

TO THE HONORABLE

The Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of <sup>Braver</sup> ~~St. Louis~~ County.

The Petition of *Frederick, Beitch*

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH, That your Petitioner is a native of *Hesse Darmstadt* and heretofore a subject of the *Grand Duke* ~~Hesse Darmstadt~~ that he has resided within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States of America five years, and within the State of Pennsylvania one year; and that two years prior to this application, that is to say, on the *Seventh* day of *July* in the year eighteen hundred and ~~eighty nine~~ your petitioner declared his intention to become a Citizen of the United States, in the manner required by law, as in and by the Certificate of *Prothonotary of Braver County* attached above.

appears. Your petitioner, therefore, prays that he may be admitted a citizen of the United States, upon his taking the oaths and producing the testimony required by law; and he will pray, &c.

*Frederick Beitch*

I, *Frederick Beitch* do swear that the facts set forth in this, my petition are true; that I will support the Constitution of the United States; I do absolutely and entirely renounce and forever abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, State or Sovereignty whatever; and particularly I do hereby renounce and abjure forever all allegiance and fidelity to the *Duke of Hesse Darmstadt* of whom I was heretofore a subject. Sworn and subscribed in open Court, this } day of *Sept* 1872 }

*Frederick Beitch*

I, *Adam Bert* a citizen of the United States, do swear that the Petitioner, *Frederick Beitch* has resided within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States of America five years last past, and within the State of Pennsylvania one year, to wit: in *Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania one year & 1/2* and in *St. Clair Brighton, Braver County Pennsylvania six years and six months*

which place is within and under the Constitution of the United States; and that during his residence within the United States he has behaved us a man of good moral character, attached to the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same.

Sworn and Subscribed in open Court, this } day of *Sept* 1872 }

*Adam Bert*

*John Campbell*