

John Riddle

Declaration of Intention
to become a Citizen
of U. S. A.

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Witness my hand & seal
this 22nd day of Sept 1840

29th Nov -

State of New Jersey }
County of Warren } ss. Be it Remembered
that at an Inferior Court of Common Pleas
holden at Belvidere in and for the said County of
Warren on this eighth day of September as yet of the
term of August in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and forty personally appeared
John Reidel a native of Prussia
before said Court and upon his solemn oath doth
depose and say that he is a native of Prussia
now residing in the said County
of Warren aged twenty five years or thereabouts
and that it is bona fide his intention to become a
Citizen of the United States and to renounce forever
all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince
potentate State or Sovereignty whatever and
particularly to Frederick William 4th King of Prussia
of whom he is now a Subject.

Sworn in open Court this
September 8th A.D. 1840

W. P. Johnson

John Reidel

To the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of
the County of Warren of November Term 1842.

The Petition of John Reidle a native of ~~Prussia~~
~~the Kingdom of Germany~~ respectfully sheweth that your
Petitioner arrived in the United States of America in the
year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty
seven in the Month of March, and that in pursuance of
an act of Congress, entitled "An act to establish an uni-
form rule of Naturalization, and to repeal the acts heretofore
passed on that subject, made a declaration of his intention
to become a citizen, conformably to the said act before
the Court of Common Pleas for the said County of Warren
on the 8th day of September AD 1840, a certificate
whereof is hereunto annexed, and that he has resided within
the limits, and under the jurisdiction of the United States
for five years last past, without being at any time during
the said five years, out of the Territory of the United States
and has resided for one year last past, within the State
of New Jersey; that he has never borne any hereditary
title, or been of any of the orders of nobility in the
Kingdom where he came, or elsewhere. He therefore
prays he may be admitted to become a citizen of the
United States of America.

Dated December 13th. 1842

John Reidle

State of New Jersey

Warren County, ss.

Henry Inga

a citizen of the United

States, being duly sworn

according to law, says that he is well acquainted with the above named petitioner, and that to his knowledge and belief, he has resided within the limits, and under the jurisdiction of the United States, for five years last past, and for one year last past, within the State of New Jersey; and has not at any time during the said five years been out of the Territory of the United States; that during the same period, he has behaved himself as a man of good moral character, attached to the principles of the United Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same

in open Court James H. Livingston

This 13th day of December

AD 1842 -

W. D. Robinson Judge

State of New Jersey

Warren County. I John Ruddle the above named Petitioner,
do on my solemn oath declare, that the contents of my
Petition are true; that I do support the Constitution of the
United States; that I do hereby renounce and relinquish
any title or order of nobility to which I am or hereafter may
be entitled; and that I do absolutely and entirely renounce
and aligne all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince
Sovereign State and Sovereignty whatever and particularly
to Frederick William 4th King of Prussia of whom
I was before a Subject.

Given and subscribed in open Court
this 13th day of December 1842

John Ruddle

Wm. O. Robertson
Judge

Be it remembered that at a Court of Common Pleas held at Belvidere in and for the County of Warren in the State of New Jersey, in the United States of America on the ^{thirteenth} day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two, John Peidley a native of Prussia exhibited a Petition praying to be admitted to become a citizen of the United States; and it appearing to the said Court that he had declared on oath before the said Court of Common Pleas of the said County of Warren, on the 8th day of September A.D. 1840. that it was bona fide his intention to become a Citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatsoever, and particularly off Frederick William 4th King of Prussia of whom he was at that time a subject; and the said John Peidley having on his solemn oath declared, and also made proof thereof by competent testimony of Henry Long a citizen of the United States that he had resided one year and upwards within the State of New Jersey, and within the United States of America, upwards of five years immediately preceding his application, and had not been at any time during the said five years out of the Territory of the United States; and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that during that time he had behaved as a man of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same; and having on his solemn oath before the said Court sworn that he would support the Constitution of the United States, and that he did absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign Prince Potentate, State and Sovereignty whatsoever and particularly to Frederick William 4th King of Prussia of whom he was before a subject; thereupon

the Court admitted the said John Scidell to be com. a citizen
of the United States, and order all the proceedings aforesaid to
be recorded by the clerk of said court -

W. C. Peterson Judge