if required) showing my lawful entry into the United States for permanent residence and enclose money order No. _____ for \$2.50, payable to the order of the "Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, Washington, D. C.," in payment thereof. (See reference to "Money Order," page 4.)

(1) I arrived in the United States through the port of Pier 29 Brooklyn New York
under the name of Paolo La Torraca, on May 12 1903
on the vessel Calabria anchor line
(If arrival was through Canada Mexico) I arrived at the port of New York - New York
(If otherwise than by vessel, show manner of arrival) (Canada Mexico)
on _____ (Month) (Day) (Year) on the vessel _____

(2) I have not been absent from the United States as follows:
(Dates of departure and return, ports of entry, and names of vessels or other means)

I have not been absent at any other time.

(3) I have not used another name in this country than that given above. (If so) It was _____
I used that name because _____

(4) The full name of the person shown on my steamship ticket was _____
(5) I was born in Choli Italy on December 9 1870
(City or town) (Country) (Month) (Day) (Year)

(6) My father's full name is/was Gastone La Torraca
(City or town) (Country)

(7) My mother's maiden name was _____

(8) (If a married woman) My maiden name was _____

(9) My last foreign residence was Choli Italy
(City or town) (Country)

(10) The place where I took the ship or train which landed me in the United States was naples Italy
(City or town) (Country)

(11) The ticket on which I came to this country was bought at naples Italy
(City or town) (Country)

(12) (If arrival by ship) Name of steamship line was Calabria
(State which) I arrived as a passenger, stowaway, seaman, member of crew, or otherwise _____

(13) I traveled on (an immigration visa, a passport, or permit to reenter) _____
(State which, giving particulars)

(14) I paid \$ 2.6 head tax at _____
(City or town) (State or country) on _____ (Month) (Day) (Year)

(15) I was _____ examined by United States immigration officers at _____
(City or town) (State or country)

(16) (If not examined, state why, and give the circumstances of your entry) I was asked where I was going I said Newark N.J.
(State or country)

(17) The person in the United States to whom I was coming was my sister Victoria Aurora
(City or town) (State or country)

(18) The place in the United States to which I was going was Newark N.J.
(City or town) (State or country)

(19) The names of some of the passengers or other persons I traveled with and their relationship to me, if any, are none
(City or town) (State or country)

(20) In what places in the United States have you resided?

newark n. j. (City or town) From oct 1903 (Month) (Year) to sept 1905 (Month) (Year)
 newark (City or town) new jersey (State) From may 1905 (Month) (Year) to august 1922 (Month) (Year)
 newark (City or town) new jersey (State) From july 1922 (Month) (Year) to (Month) (Year)

(21) What were the names, occupations, and addresses of your employers during the last 5 years?

none (Employer's name) none (Occupation) (Number and street) (City) (State) (Dates of employment)
 none (Employer's name) none (Occupation) (Number and street) (City) (State) (Dates of employment)

(22) Do you understand the principles of government of the United States?

(23) Do you fully believe in the form of government of the United States?

(24) Are you ready to answer questions as to the principles and form of government of the United States? What have you done to prepare yourself for an examination on the government of the United States? I do understand all the questions of becoming citizen of the United States. I can't answer in English.

(25) Have you read the following 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 of whom or 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? yes

Of what country are you now a citizen or subject?

(26) If necessary, are you willing to take up arms in defense of this country?

Have you ever, during the time this country was at war, deserted the military or naval forces of the United States, or departed from the jurisdiction of the enrollment district or the United States to avoid draft into the military or naval forces of the United States?

(27) If not now married, have you ever been married? Are you divorced?

(28) Are you a believer in anarchy or the unlawful damage, injury, or destruction of property, or sabotage? 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? no

(29) Have you ever been an inmate of an insane asylum? no

(30) 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? no

If so, give full particulars

(31) (a) In what place in the United States did you meet for the first time your first witness named on the opposite page? newark n. j. (City or town) new jersey (State)

How often have you seen this witness each month since the date you first met him (her)? 5 times each month

At what places?

(b) In what place in the United States did you meet for the first time your second witness named on the opposite page?

newark (City or town) new jersey (State)
 How often have you seen this witness each month since the date you first met him (her)? every day of the month

At what places? In my house - 27. 2nd St. - newark n. j.

(32) Have you ever been deported from the United States, or are deportation proceedings now pending against you? no

If so, state all facts

(33) Was your father or mother ever a citizen of the United States? no If so, give full particulars

(34) Did you register under the Alien Registration Act of 1940? yes

If so, state the number of your Alien Registration Receipt Card 1108555

(35) Did you yourself fill out this form? no If not, give the name and address of the person who did my daughter - mary La Torraca - 27. 2nd St. - newark n. j.

