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Press Release

Naturalization Records Available on Order Online! Beginning June 26, 2006

Beginning June 26, 2006 customers will be able to order copies of Naturalization Records from the National Archives using Order Online!, the National Archives' online ordering web site. Order Online! provides an easy and convenient method for customers to request reproductions of records and pay for orders with most major credit cards.

What is naturalization?

Naturalization is the process by which an alien becomes an American citizen. Naturalization records may provide a researcher with information such as a person's date and place of birth, occupation, immigration year, marital status and spouse information, witnesses' names and addresses, and more.

What are the benefits of Order Online!?

- Customers can order through the Internet 24 hours a day, 365 days a year using a web browser on any computer.
- “Smart forms” provide guidance for completing the online request.
- Customers may establish and manage an Order Online! personal account, storing their information for future orders and enabling them to check their order status online.

How do customers get to Order Online!?

Order Online! can be accessed by visiting <https://eservices.archives.gov/orderonline>

Additional Information:

Through September 26, 1906, information on the naturalization petitions was limited to names of the petitioner and sovereign to whom he is forswearing allegiance, and occasionally the petitioner's residence, occupation, date and country of birth, and port and date of arrival in this country. Starting on September 27, 1906, information includes name, residence, occupation, date and place of birth, citizenship, and personal description of applicant; date of emigration; ports of embarkation and arrival; marital status; names, dates, places of birth, and residence of applicant's spouse and children; date at which U.S. residence commenced; time of residence in state; name changes; and signature. Copies of declarations of intention and certificates of arrival are often interfiled with petitions. After 1930 declarations of intention may include the applicant's photograph.

Cost:

There is a \$10 charge per naturalization request and additional \$6 charge for certification.