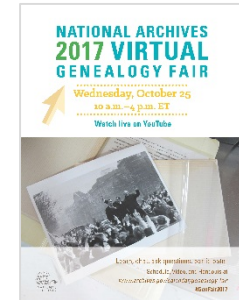




# National Archives 2017 Virtual Genealogy Fair



## *Locating the Relocated: Deciphering Electronic Records on Japanese Americans Interned During World War II*

During this presentation, we will provide guidance on how to search [National Archives Access to Archival Databases \(AAD\)](#) as well as how to find information on digitized textual records in the [National Archives Catalog](#). We will also demonstrate how to use the information in both systems to get a more complete picture of our holdings of Japanese American internee records.

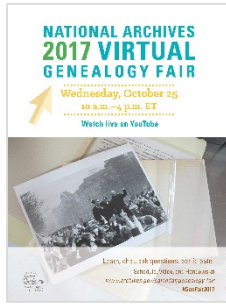
John LeGloahec will explore how to use the Records About Japanese Americans Relocated During World War II, available through AAD. This set of records has become a popular genealogical tool that identifies Japanese Americans interned in several War Relocation Authority camps.

Jana Leighton will discuss genealogical information and the availability of records for download from the National Archives Catalog located within two series of Record Group 210: Records of the War Relocation Authority.

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# Presenter Biographies



**John LeGloahec**  
Archives Specialist  
National Archives  
at College Park, MD

John LeGloahec joined the National Archives in June 2006 as an archives specialist in the Electronic Records Division and since 2013 a full-time member of the Electronic Records Reference Branch.

He holds a Masters in Library Science (M.L.S.) from the University at Albany and a Masters in Social Studies Education (M.S.) from Long Island University. Prior to joining us, John worked at the International Monetary Fund Archives and the Rockefeller Archive Center, where he was Supervisor of the Nelson A. Rockefeller Papers Project. John has also served in various professional roles for the Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference the National Archives Assembly.



**Jana Leighton**  
Archivist  
National Archives  
at College Park, MD

Jana Leighton is an archivist in the Electronic Records Division's Processing Branch at the National Archives and Records Administration in College Park, MD. She has worked for the National Archives since January 2016.

Jana has a B.A. in History with minors in Art, Asian Pacific Studies, and Political Science from California State University Channel Islands and a M.A. in History from Colorado State University. She received her M.L.I.S with a concentration in Digital Preservation from Kent State University in 2015. She is originally from Watsonville, CA, but now resides in Washington, DC.



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Locating the Relocated: Japanese American Internees Records Found in AAD  
by John LeGloahec



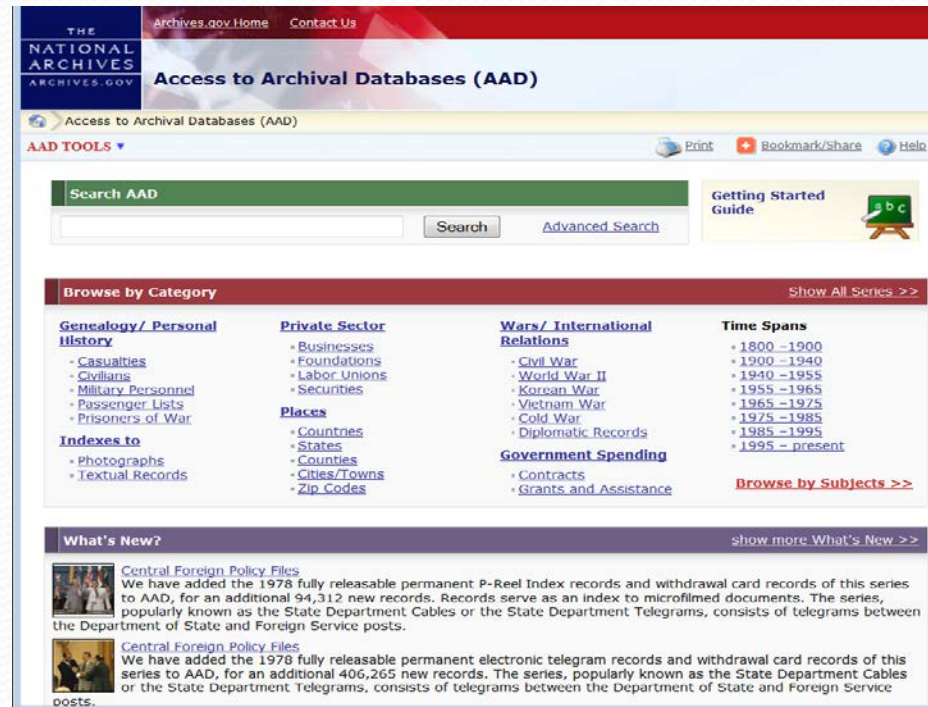
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- Collecting “born-digital” records of the federal government for nearly 50 years.
- Most of the records are raw statistical data
- Advantage: in many cases, records are made available more quickly than paper records
- Disadvantage: raw data can be “scary” to work with by the average researcher



# Access to Archival Databases (AAD)

- Sixty-five different series, in excess of 900 different files, and more than 173 million individual records
- More than 2.6 million “hits” on AAD – a daily average of about 7,200 in FY 2016.
- Over 2 million hits so far in FY 2017.



