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Mr. Lawrence F. Miwa  
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Dear Mr. Miwa:

Thank you for your letters of 5 and 22 May and 23 July 1956. Since my last letter to you the official of the Office of Alien Property, who is immediately responsible for the handling of your case at this stage, has been out on sick leave and is still not fully recovered although he is back to work most of the time. This accounts for the extraordinary delays in your case.

This morning I conferred with him and found out that the hearing in your case will probably be set down in due course for sometime during October or November. Thus I suggest that you defer taking the second week of your vacation until you hear from me more definitely in this regard.

He plans to have certified as part of the record in your case the material portions of your father's file from the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Shortly before the hearing at an informal conference I shall be entitled to receive copies of the parts of that file which are certified for the Alien Property record, and at that time I shall be able to work out in more detail the main strategy of our presentation. However, in the meantime you may be interested to have some further information which I received in my conference this morning.

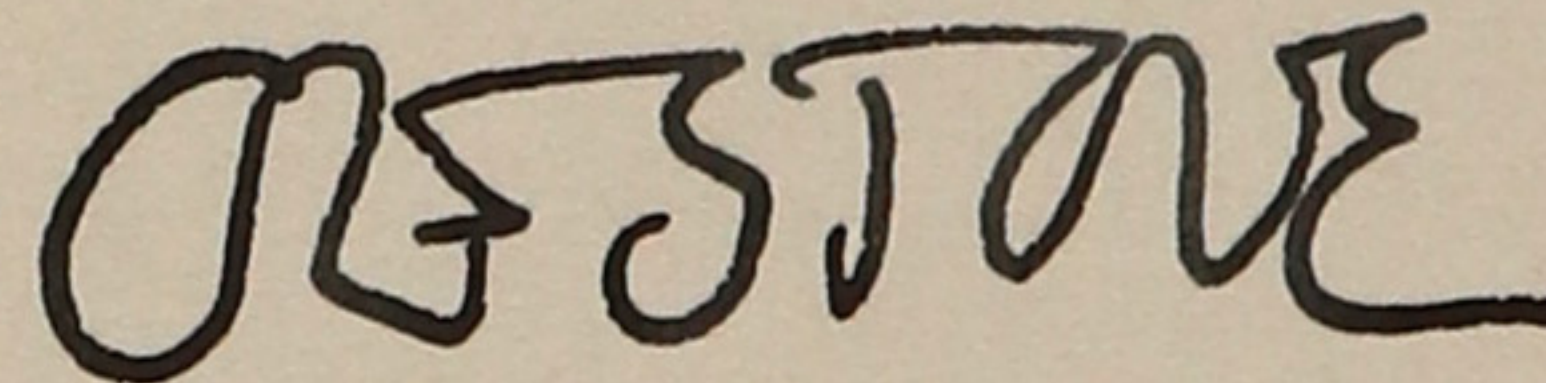
The file contains a Treasury Form 300 executed by your father and stating that he had resided in Japan since 1941. Also, there is a document which, I believe, your father executed at the time of his internment, which sets forth the total of his assets in Hawaii and in Japan. His claimed assets in the United States (including Hawaii) he valued at \$181,000.00, but his assets in Japan he valued at almost twice that much (including personalty of \$250,000.00, realty of \$100,000.00, and personal effects at \$10,000.00). The Office of Alien Property sees in this an additional indication that his real residence was Japan, where he had two-thirds of his assets, rather than in the United States.



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All these problems we shall have to consider when the proceedings in the case have moved along and it has been docketed for hearing. I shall keep you informed of developments. I hope you have a pleasant vacation in Canada and that before too long we can get together for the final hearing on the case.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "O. E. Stone". The letters are stylized and connected, with a prominent "O" and "E".

O. E. Stone

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