To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Beaver

The petition of Alfred Dewhirst a native of England respectfully showeth: That he declared on oath before the Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Beaver on the eighth day of September A.D. 1868 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 whatever and particularly to the Queen of Great Britain & Ireland of whom he was at that time a subject: that your petitioner has resided within the United States upwards of five years and in the state of Pennsylvania one year, both periods immediately preceding this his application to become a citizen of the United States; and that he has never borne any hereditary title or been of any of the orders of nobility in his own or any other country. He therefore prays that on his making the proof and taking the oath prescribed by law he may be admitted a citizen of the United States of America. And he will ever pray &c.

Alfred Dewhirst