# Japanese American Records

- NARA webpage on Japanese American Records

<https://www.archives.gov/research/japanese-americans>

- NARA webpage on Internment Records

<https://www.archives.gov/research/japanese-americans/internment-intro>





# Japanese American Records

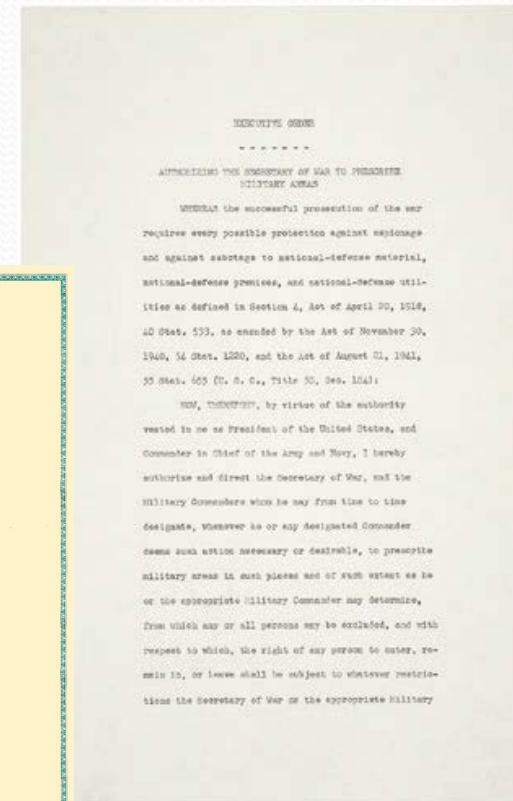
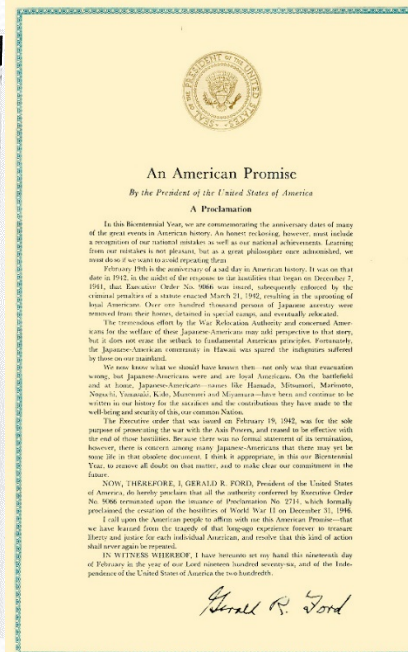
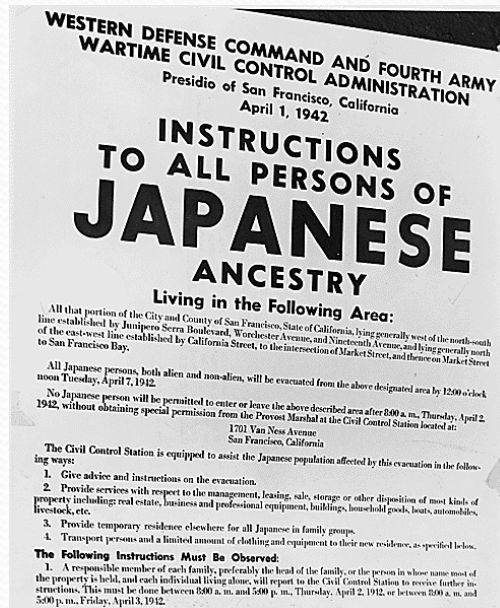
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# Executive Order 9066

- Issued by President Roosevelt
- Rescinded by President Ford





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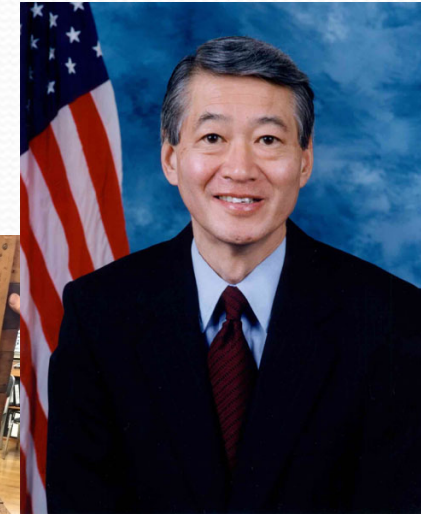
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# Robert Matsui (1941–2005)

