

Jacob Mermelstein's Passport Application

Courtesy of Ronnie Hess, USA

Jacob Mermelstein's application for a passport to return home to visit his parents, presumably with a photograph of his wife and child. Jacob Mermelstein was born in Beregkovesd on 13 April 1894, according to the application, immigrated in September 1912, sailing from Antwerp, and became a US citizen in 1921. He gave his address as 451 East Houston Street.

(My husband's father and grandparents lived across the street at 432, suggesting again the close proximity within which people of a particular village may have lived.)

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DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT.

Age 26 years Sex: Male
 Height: 5 feet 4 inches, Eng Color: Brown
 Features: High Hair: Brown
 Eyes: Brown Complexion: Fair
 Size: Medium Face: Round
 Distinguishing marks: _____

IDENTIFICATION.

I, Rosemary Harshy, solemnly swear that I am a (native born) citizen of the United States, that I reside at 400 E. 14th St. Brooklyn, N.Y. that I have known the above-named Jacob Mermelstein personally for 10 years and have known him to be _____ of the person referred to in the within-described certificate of naturalization; and that the facts stated in _____ affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Rosemary Harshy
Magistrate
400 E. 14th St. Brooklyn, N.Y.

Serves to believe me this _____ day
of 10 28 1922 1922

J. Harshy
Clerk of the _____ Court of _____

Applicant desires passport to be sent to the following address:
Miss Rosemary Harshy
400 E. 14th St.
Brooklyn, N.Y.

PHOTOGRAPH



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The original and each copy of an application for a passport must be attached to a copy of the applicant's photograph. I have signed photograph of my applicant and accompanied the application. The photographs given to me are true, should have a light background, and be not over three inches in size.

(Name of citizen, etc.)
FORM FOR NATURALIZED CITIZEN

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 STATE OF New York
 COUNTY OF New York

Jacob Mermelstein a Naturalized Citizen
MERMELSTEIN

I solemnly swear, hereby apply to the Department of State, at Washington, for a passport.

I solemnly swear that I was born at Bohynov, Czechoslovakia (Hungary) on April 13 1896 that my father, Jerome Mermelstein was born in Czechoslovakia and is now residing at Czechoslovakia; that I emigrated to the United States, sailing from Liverpool about Sept 24 1912; that I resided in _____ in the United States from 1912 to 1922 at New York City, N.Y.; that I was naturalized as a citizen of the United States by the _____ Court of County of New York, New York City, N.Y. on Oct 7 1921, as shown by the Certificate of Naturalization presented herewith; that I am the natural person described in said Certificate; that I have never since the United States since my naturalization at the following place (or places) _____

and that I am described in the United States, my permanent residence being 400 E. 14th St. N.Y. in the State of New York where I follow the occupation of Student

My last passport was obtained from _____ and was _____ I am about to go abroad temporarily, and intend to return to the United States within _____ with the purpose of residing and performing the duties of _____ and I want _____

I desire to receive the passport herewith for the following purpose:
Czechoslovakia to visit parents
Rosemary Harshy, Holy Well St. Belgium
Belgium to visit _____

I intend to leave the United States from the port of New York sailing on board the Olympic on April 1922.

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

Further, I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; to help me God.

Jacob Mermelstein

Serves to believe me this _____ day
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J. Harshy
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MAR 28 1922
 DEPT. OF STATE
 WASHINGTON, D.C.