

United States of America.

State of Florida, County of Hillsborough,

In the matter of the Application of Edwin A. Pierce
an alien, to become a Naturalized Citizen of the United States of America.

AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICANT.

On this 18th day of July, A. D. 1903, before the undersigned, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for the County of Hillsborough, in the Sixth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, personally appeared Edwin A. Pierce, who being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says: That he, the said affiant, is the identical Edwin A. Pierce who has this day made application to the said Court to be admitted to become a naturalized citizen of the United States of America; that he, the said applicant, has resided in the United States during the last five years, and for the year last past has resided within the State of Florida and now resides in the County of Hillsborough; that he made a declaration of his intention to become a citizen of the United States according to the statutes in such case made and provided more than two years prior to this date; that he is over twenty-one years of age and is a native of the Bahama Islands of the Kingdom of Great Britain and a subject of the King of said country, and is in all respects entitled to become a naturalized citizen of the United States.

And the said applicant further deposes and says, that he does not disbelieve in, nor is he opposed to, all organized government; that he is not a member of, nor affiliated with any organization entertaining and teaching such disbelief in or opposition to all organized governments; that he does not advocate nor teach the duty, necessity or propriety of the unlawful assaulting or killing of any officer or officers, either of specific individuals or of officers generally, of the government, of the United States, or of any other organized government, because of his or their official character; and that he, the said applicant, has not violated any of the provisions of Chapter 1012 of the laws of the 2nd session of the 57th Congress of the United States, being an Act approved March 3rd, 1903.

Edwin A. Pierce

Sworn to and subscribed before me at Tampa, in said county and State, this 18th day of

July, A. D. 1903

W. L. Hanks
Clerk Circuit Court.

By W. L. Hanks Deputy Clerk.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES.

Also, on the said 18th day of July, A. D. 1903 before the undersigned, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for the County of Hillsborough in the State of Florida, personally came Benjamin Davis aged 36 years, of Ozma and A. A. Saunders aged 27 years, of Ozma, who both being by me duly sworn, depose and say, that they have known Edwin A. Pierce, the applicant above named for 7 years and 9 years respectively; that the said Edwin A. Pierce has resided in the United States during the last five years, and in the States of Florida for a year last past, and now resides in the county of Hillsborough of said State; that the said Edwin A. Pierce is a native of Bahama Islands and a subject of the King of said country, and is over the age of twenty-one years.

Deponents further swear that the said Edwin A. River
has, during the time they have known him, always conducted himself as a law-abiding citizen, well disposed towards the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; and that from their intimate acquaintance with, and knowledge of, the said applicant, they, the said deponents, are satisfied that he does not disbelieve in, nor is he opposed to, all organized government; that he is not a member of nor affiliated with, any organization, entertaining or teaching such disbelief in or opposition to all organized governments; that he does not advocate nor teach the duty, necessity or propriety of the unlawful assaulting or killing of any officer or officers, either specific individuals or of officers generally, of the government of the United States or of any other organized government, because of his or their official character; and that said applicant has not, to their knowledge, violated any of the provisions of Chapter 1012 of the laws of the 2d session of the 57th Congress of the United States, being an Act approved March 2d, 1903.

Rome Irving
S. S. Saunders

Sworn to and subscribed before me at Tampa, in said county and State, on this 18th day
of July A. D. 1903
By W. L. Hawks, Clerk
Chambers Deputy Clerk.

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State of Florida, County of Hillsborough.

BE IT REMEMBERED That on the 18th day of July A. D. 1903
Edwin A. River, late of the Bahamas Islands, at present of Hillsborough County, State of Florida, appeared in the Circuit Court of the Sixth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for the county of Hillsborough, and applied to said court to become a naturalized citizen of the United States of America; and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court by the oath of the said applicant and from the testimony of Rome Irving and S. S. Saunders
of Hillsborough County, Florida, that said applicant has resided in the United States during the last five years, and for the year last past in the State of Florida; that he is a native of the Bahamas Islands of the Kingdom of Great Britain and a subject of the King of said country; that he made a declaration of his intention to become a citizen of the United States according to the statutes in such case made and provided more than two years since; that he is more than twenty-one years of age, and is in all other respects entitled to become a naturalized citizen of the United States.

And it further appearing to the satisfaction of the court from the testimony above mentioned, that the said applicant does not disbelieve in, nor is he opposed to, all organized government; that he is not a member of, nor affiliated with, any organization entertaining and teaching such disbelief in, or opposition to, all organized governments; that he does not advocate nor teach the duty, necessity or propriety of the unlawful assaulting or killing of any officer or officers, either of specific individuals or of officers generally, of the government of the United States, nor of any other organized government, because of his or their official character; and that he, the said applicant, has not violated any of the provisions of Chapter 1012 of the laws of the 2nd session of the Congress of the United States, being an Act approved March 3d, 1903; and the affidavits of the said applicant and of his witnesses setting forth the above recited facts having been duly entered of record in this court, upon this his final application for naturalization.

IT IS THEREFORE, upon consideration of the premises, ORDERED and ADJUDGED that the said Edwin A. River be allowed to take the oath of allegiance to the United States of America and become a citizen thereof.

Whereupon the said Edwin A. River takes the oath of allegiance required by law and is admitted and adjudged to be a naturalized citizen of the United States of America.

DONE AND ORDERED at Chambers, in the City of Tampa, in said County of Hillsborough and State of Florida, this the 18th day of July, A. D., 1903
Storvick Judge.

Attest: W. L. Hawks Clerk.
By Chambers Deputy Clerk.