- Interned in Tule Lake
- Served as a US Congressman (D-CA), 1978–2005





# Robert Matsui (1941–2005)

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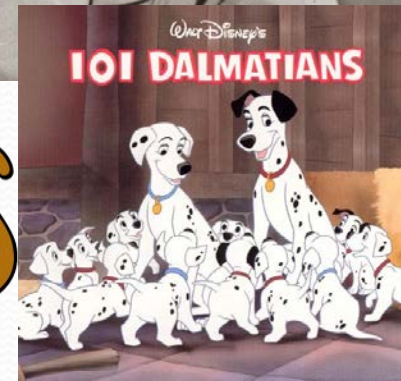
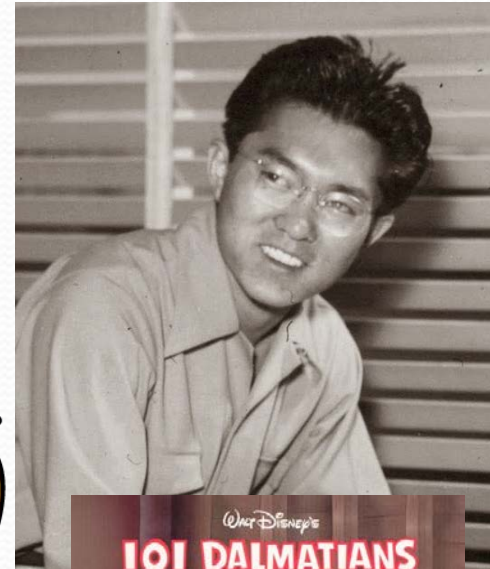
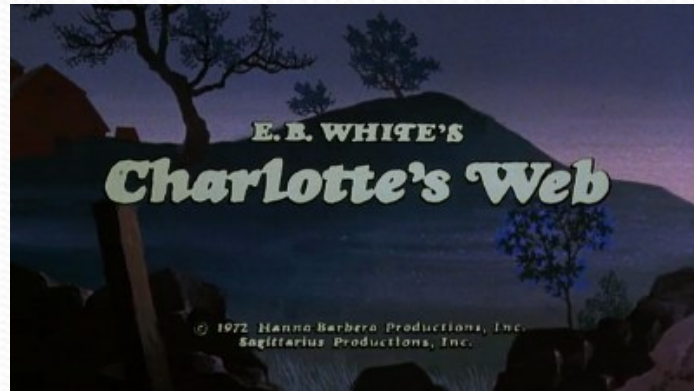
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# Iwao Takamoto (1925–2007)

- Interned in Manzanar
- Trained in basic illustration in the camp
- Worked at Walt Disney Studios and Hanna-Barbera Productions





# Iwao Takamoto (1925–2007)

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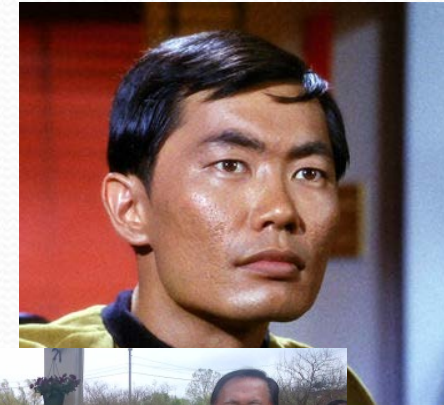
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# George Takei (b. 1937)

- Interned in Rowher and Tule Lake
- Actor and Activist
- Produced play based on experiences in camp



