

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
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## STATEMENT OF REGISTERED CHINESE LABORER, ABOUT TO DEPART FROM THE UNITED STATES WITH THE INTENTION OF RETURNING THERETO.

Made in compliance with the treaty between the United States and China, concluded and signed on March 17, 1894, ratified on December 7, 1894, and proclaimed by the President of the United States December 8, 1894, and the act of Congress approved April 29, 1902, entitled "An act to prohibit the coming into and to regulate the residence within the United States, its Territories and all territory under its jurisdiction, and the District of Columbia, of Chinese persons and persons of Chinese descent", and the Rules and Regulations of the Secretary of the Treasury in conformity therewith.

I HEREBY DECLARE that I am a Chinese Laborer, duly registered under the act of Congress approved May 5, 1892, as amended by the act of November 3, 1893; and my Certificate of Residence, issued to me as a Chinese person other than laborer is annexed hereto. My said Certificate is numbered 137613; and it was issued to me by the Collector of Internal Revenue, at Chicago, Illinois, January 16, 1896, in lieu of a like Certificate, numbered 6828, which was issued to me by said Collector theretofore, but which had been lost or destroyed by unavoidable accident.



NAME:- J. O. LOY.

No. 370  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

PRESENT AGE:-Forty Two (42) Years.

LOCAL RESIDENCE:-299 Clark st., Chicago, Illinois.

OCCUPATION:-Miscellaneous.

HEIGHT:-5 Ft., 7-1/2 In., in American Shoes.

EYES:-Dark Brown.

PHYSICAL MARKS and Peculiarities for Identification

None.

I CLAIM TO POSSESS THE PROPERTY AND DEBTS DESCRIBED BELOW:-

PROPERTY; An undivided co-partnership interest in the stock, business and all other of the assets of "Sam Lung", an association of Chinese persons engaged in buying and selling merchandise under the said trade-name and style of "Sam Lung" at No. 299 Clark street, Chicago, in the County of Cook and State of Illinois. My said interest was worth, and cost me One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). The value thereof has increased and is now worth upwards of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00).

I HEREBY AGREE that none of said property shall be diverted, transferred or otherwise disposed of during my absence; and that the above-described claim shall remain as it now exists until my return.

I intend to depart from the United States at the port of San Francisco, as soon hereafter as I may, and to return to the United States within one year thereafter at the same port.

WHEREFORE, I respectfully request a Certificate of my right to return to the United States.

J. O. Loy

Subscribed and sworn to, by the above-named J.O.LOY, at the City of Chicago, in the County of Cook and State of Illinois, this 18 day of August A.D., 1905, before me.

L. O. Luium

Chinese Inspector in charge.

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Department of Commerce and Labor  
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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

No. 2043-C.

Aug. 15, 1905.

Chinese Inspector in Charge,

Chicago, Ill.

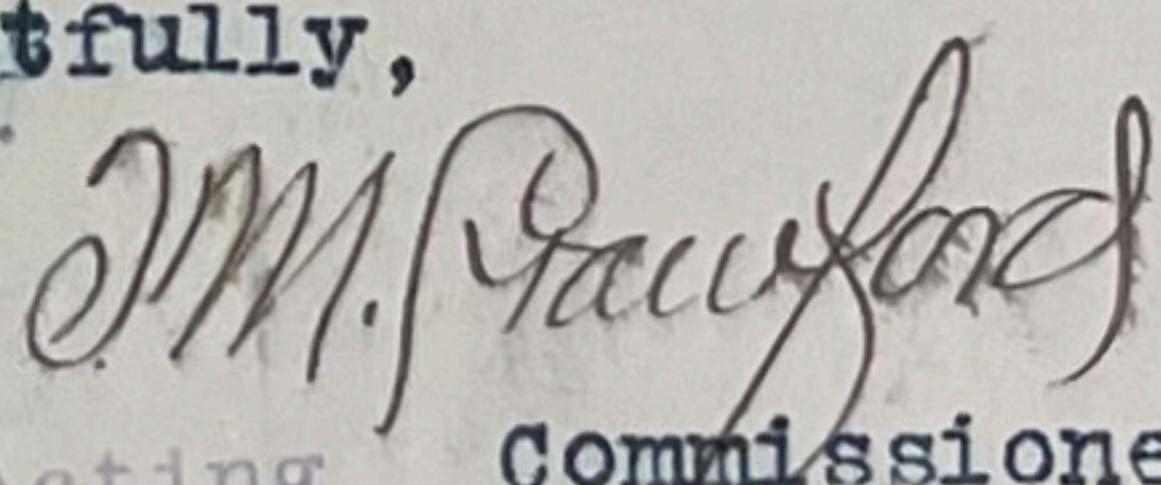
Sir:

Herewith please find, in duplicate, affidavits filed at this office on behalf of one J. O. Loy, a Chinese claiming to be a merchant of the firm of Sam Lung, No. 299 Clark St., Chicago.

These papers were received from U. S. Commissioner Foote of your city, and it is noted that he has failed to attach to said papers the usual affidavit of the applicant himself, bearing his photograph, and setting forth his claims and intentions. Please obtain from Mr. Foote such an affidavit, in duplicate, to be attached to these papers.

It is requested that you then investigate the status of said J. O. Loy, forwarding report to this office as soon as possible with the return of this enclosure.

Respectfully,

  
J.M. Crawford  
Acting Commissioner.CT  
Enc. 25637.

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CHICAGO

August 26, 1905.

