

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF WYOMING

In the Matter of the
Naturalization and
Granting of United States
Citizenship to
FILIBERTO RUIZ RUIZ,
MIGUEL OLIVAREZ,
GERARDO ESCARSEGA ORTIZ,
JIANGHONG MITTON,
OPHET SENGCHANH,
DOUGLAS GRANT WOOKEY,
ADRIANA MARIA PEREZ SMITH,

JANUARY 9, 2012
3:30 P.M. - 4:24 P.M.

EWING T. KERR
FEDERAL COURTHOUSE

CASPER, WYOMING

Petitioners.

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING ON PETITIONS FOR
UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND NATURALIZATION CEREMONY
BEFORE THE HONORABLE SCOTT W. SKAVDAHL
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

APPEARANCES:

For the Government:

David Kubichek
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
P.O. Box 22211
Casper, Wyoming 82602

Reported By:

Jamie L. Hendrich, CSR-RPR-CRR
Official U.S. Court Reporter
U.S. District Courthouse
111 South Wolcott, Room 217
Casper, Wyoming 82601
(307) 265-5280

1 **(The proceedings commence at 3:30 p.m.)**

2 **THE CLERK:** Hear ye, hear ye, hear ye. The
3 United States District Court for the District of Wyoming is now
4 in session, the Honorable Scott W. Skavdahl, Judge, presiding.
5 God save the United States and this Honorable Court.

6 **THE COURT:** Thank you, ladies and gentlemen of the
7 jury. Welcome to the Ewing T. Kerr Federal Courthouse for this
8 naturalization ceremony. The Court will suspend the local
9 rules on cameras and recording devices. I would ask, however,
10 that if you have a cell phone or a Smartphone, if you would
11 turn the Smartphone to "off" or turn it to "silent."

12 The United States District Court for the District of
13 Wyoming is in special session for the naturalization of foreign
14 nationals to be United States citizens. It is with great
15 honor, pride and privilege that I am able to conduct this
16 ceremony today, inducting seven new United States citizens.

17 The federal district court for Wyoming, including
18 Chief Judge Freudenthal, Judge Johnson and Judge Brimmer,
19 extend their congratulations to you and your families and
20 friends.

21 At this time, I would recognize Mr. Kubichek,
22 representing the Attorney General of the United States,
23 Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Wyoming,
24 for his petition.

25 **MR. KUBICHEK:** Thank you, Your Honor, and may it

1 please the Court.

2 **THE COURT:** Counsel.

3 **MR. KUBICHEK:** The United States today will be moving
4 the admission of the following petitioners to citizenship:
5 Filiberto Ruiz Ruiz of Mexico; Miguel Olivarez from Mexico;
6 Gerardo Escarsega Ortiz from Mexico; Jianghong Mitton from the
7 People's Republic of China; Ophet Sengchanh of Laos; Douglas
8 Grant Wookey from Canada; and Adriana Maria Perez Smith from
9 Venezuela.

10 Your Honor, each of these petitioners is before the
11 Court for a hearing on their petition for naturalization. Each
12 has been interviewed and examined under oath by a designated
13 examiner of the Citizenship and Immigration Service who has
14 completed their character and background investigations.

15 The Citizenship and Immigration Service indicates in
16 their correspondence that the petitioners have each met all the
17 requirements for naturalization and are well qualified as
18 desirable candidates for United States citizenship. Therefore,
19 Your Honor, on the recommendation of the immigration officer,
20 it is my privilege to move that each of them be admitted to
21 United States citizenship upon taking the requisite oath.

22 **THE COURT:** Thank you, Mr. Kubichek.

23 **MR. KUBICHEK:** Thank you, Your Honor.

24 **THE COURT:** The petition of the United States -- the
25 Court grants the motion and grants the order, allowing these

1 petitioners to become citizens of the United States. The Court
2 would ask that these individuals stand when their name is
3 called, and I would ask for the clerk to call the roll of
4 citizens.

5 **THE CLERK:** Gerardo Escarsega Ortiz. Miguel Olivarez.
6 Ophet Sengchanh. Douglas Grant Wookey. Filiberto Ruiz Ruiz.
7 Jianghong Mitton. Adriana Maria Perez Smith.

8 **THE COURT:** All right. Thank you. Congratulations.
9 You may be seated.