# George Takei (b. 1937)

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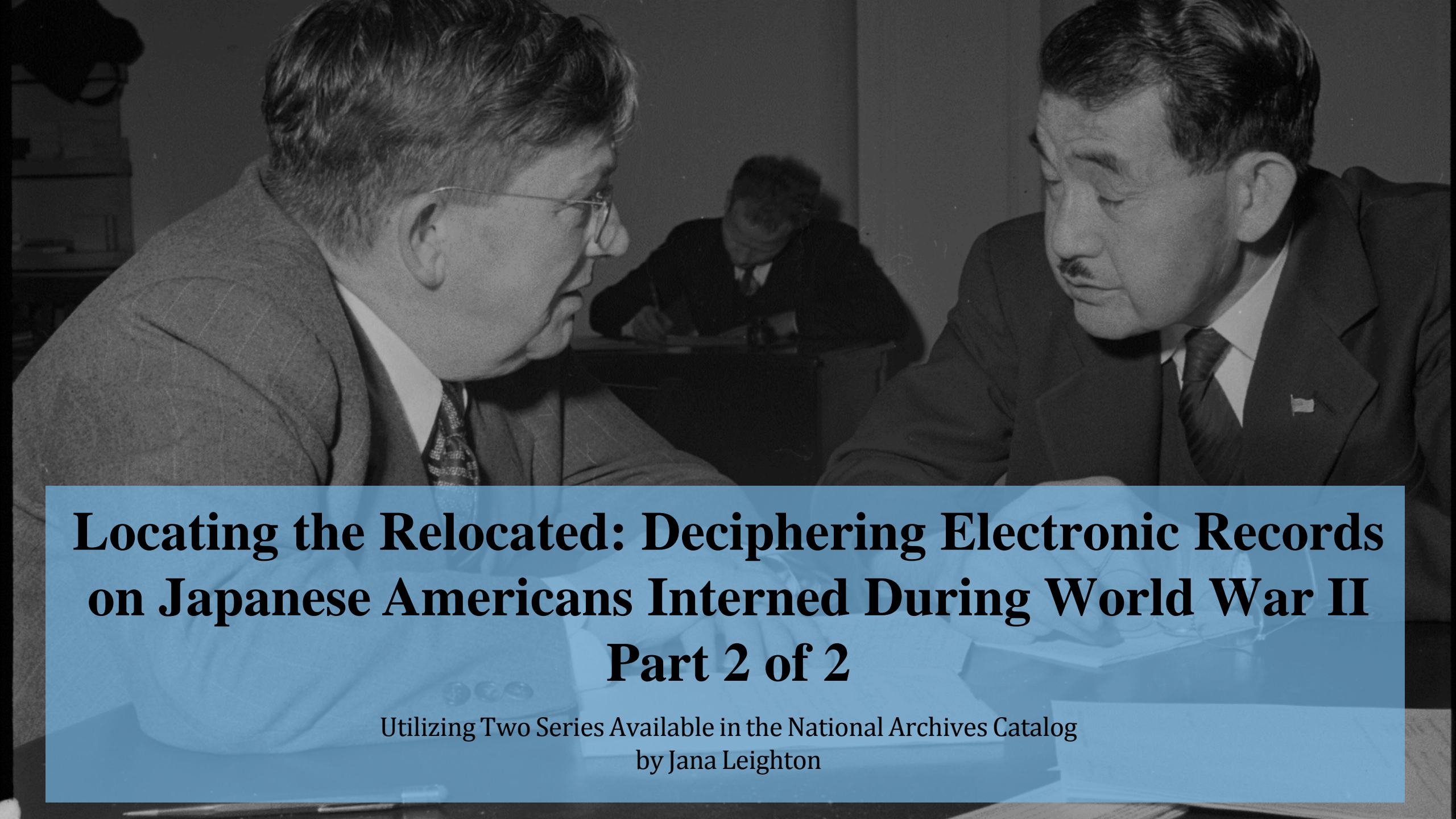
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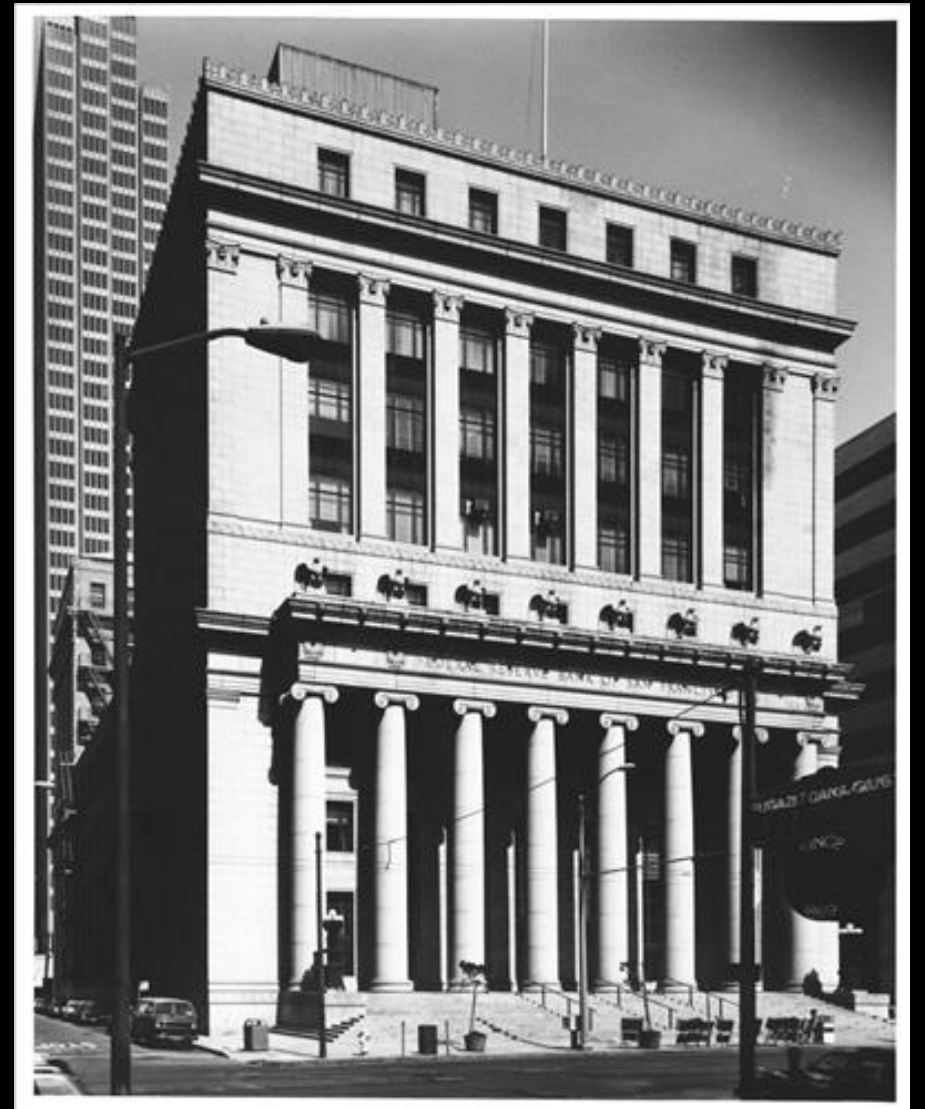
Utilizing Two Series Available in the National Archives Catalog  
by Jana Leighton

# About the Records

On February 19, 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued Executive Order 9066 that allowed the Secretary of War to designate military areas and order evacuation of all persons deemed a threat to national security. In March 1942, the San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank's Evacuee Property Department was established in response to this executive order and creation of the Evacuee Property Program. The program originally fell under the control of the Wartime Civil Control Administration. However, President Roosevelt issued Executive Order 9102 establishing the War Relocation Authority (WRA), and the Evacuee Property Program ultimately came under that agency's organizational authority. The Federal Reserve Bank acted as the fiscal agents of the WRA. They created and maintained these records to provide assistance in relocation, maintenance, and supervision of evacuee property during World War II.