Case of : L. T. Plummer, Examining Inspector.  
 J. O. LOY, :  
 Departing Laborer. : D. Arthur Plumly, Stenographer.

Applicant, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified (in English):

- Q. What is your name?  
 A. J. O. Loy.  
 Q. How long have you been in the United States?  
 A. About 29 or 30 years.  
 Q. How long have you lived in Chicago?  
 A. Ever since 1893.  
 Q. What business have you been in in Chicago?  
 A. In merchandise business; Chinese grocery.  
 Q. Did you also have an interest in a restaurant on Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago?  
 A. I did have, but I haven't had it for a year or so.  
 Q. When did you sell out that interest there?  
 A. A little over 14 months ago.  
 Q. Who did you sell it out to?  
 A. Arthur Lam.  
 Q. What have you been doing since that time?  
 A. I have been in Sam Lung & Co. all the time, delivering and selling goods.  
 Q. Have you been in that restaurant some of the time since then?  
 A. I have delivered goods from the store of Sam Lung & Co. to the restaurant very often.  
 Q. Have you looked after that restaurant; managed it at times and done work in it during the last 14 months?  
 A. Well, I tell you; I have been sometime act a little and help them a little.  
 Q. Haven't you at times taken an active part in the management of it since you sold it to him?  
 A. I have had some trouble about payments and I went down and gave him time to settle up.  
 Q. Haven't you looked after the restaurant and managed it at times?  
 A. My name has remained on the bills of fare since the boy took the place.  
 Q. Where do you live? Where do you sleep?  
 A. I sleep at Sam Lung's now.  
 Q. Did you live down at that restaurant since you sold it?  
 A. Before I got all my money I slept down there sometimes, when I got out there with goods, but since then at Sam Lung's.  
 Q. How long ago did you get all your money?  
 A. A few months ago I got it all.  
 Q. How long ago did you stop living down there at that restaurant?  
 A. A little over 11 months.  
 Q. Weren't you living there at the time I stopped there for lunch?  
 A. At that time I was living there but the cook was away and I was taking the goods up there, and Inspector Plummer, Inspector Thompson, and Interpreter Wong Aloy came in for lunch, and I tried to make it as pleasant as possible for them and turned in and cooked and gave them a good time.  
 Q. Is that the only time you have done any work in that restaurant since you sold it out a year ago?  
 A. If they wanted any goods at the restaurant they telephoned the store and I took them down, and so I was there quite often.

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- Q Wouldn't you do any work in the restaurant at the time you were there?  
 A No.  
 Q Was that the only time you have done any work in that restaurant since you sold out; the time I was there at lunch?  
 A Well, no. I was down there, the people know me beforehand call me to the table, and I go there and talk to them if they know me.  
 Q Was that the only time? Haven't you done any work down there; cooked and waited on the table when they were short of help?  
 A Well, maybe once in a while I forgot, bringing goods all the time, you know.  
 Q When did you acquire your interest in Sam Lung & Co.?  
 A Since the firm started.  
 Q When was that?  
 A About 6 or 7 years ago.  
 Q How much did you put in?  
 A I put in \$1,000.00 capital.  
 Q Have you taken any money out of the firm since that time?  
 A Not the capital but the dividends. At the end of the year we count up and generally divide a little each year.  
 Q Would you always take out your dividends or leave them in?  
 A Sometimes I took them out and sometimes leave them in.  
 Q How much is your interest in that firm worth now?  
 A I can't estimate; about \$1,600.00 or \$1,800.00.

(Signed) KJ. O. LOY, Applicant.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.

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Witness, HONG SLING, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified, in English:

- Q What is your name? A Hong Sling.  
 Q What is your business?  
 A Merchandise business; manager of the firm of Sam Lung & Co. ever since it opened up 7 or 8 years ago.  
 Q Do you know this man (showing photo of applicant)?  
 A Yes; it is J. O. Loy.  
 Q How long have you known him? A 25 or 28 years.  
 Q Have you ever been in business with him?  
 A Oh, yes. I was in business with him for a long time.  
 Q At the present time does he have any interest in your firm of Sam Lung & Co.?  
 A Yes, sir; he has \$1,000.00.  
 Q How long has he had that interest?  
 A Since I started 7 or 8 years ago.  
 Q Did he put in \$1,000.00 at that time? A Yes; when we started.  
 Q What is that interest worth now? A About \$2,000 or \$3,000.  
 Q Has he taken out any part of the principal since you started?  
 A He took his dividends and put some them back into the business.  
 Q Is the list of your firm which you furnished me in October 1903, and added to again in July 1905, a correct list?  
 A Yes.

(Signed) HONG SLING, Witness.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.

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CHICAGO

July 3, 1906.

Case of : L. T. Plummer, Examining Inspector.  
J: O. LOY, :  
Lab. Ret. : Wong Aloy, Interpreter.

Witness, HONG SLING, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:  
(in English)

- Q What is your name? A Hong Sling.  
Q What is your business?  
A Manager of the firm of Sam Lung & Co., 299 South Clark St.  
Q Do you know this man (showing photograph of applicant)?  
A Yes; it is J.O.Loy.  
Q Does he still own any interest in your firm?  
A Yes; \$1,000, although it is now worth more than that.  
Q Has there been any change in his ownership since he went to China?  
A No, it remains the same.  
Q Is your firm in the same financial condition as when the applicant departed? A Yes.  
Q How long have you known this man? A 25 or 30 years.

Witness signed his testimony in English:

(Signed) HONG SLING, Witness.  
(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.