

Re: Felix Kieke- St. Cloud, Minnesota.

State of Minnesota.

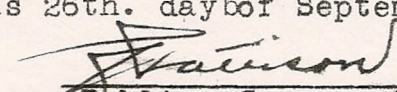
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County of Stearns.

Stephen Kieke and Katherine Kieke, being each first duly sworn, depose and say:

1. That affiants are husband and wife, and are farmers by occupation, that their post-office address is RFD 3, Clearwater, Minnesota; that the said Stephen Kieke is 62 years of age and the said Katherine Kieke is 56 years of age.
2. That each of said affiants were born in the Town of St. Augusta, in Stearns County, Minnesota, and that each of said affiants is a citizen of the United States of America.
3. That Felix Kieke, who now resides at No. 401 Eighth Avenue in the City of St. Cloud, Minnesota, is the legally adopted son of these affiants.
4. That affiants took the said Felix Kieke in June, 1914, from the New York Foundling Hospital, of New York City, New York, and that the said Felix Kieke was then five years of age; that when he, the said Felix Kieke, was brought to affiants home in June, 1914, there was a slip of paper attached to his clothing which stated that the said Felix Kieke was born on April 10, 1909, but contained no information as to the place of his birth or his parentage; and that in 1917 these affiants adopted the said Felix Kieke as their lawful son in proceedings had in the district court of Stearns County, Minnesota, a record of such adoption being in the office of the clerk of the said district court, at St. Cloud, Minnesota.
5. That affiants received a letter in 1914 from the New York Foundling Hospital, written in response to affiants' request for information about said Felix Kieke, stating that the said Felix Kieke was left at said foundling hospital when a very small infant by a woman whose identity was not stated; that affiants recently gave this letter to the said Felix Kieke, who now has it in his possession.
6. That the slip of paper mentioned in paragraph four hereof was not preserved by affiants and was either lost or destroyed.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 26th. day of September, 1941.

  
Notary Public, Stearns County, Minn.  
My commission expires March 5th. 1943.

