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Mr. Lawrence F. Miwa
362 Riverside Drive
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Dear Mr. Miwa:

I hope that all things are going well with you at school and that you are finding your new residence on Riverside Drive to your liking.

By letter of 22 March 1955 the Office of Alien Property wrote me concerning our attempts to qualify you as successor-in-interest, and concluded by saying:

"In the absence of any indications to the contrary, these documents seem to establish adequately that Lawrence Fumio Miwa is the successor-in-interest to his father."

Although that conclusion is not as unequivocal as I might wish, I believe that, practically speaking, it suffices to dispose of the question of your status in this case.

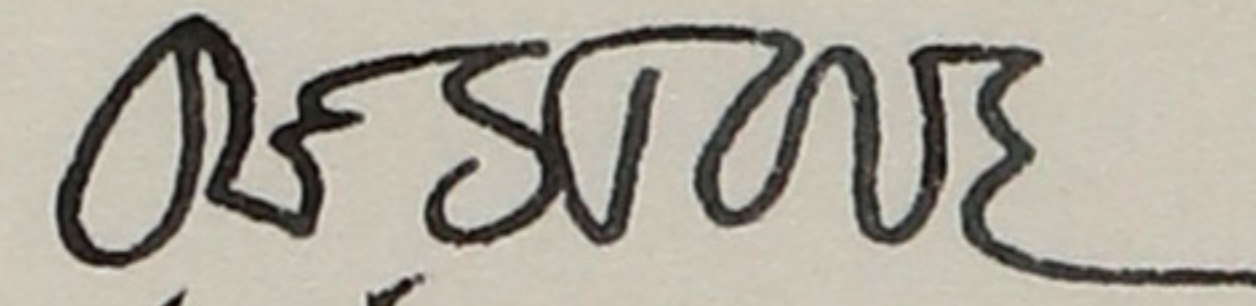
Friday I reviewed the file at the Office of Alien Property and, as a result of my conference, have written the Chief of the Claims Section a letter to make sure that we precisely establish the scope of your claim. Specifically this refers to the subject matter of three vesting orders which were not included in the statements of claim filed by your father. I shall keep you advised of significant developments.

It developed in my conference that the Office of Alien Property is concerned to get on with a disposition of the Nakata claim, and I was asked as to our position in that regard. I could only reply that this was the subject of correspondence between your family and Nakata, the results of which have not as yet reached me. Accordingly, it seems that we might do well to bring this issue to a head before too much more time passes. If your brother is getting nowhere in his rather subtle approaches to Nakata, and is making no headway along this line, perhaps we should pursue the matter more bluntly and directly. Since your future relations with Nakata are a factor in our handling of the problem it would appear that I might write Nakata directly, identifying myself

and my knowledge of his claim and asking him please to write me showing cause why I should not recommend that you file objections to the allowance thereof.

This should at least evoke a reply, and if it develops that Nakata resents the tenor of my letter, you can always disclaim such a vigorous approach, indicating that it was mine and not yours. In any event, I renew this matter to your attention because of the current interest of the Office of Alien Property in disposing of that claim.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "O. E. Stone". The signature is stylized with a large, looped "O" and a long, sweeping underline.

O. E. Stone

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