

State of Wisconsin, }  
MILWAUKEE COUNTY. } SS.

*Friedrich Schmidt* personally appeared before the subscriber, the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County, being a Court of Record, and made Oath that he was born in *Schwartzburg in the Kingdom of Prussia* on or about the Year *eighteen* hundred and *thirty two* that he emigrated to the United States, and landed at the Port of *New York* on or about the month of *August* in the Year Eighteen Hundred and *fifty six* 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 *Fredrick William II King of Prussia* whereof he is a subject.

Subscribed and sworn to the *3<sup>d</sup>* day of *January* A. D. 1857  
*Friedrich Schmidt*  
*Matthew Keenan* Clerk!

STATE OF WISCONSIN, }  
CIRCUIT COURT, MILWAUKEE COUNTY. }

I, **MATTHEW KEENAN**, Clerk of said Circuit Court, do hereby certify, that I have compared the foregoing with a Record on file in my Office, that it is a correct transcript therefrom, and the whole thereof, as the same remains of Record in my Office.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said Court, this *3<sup>d</sup>* day of *January* A. D. 1857  
*Matthew Keenan* Clerk!

I, *Friedrich Schmidt* the above named petitioner, do, on my solemn oath, declare, that the contents of my petition are true; that I will 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 abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State and Sovereignty whatever, and particularly to *William I German Emperor* of whom I was before the subject.

Sworn in open Court, this *16<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* A. D. 1885  
*The Honorable* Clerk of the Municipal Court.  
*Friedrich Schmidt*

To the Honorable the Judge of the Municipal Court, County of Milwaukee, State of Wisconsin.

THE PETITION OF *Friedrich Schmidt* a native of *Germany* respectfully showeth, that your petitioner is about *fifty three* years of age; that he emigrated

and arrived in the United States of America, to wit: at the port of *New York* on the month of *August* A. D. 18*56*, and that, in pursuance of an act of Congress,

entitled "An Act to establish an uniform rule of Naturalisation, and to repeal the Acts heretofore passed on that subject", made a declaration of his intention to become a citizen, and a report and registry of his nativity, age, allegiance, emigration and arrival in the United States, conformably to the said Act, before the *Circuit* Court, for the

*County* of *Milwaukee State of Wisconsin* on the *3<sup>d</sup>* day of *November* A. D. 18*57*, 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 passed, and for one year last past within the State of Wisconsin; that he has never borne any hereditary title, or been of any of the orders of nobility in the kingdom whence he came or elsewhere. He therefore prays he may be admitted to become a citizen of the United States.

*Friedrich Schmidt*

*Wm Strubig*  
*Albin A. Wieber*

citizens of the United States, being duly sworn according to law, say, that they are well acquainted with the above named petitioner, and that, to their knowledge and belief, he has resided within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States for the five years last past, and for one year last past within the State of Wisconsin; that during the same period, he has behaved himself 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.

Sworn in open Court, this *16<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* A. D. 188*5*,

*Wm Strubig*

*Thos. Hunigans Esq*

Clerk of the Municipal Court.

*Albin A. Wieber*

I, *Friedrich Schmidt* the above named petitioner, do, on my solemn oath, declare, that the contents of my petition are true; that I will 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 abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State and Sovereignty whatever, and particularly to *William I. German Emperor* of whom I was before the subject.

Sworn in open Court, this *16<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* A. D. 188*5*,

*Friedrich Schmidt*

*Thos. Hunigans Esq*

Clerk of the Municipal Court.

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Friedrich Schmidt

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