In 1946, the WRA was abolished by Executive Order 9423 and was replaced by the War Agency Liquidation Unit within the Department of the Interior (DOI).

Physical custody of the records had been retained by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (FRBSF) until their transfer to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) in March 2016.



The records were legally transferred from the Department of the Interior (DOI) (legal Federal custodian of the records) to NARA during the same period.



# More About the Records

Belong to Record Group 210: The Records of the War Relocation Authority

Include two series, the San Francisco Branch Evacuee Property Files, 3/18/1942-6/30/1946 and the Portland Branch Evacuee Files, 3/18/1942-6/30/1946

Both series document the management and disposal of properties and goods as identified by the War Relocation Authority (WRA) as directed by Executive Orders 9066 and 9102. They consist of correspondence, reports, and case files pertaining to the property of individuals, families, and businesses impacted by involuntary evacuation and relocation because of their foreign national status or Japanese ancestry. Nationalities include, but are not limited to German, Italian, and Japanese. Many of the documents produced at the Los Angeles Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank were believed to have been incorporated into the San Francisco Branch Evacuee Property Files, 3/18/1942-6/30/1946 collection while under the physical control of the San Francisco Branch. Numerous forms were triplicate, filed separately, and there may be multiple copies of a record within these series. Subjects covered include internment, military restricted areas, Civilian Exclusion Orders, Wartime Civil Control Administration (WCCA), U.S. Employment Service, Farm Security Administration, and the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL). Some of the records are in Japanese.

## **San Francisco Branch Evacuee Property Files, 3/18/1942-6/30/1946**

National Archives Identifier: 38221779

Includes: 12 file units described in the catalog

Extent (Size): 127,788 Tagged Image File

Format (TIFF) and 345 Portable Document

Format (PDF) files

**NARA created Finding Aid available**

## **Portland Branch Evacuee Property Files, 3/18/1942-6/30/1946**

National Archives Identifier: 40143322

Includes: 98 file units described in the catalog

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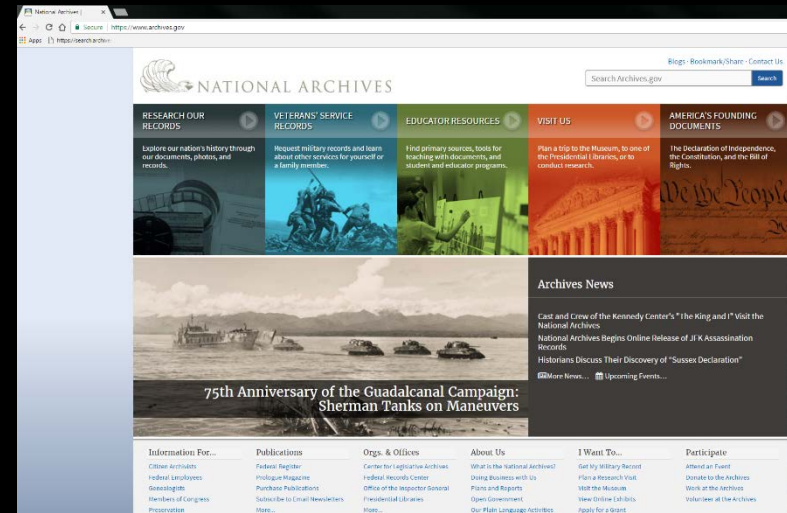
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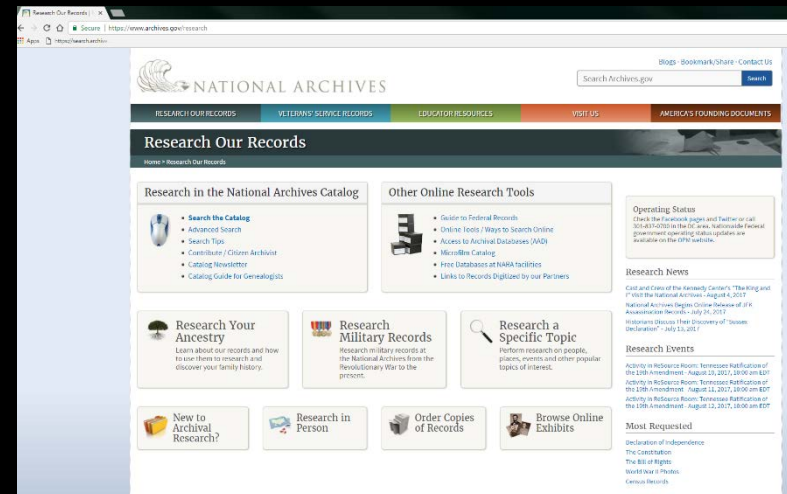
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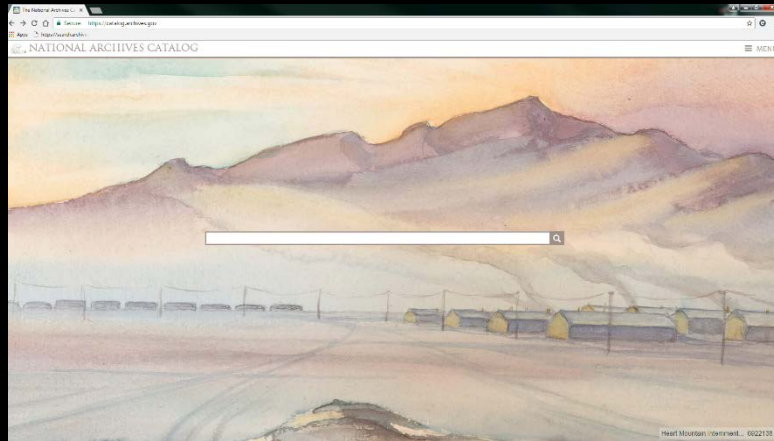
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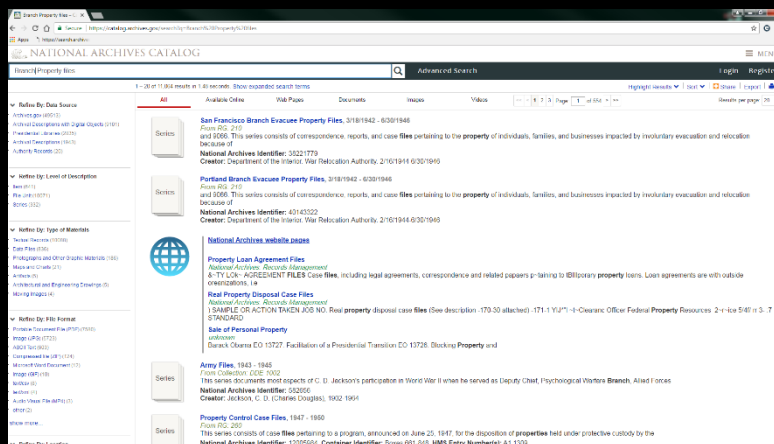
Step 2: Click on the “Research Our Records” tab (<https://www.archives.gov/research>) and then click on “Search the Catalog” within the “Research in the National Archives Catalog” tab.







