

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

IMMIGRATION FILE

No. 535

H O N G W O

of

"SAM LUNG" CO.
Merchants,
No. 299 Clark st.
Chicago, Ill.



AGE:—Forty Six Years.

HEIGHT:—5 Ft., 7-1/2 In.

The United States of America. }
Northern District of Illinois. } set:
Eastern Division.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, Citizens of the United States, residents of the City of Chicago and vicinity, in the division and district aforesaid, Do Hereby Certify that we have been well acquainted with the above-described HONG WO for upwards of one year last past, during which time he has been a reputable resident chinese merchant of the said City of Chicago, and neither a huckster, peddler, laundryman or laborer of any kind.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said year of our acquaintance with him, the said HONG WO has been a member of the firm of chinese merchants trading and doing business under the trade-name and style of "SAM LUNG" Company, at No. 299 Clark street, in the said City of Chicago; and that the said firm is an Importer and Dealer in Teas, Groceries, Provisions, Clothing and general chinese, japanese and american merchandise; and that the said firm has been so engaged in business, there, for upwards of eight years last past.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said year of our acquaintance with him, the said HONG WO has been engaged in buying and selling merchandise at the said fixed place of business, under the said trade-name and style of the said firm of which he is a member; and that, during the said year, the said HONG WO has not been engaged in the performance of manual labor, skilled or unskilled, of any kind, except such as has been necessary in the conduct of his said business as such merchant.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That the Photograph heretofore annexed hereto, and the foregoing Description, are a true and correct likeness and personal description of the said HONG WO.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That we have been credibly informed, and verily

believe the said HONG WO has a financial interest of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) in the business and assets of the said firm, and from our frequent visits to his said place of business, and our general acquaintance with various members of his said firm, we have become well satisfied that he is actively engaged in the business of his said firm, exercises a voice in the management of the business and ~~affix~~ affairs thereof, and is a bona fide member thereof.

Dated, at Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., November 20, 1906.

Arthur W Chapman

(Address) 212 Clark, Chicago, Ill.

N. C. Dana

(Address) 159 La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.

State of Illinois.)
County of Cook.) ss.
City of Chicago.)

Arthur W Chapman, of the City of Chicago, in said county and state, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says as follows, to-wit:-

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the City of Chicago, in the County of Cook and State of Illinois, where I follow the occupation of Assistant City Ticket Agent, C. & N. W. Ry.

I am one of the signers of the foregoing and annexed Certificate; and the statements therein made are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to, this }
20th day of November, A.D., 1906, }
before me.

Arthur W Chapman

Mark A. Foote,

Notary Public, Cook Co., Ill's.

State of Illinois.)
County of Cook.) ss.
City of Chicago.)

N. C. Dana, of the City of Chicago, in said county and state, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says as follows, to-wit:-

I am a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the City of Chicago, in the County of Cook and State of Illinois, where I follow the occupation of a Insurance Agent

I am one of the signers of the foregoing and annexed Certificate; and the statements therein made are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to, this }
20th day of November, A.D., 1906, }
before me.

N. C. Dana

Mark A. Foote,

Notary Public, Cook Co., Ill's.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
Northern District of Illinois) Set:
Eastern Division.)

I, Mark A. Foote, United States Commissioner for the Northern District of Illinois, do hereby Certify that I am acquainted with Arthur W. Chapman and Harry C. Davis, the signers of the foregoing and annexed certificate and affidavits; that they are not Chinese persons; that they are citizens of the United States, and residents of the City of Chicago and vicinity, in the Eastern Division of the Northern District of Illinois; that they are reputable persons, of good character; and that in my opinion their statements are entitled to full credence and belief.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at the said City of Chicago, in the Eastern Division of the Northern District of Illinois, this 20th day of November, A.D., 1906, at the hundred and six.

Mark A. Foote,
United States Commissioner, N.D. Ill.

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APPLICATION FOR ENDORSEMENT
OF ACCOMPANYING AFFIDAVITS, UNDER RULE 25, REGULATIONS APPROVED FEB. 5, 1906.

To
LORENZO T. PLUMMER, ESQ.,
Chinese Inspector in charge,
Chicago, Ill., Nov. 20, 1906.
Chicago, Illinois.

Sir:

My name is HONG WO; and I am a native and subject of China.

I have lived in the United States about Twenty Five (25) years; and in Chicago, Illinois, about Fourteen (14) years. I have not re-visited China during the time of my residence in the United States.