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

Paolo La Torraca (Signature of applicant)
 27. 2nd St. - newark n. j. (Address at which applicant receives mail)

Statement of Facts To Be Used by the Clerk of Court in Making and Filing My Petition for Naturalization

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- (1) My full, true, and correct name is Paolo La Torraca (Full, true name, without abbreviation, and any other name which has been used must appear here)
- (2) My present place of residence is 27-28th St. Newark N. J. (Number and street) (City or town) (State) (3) My occupation is none
- (4) I am 73 years old. (5) I was born on December 9 1874 in Italy (Month) (Day) (Year) (City or town) (County, district, province, or state) (Country)
- (6) My personal description is as follows: Sex male; color dark; complexion dark; color of eyes brown; color of hair gray; height 5 feet 5 inches; weight 152 pounds; visible distinctive marks none; race white; present nationality Italian
- (7) I am unmarried; the name of my wife or husband is Luigia Del Bagno; we were married on Jan. 30 1874 at Italy (Month) (Day) (Year) (City or town) (County, district, province, or state) (Country)
- he or she was born at Italy (City or town) (County, district, province, or state) (Country) entered the United States at Jan. 30 1874 on Jan. 30 1874 for permanent residence in the United States and now resides at 27-28th St. Newark N. J. (City or town) (State) (County, district, province, or state) (Country) and was naturalized on Jan. 30 1874 at Italy (City or town) (State) (County, district, province, or state) (Country) certificate No. none; or became a citizen by none
- (8) I have 3 children; and the name, sex, date and place of birth, and present place of residence of each of said children who is living are as follows:
Philomena Cuscha - 27-28th St. Newark N. J.
Mary La Torraca - 27-28th St. Newark N. J.
Lucy La Torraca - 27-28th St. Newark N. J.
- (9) My last place of foreign residence was Italy (City or town) (County, district, province, or state) (Country) (10) I emigrated to the United States from Italy (City or town) (County, district, province, or state) (Country)
- (11) My lawful entry for permanent residence in the United States was at Newark New Jersey under the name of Paolo La Torraca on Jan. 30 1874 (City or town) (State) (County, district, province, or state) (Country) (Month) (Day) (Year)
- on the Jan. 30 1874 (Month) (Day) (Year) (Name of vessel or other means of conveyance)
- (12) Since my lawful entry for permanent residence I have not been absent from the United States, for a period or periods of 6 months or longer, as follows:

DEPARTED FROM THE UNITED STATES			RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES		
PORT	DATE (Month, day, year)	VESSEL OR OTHER MEANS OF CONVEYANCE	PORT	DATE (Month, day, year)	VESSEL OR OTHER MEANS OF CONVEYANCE

- (13) I declared my intention to become a citizen of the United States on Jan. 30 1874 in the Italy Court of Italy at Italy (Month) (Day) (Year) (City or town) (State) (Country)
- (14) It is my intention in good faith 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 of whom or which at this time I am a subject or citizen, and it is my intention to reside permanently in the United States. (15) I am not, and have not been for the period of at least 10 years immediately preceding the date of this statement, an anarchist; nor a believer in the unlawful damage, injury, or destruction of property, or sabotage; nor a disbeliever in or opposed to organized government, nor a member of or affiliated with any organization or body of persons teaching disbelief in or opposition to organized government. (16) I am able to speak the English language, unless physically unable to do so. (17) I am, and have been during all of the periods required by law, attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the United States. (18) I have resided continuously in the United States of America since Jan. 30 1874 and continuously in the State of Italy where I now live since Jan. 30 1874 (Month) (Day) (Year) (Month) (Day) (Year)
- (19) I have not heretofore made petition for naturalization number none on Jan. 30 1874 at Italy (City or town) (County, district, province, or state) (Country) in the Italy (Name of court) and such petition was dismissed or denied by that court for the following reasons and causes, to wit none, and the cause of such dismissal or denial has since been cured or removed.
- (20) Attached hereto and made a part of this Statement (if required) are my Declaration of Intention to become a citizen of the United States, three photographs of myself, and a money order for \$2.50 payable to the order of the "Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, Washington, D. C."

- (21) I wish the naturalization court to change my name to none (Give full name desired)
- (22) (1st witness) none (Name) (Occupation) residing at none (Number and street) (City or town) (State) I first met this witness in the United States on Jan. 30 1874 (Month) (Day) (Year)
- (23) (2d witness) none (Name) (Occupation) residing at none (Number and street) (City or town) (State) I first met this witness in the United States on Jan. 30 1874 (Month) (Day) (Year)

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 enclosed (if required) your DECLARATION OF INTENTION, THREE PHOTOGRAPHS OF YOURSELF, AND MONEY ORDER FOR \$2.50?)

(Signature of applicant)

(Address at which applicant receives mail)

DO NOT FILL IN BLANKS BELOW

Affidavit of witnesses to show residence of petitioner as follows:

United States Italy
State Italy
Examiner none

DO NOT FILL IN BLANKS BELOW

Corrections numbered none to none in this Preliminary Form for Petition for Naturalization, N-400, were made by me or at my request.

Applicant none

Date Jan. 30 1874