Step 3: After being redirected to the “National Archives Catalog” landing page (<https://catalog.archives.gov/>) put in the search term “**Branch Property files.**”



Step 4: Both the “**San Francisco Branch Evacuee Property Files, 3/18/1942-6/30/1946**” and “**Portland Branch Evacuee Property Files, 3/18/1942-6/30/1946**” series will be shown at the top of the query result page.

# Useful Tips

- ◆ Look at the NARA-created finding aid available for the San Francisco Branch Evacuee Property Files (NAI: [45642181](#)) and/or the “Portland Japanese Internment Records Finding Aid” (NAI: [4097892](#)) available for the Portland Branch Evacuee Property Files first.
- ◆ “The Report of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco: Evacuation Operations Pacific Coast Military Areas 1942” (NAI: [40974894](#)) is useful and can be used as a reference tool for both record series.
- ◆ All records for these series are available for download and accessible online.
- ◆ The records are scanned for Optical Character Recognition (OCR) so you can search within PDFs. **Note:** Many of the records are handwritten and therefore OCR is less accurate.
- ◆ Unlike in AAD, many of the records within these two series utilize the evacuee’s nickname or American name and not their legal or Japanese name.
- ◆ A significant quantity of the records are forms that were made out in duplicate and/or triplicate. However, many times there is useful or unique information on only one of the copies.
- ◆ The records were originally paper, migrated to microfilm, and then the microfilm was digitized into TIFFs. The PDFs (specifically for the series San Francisco Branch Evacuee Property Files) reflect this in that the order in which the records appear may seem backwards. It is important to pay attention to page numbers and dates within the records.



# Helpful Information Within the Records

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco  
Fiscal Agent of the United States

Name: DAVE M. TATSUNO (Print) (Date) March 14 1942  
Address: 1625 Buchanan St. (Street and Number)  
San Francisco (City) Calif (State)  
Telephone: Interview ✓  
Adult: ☒  
Minor: ☒  
Male: ☒  
Female: ☐  
Citizenship: U.S.

Date of last entry into United States: once here (fully-paid Nov. 1937)  
Operating under Treasury License now?: 68 A

Type of Business: ☒ Partnership  
☒ Proprietorship  
☐ Corporation  
☐ Individual  
Person Interviewed: Dave Tatsuno  
Address: San Francisco  
Telephone Number: Fillmore 8513 40 or 2117 Duaneville

Principal property involved and scope of problem:

1. Nichols Bros. Co., Inc., - American dept. store, partnership between D.M. Tatsuno and partner. Now moving stock at retail prices but anticipates being left with about \$10,000 under in his hands. What is best way of handling it?
2. Has home. Should he leave it under one of a friend who would manage it at no rent, or should he turn over to real estate co. or bank for renting, etc.
3. To Pres. of S.F. Chapter Citizens League - wanted general picture of question of this dept. Having meeting Sunday April 15, at 2 p.m. - requested a representative from this dept. (See attached memo to Mr. Bumberry)

Action taken:

1. Suggested immediate attention to disposal of (or storage of merchandise) through proper channels than selling over counter, i.e. auction, clearance sale, including wholesalers or others selling or handling similar stock and obtaining price agent such as bank or U.S. P.C. action for doing this should be be expedited immediately. He seemed to favor storage in view of the possibility of opening another store. Mats. is standard dry goods.
2. Release of merchandise of friend's office, if was suspected he would be paid or that money is coming from property through bank or real estate person as agent.
3. Give advice given to Mr. Bumberry given memo.