With others, about Fourteen (14) years ago, I organized the firm of "SAM LUNG", Chinese Merchants, formerly of No. 156 State st., for the last eight years of No. 299 Clark st., Chicago, Illinois. I have been an actual and active member of said firm, continuously, ever since. My share and interest in the stock, business, leasehold and all other of the assets of the said firm is worth, reasonably and at least, One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). I intend to keep and enjoy my said share and interest in the said firm indefinitely, and not to sell or otherwise dispose of the same or any part thereof.

For upwards of one year last past, I have not been a laundryman, or a laborer of any kind, but have been exclusively engaged in the business of my said firm. During said year, I have not been engaged in or interested in the performance of manual labor, skilled or unskilled of any kind, directly or indirectly, in any manner or to any extent, except such as has been necessary in the conduct of my said business as such merchant as aforesaid.

I intend to visit China, and upon the completion of my visit to return into the United States, to resume my said residence and business occupation therein.

Wherefore, I transmit herewith the affidavits of two credible witnesses other than chinese, and pray that the same may be endorsed as provided in the Regulation cited above.

Very respectfully,

Hong Wo

c/o Sam Lung, No. 299 Clark st.,
Chicago, Ill.

CHICAGO

December 5 1906

Case of
Hong Wo,
Mer.Dep.

L.T.Plummer
Wong Aloy

Inspector
Interpreter.

Applicant, sworn by Inspector Plummer testified.

What is your name?

Hong Woo.

What is your full Chinese Name?

Hong Woo is all the name I have.

Are you registered?

No.

Why not?

I came from China with my father and was in business with him when the other Chinamen registered, and I was told that I did not have to register.

When did you come from China?

I cant remember the year, but I have been in the United States over twenty-five years.

What firm were you a member of during the period of registration?

The firm name was Sam Lee on Jackson St. San Francisco, but I dont remember the number as it was so long ago.

How much of an interest did you have in it?

I had an \$800.00 interest which was given me by my father.

What was your father's name?

Hong Yui Bow.

How many partners were there in that firm?

There were over ten members, but only a few worked in the store.

Name the men who were in the store?

Hong Doong Chew, Hong Doong Gay, Hong Hoy, my father, myself, and some not of my family whose names I forget.

When did you leave the firm of Sam Lee?

I cant tell just when I left this firm, but it was shortly after the Chinamen got through registering.

When did you become a member of Sam Lung?

A little over eight years ago.

How much of an interest have you in that firm?

I put in \$800.00 to start with, but my stock is worth over \$1000. now.

What has been your work in the store?

Selling goods and general work about the store. I have done a great deal of my work in the drug department.

What were you doing between the time you left Sam Lee and the time you came into Sam Lung?

I was in Ogden Utah with Hong Sling, in a Chinese store there.

Have you done any manual labor outside the store during the past year?

I have done nothing at all except what I have done in Sam Lung &

Who are the partners whose entire time is devoted to the business of the firm?

Hong Sling, Soo Hoo See, Jim Heim, Hong Gee, Hong Fat, Hong Chung Lee Toy, Jin Yut Quong, Jin Sing, and myself.

Do you get any salary?

No.

Are you married?

Not yet.

Are you going to China on your own business or on business of the firm?

On my own personal business.

What will you do upon your return?

I will come back into the store.

Have you understood the Interpreter? A. Yes.

Signed (in English) Hong Wo

L.T.Plummer Inspector
Wong Aloy Interpreter.

Chicago Ill. December 5 1906

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Hong Sling: Sworn testified.

What is your name?

Hong Sling.

What is your business?

Manager of firm of Sam Lung Co.#299 So.Clark St.Chicago Ill.

How long have you been manager of that firm?

Since it was organized.

Do you know this man? (Showing photograph of applicant)

Yes it is Hong Woo.

How long has he been a member of Sam Lung Co.

Since it was organized.

What interest has he?

He put in \$800.00 at the time of organization but it is worth a great deal more than that now.

What is his work in the store?

Selling and packing goods and doing general work about the store

How long has he been in the store, all his time devoted to its business?

Since he first came into the firm.

During the past year has he done any manual labor except about the business of the firm.

No.

Does he draw any salary?

No he only gets his share of the profits.

What would you say is a fair value of the goods you now have on hand?

I can only give a rough guess, but I would say \$15000.00 to \$18000

Who are the members who are in the store all the time?

Soo Hoo See, Jim Heim, Hong Gee, Hong Fat, Hong Woo, Hong Chung, Lee Toy, though he is not a member of the firm as yet, Jin Yet Quong, and myself, and Jin Sing,

Have there been any changes in the firm since the last list was furnished with the additions of July 5 1905 and April 3 1906?

No.

What will Hong Woo do upon his return?

He will come back into the store.

Who will take Hong Woo's place in the store while he is away?

I don't know yet.

Signed (in English) Hong Sling Witness
L.T.Plummer Inspector