Attach additional pages where necessary

Handled by: [Signature] ✓

Record: Interview Form

Includes name, address before evacuation, if the interview was done by phone or in person, business and/or home telephone number, indicates if property is personal or business, and citizenship





WGCA-FORM FRB-2

## PERSONAL PROPERTY FORM

19896

NAME OF OWNER Shingo Saito FAMILY NO. 200th

ADDRESS AT WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Japanese Mtn Hall  
(NUMBER) (STREET) (FLOR., OR APT., NO.)  
Longview, Wash.  
(CITY) (STATE)

The property described on the reverse side of this form located at the address given above is delivered to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as Fiscal Agent of the United States, at the sole risk of the undersigned. It is agreed that no liability or responsibility shall be assumed by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco for any act or omission in connection with its disposition. It is understood that no insurance will be provided on this property.

WITNESSES \_\_\_\_\_

FOR \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE OF OWNER \_\_\_\_\_

ILLITERATES \_\_\_\_\_

Note to Owner: DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

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### STORAGE NOTICE

The list of items appearing on the reverse side of this form have been placed in storage at the place indicated below with the exception of those items specifically indicated on the reverse side of this form as not found, or not delivered to the undersigned representative of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as Fiscal Agent of the United States, or as not being of the proper type for storage. The stored items are identified only as to the number of items, crates, or boxes, and not as to the contents thereof.

DATE 6/4/42 JUN 4 1942 SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_  
Representing the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco,  
as Fiscal Agent of the United States.

PLACED IN STORAGE AT: Oregon Transfer Company  
Warehouse No. 5  
733 N. W. Everett Street  
Portland, Oregon

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### INSTRUCTIONS TO OWNER

Before any property will be accepted for storage by the United States Government four (4) copies of this form must be filed in and returned to the Civil Control Station at which you registered for evacuation. On the back of each copy the items to be left for storage must be carefully listed. Items not on the printed list should be written in the blank space provided on this form.

Small articles must be securely packed in crates or boxes of not less than two (2) cubic feet capacity and will be indicated simply as to number of boxes, so attempt being made to itemize on this form the articles therein. All crates and boxes must be securely packed and fastened. Each box, crate, or article must be identified with tags obtained from the Civil Control Station.

No loose bundles of clothes, linens, utensils, or other small or unsubstantial household items will be accepted for storage. Farm products, farm machinery, automobiles, land, livestock, or pets must not be listed as personal property on this form.

After all copies of the form have been filed in and returned to the Civil Control Station, one copy, checked for conformity with the other three, will be given to the owner of the property. The copy delivered to the owner will be evidence merely that other copies of the form have been delivered. At this time the owner must leave the keys to the place where the property is to be found, or make arrangements to deliver the keys to the representative of the Evacuee Property Department of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco before leaving the area of his residence.

The copy delivered to the owner merely shows the number of items, boxes, and crates which the owner claims he has prepared for storage. It does not constitute an agreed inventory. It does not constitute a verified list. It does not constitute any evidence of the number of items actually stored or of the contents of boxes, crates or packages. Verification of the inventory list of items actually stored will be made as storage is accomplished. A verified list will then be forwarded to the owner.

The copy of the list mailed to the owner will serve as a permanent record and should be carefully preserved by him.

Record: Personal Property Form

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Includes name, family number, where property is located, date form was filled out, and at what storage location property it was stored.

WVCA FORM 198-1

## MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM

(See instructions on back of this sheet)

Name of Registered Owner Minom Mayeda Family Number 255  
 Address of Registered Owner 9834 V P Mariposa Ave L.A. Calif  
 Name of Legal Owner (if different) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address of Legal Owner \_\_\_\_\_  
 License Number 66Y841 Serial Number James  
 Make of Vehicle Ford 4 Engine Number A1134415  
 Date First Sold 5-10-79 Type of Vehicle Roadster  
 Accessories (Indicate number on vehicle): Spare Tire(s) One Fog Light(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Radio \_\_\_\_\_  
 Heater \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

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**WAIVER**

The motor vehicle described in this form is delivered to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as Fiscal Agent of the United States, at the sole risk of the undersigned. It is agreed that no liability or responsibility shall be assumed by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco for any act or omission in connection with its disposition. It is understood that no insurance will be provided on this property.

Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_  
 for \_\_\_\_\_  
 Illiterates \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Owner Minom Mayeda

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**RECEIPT FOR VEHICLE**

Place of Delivery \_\_\_\_\_  
 Receipt of the vehicle described above is hereby acknowledged.  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representing the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco,  
 Fiscal Agent of the United States.  
 Placed in Storage at \_\_\_\_\_

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## MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM

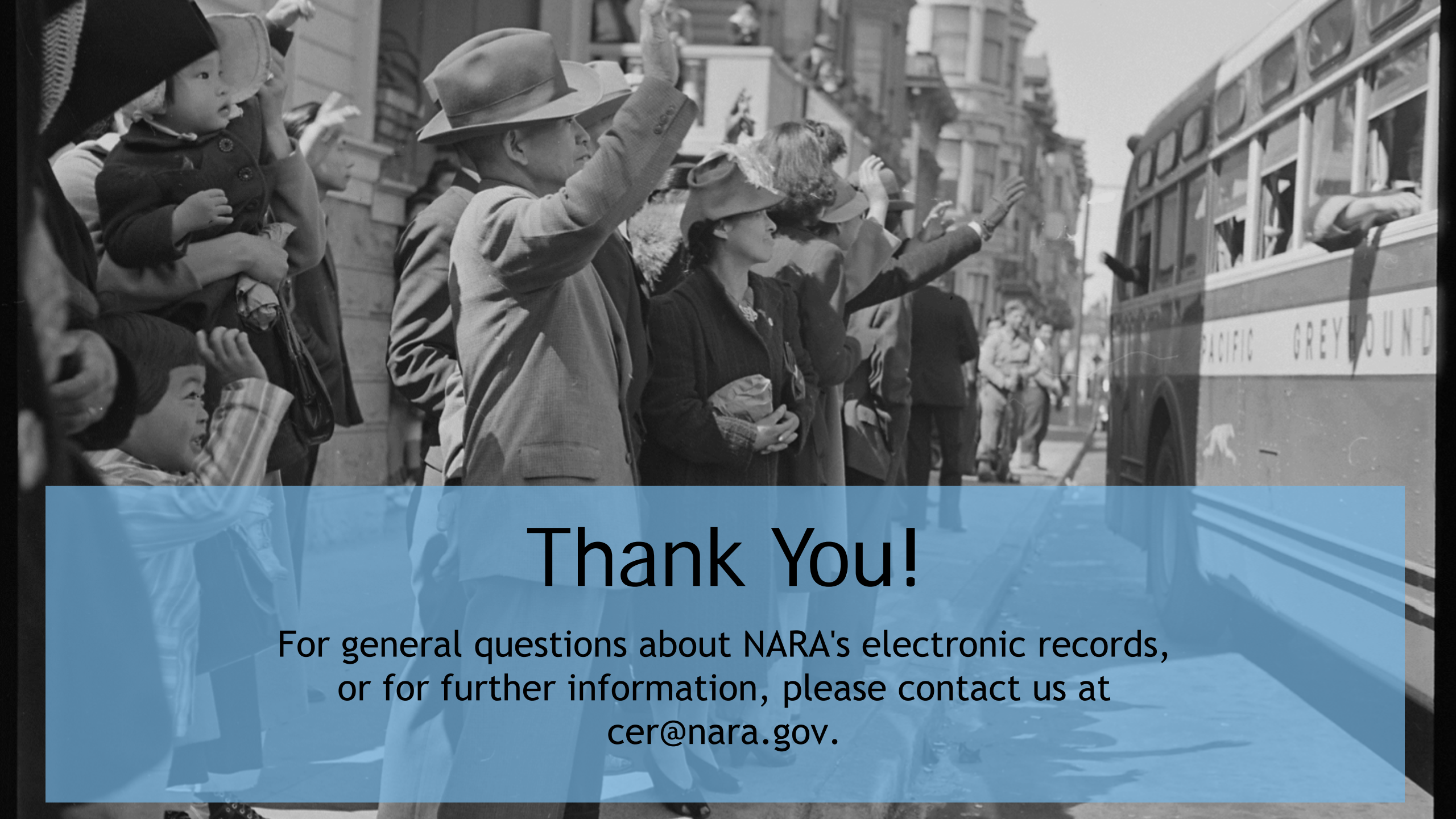
(See instructions on back of this sheet)

Name of Registered Owner Minom Mayeda Family Number 255  
 Address of Registered Owner 9834 V P Mariposa Ave L.A. Calif  
 Name of Legal Owner (if different) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address of Legal Owner \_\_\_\_\_  
 License Number 66Y841 Serial Number James  
 Make of Vehicle Ford 4 Engine Number A1134415  
 Date First Sold 5-10-79 Type of Vehicle Roadster  
 Accessories (Indicate number on vehicle): Spare Tire(s) One Fog Light(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Radio \_\_\_\_\_  
 Heater \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

Includes name of registered owner, family number, address of registered owner (before evacuation), license number, engine number, date first sold, and type of vehicle

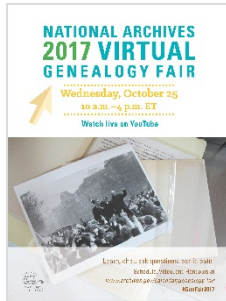
Record: Motor Vehicle Registration Form





# Thank You!

For general questions about NARA's electronic records,  
or for further information, please contact us at  
[cer@nara.gov](mailto:cer@nara.gov).



# Thank you for attending!

If we did not get to your question,  
you may submit it to [inquire@nara.gov](mailto:inquire@nara.gov)

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Today's video recording and materials  
will remain available at  
[www.archives.gov/calendar/genealogy-fair](http://www.archives.gov/calendar/genealogy-fair)