10 At this time, I would ask the Natrona County
11 High School Color Guard, Colonel Schmotzer, to post the colors.

12 Please rise.

13 (Presentation of colors by NCHS JROTC Color Guard.)

14 **THE COURT:** Fellow citizens, it is your obligation and
15 ours to show our allegiance to this country at this time by
16 making our pledge of allegiance and then remain standing for
17 the playing of our national anthem. Would you please join me
18 in the pledge of allegiance.

19 (Pledge of Allegiance of the United States recited;
20 Star-Spangled Banner played.)

21 **THE COURT:** Thank you.

22 (Colors retired.)

23 **THE COURT:** Thank you, Colonel Schmotzer, and the
24 Color Guard.

25 At this time, the remainder of you may be seated. I

1 will administer the oath to our new citizens.

2 If you'd please raise your right hand and face me.

3 I hereby declare on oath --

4 **THE PETITIONERS:** I hereby declare on oath --

5 **THE COURT:** -- that I absolutely and entirely --

6 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- that I absolutely and entirely --

7 **THE COURT:** -- renounce and abjure --

8 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- renounce and abjure --

9 **THE COURT:** -- all allegiance and fidelity --

10 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- all allegiance and fidelity --

11 **THE COURT:** -- to any foreign prince or potentate --

12 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- to any foreign prince or

13 potentate --

14 **THE COURT:** -- state or sovereignty --

15 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- state or sovereignty --

16 **THE COURT:** -- of whom or which I have --

17 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- of whom or which I have --

18 **THE COURT:** -- heretofore been a subject or citizen;

19 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- heretofore been a subject or

20 citizen;

21 **THE COURT:** That I will support and defend --

22 **THE PETITIONERS:** That I will support and defend --

23 **THE COURT:** -- the Constitution and laws of the

24 United States of America --

25 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- the Constitution and the laws of

1 the United States of America --

2 **THE COURT:** -- against all enemies, foreign and
3 domestic;

4 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- against all enemies, foreign and
5 domestic;

6 **THE COURT:** That I will bear true faith and allegiance
7 to the same --

8 **THE PETITIONERS:** That I will bear true faith and
9 allegiance to the same --

10 **THE COURT:** -- when required by the law;

11 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- when required by the law;

12 **THE COURT:** That I will perform non-combat service --

13 **THE PETITIONERS:** That I will perform non-combat
14 service --

15 **THE COURT:** -- in the Armed Forces of the
16 United States --

17 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- in the Armed Forces of the
18 United States --

19 **THE COURT:** -- when required by the law;

20 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- when required by the law;

21 **THE COURT:** That I will perform work of national
22 importance --

23 **THE PETITIONERS:** That I will perform work of national
24 importance --

25 **THE COURT:** -- under civilian direction when required

1 by law;

2 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- under civilian direction when
3 required by law;

4 **THE COURT:** And that I take this obligation freely --

5 **THE PETITIONERS:** That I take this obligation
6 freely --

7 **THE COURT:** -- without any mental reservation --

8 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- without any mental reservation --

9 **THE COURT:** -- or purpose of evasion.

10 **THE PETITIONERS:** -- or purpose of evasion.

11 **THE COURT:** So help me God.

12 **THE PETITIONERS:** So help me God.

13 **THE COURT:** Congratulations.

14 **THE PETITIONERS:** Thank you.

15 **THE COURT:** At this time, we will present the
16 certificates of citizenship. Please join me in welcoming our
17 newest citizens.

18 (Applause)

19 (Certificates presented and shaking of hands of the new
20 citizens by the Court and the clerk.)

21 **THE COURT:** At this time, please be seated.

22 First and foremost, we would have a message from the
23 President of the United States.

24 (President Obama addresses the new citizens via videotape.)

25 **THE COURT:** I always want to make sure I don't

1 mis-anticipate the music.

2 (Laughter)

3 **THE COURT:** All right. I would recognize our
4 congressional delegation of Congresswoman Lummis,
5 Senators Barrasso and Enzi. I believe there are
6 representatives of their office that may have some
7 presentations to make to our new U.S. citizens.

8 (Packets presented to the new citizens by the congressional
9 and senatorial representatives.)

10 **THE COURT:** Thank you. Please be seated.

11 Thank you. At this time I would also recognize
12 various patriotic organizations and Mr. Lowe.

13 (Mr. Lowe salutes the American Flag.)

14 **MR. LOWE:** May it please the Court.

15 **THE COURT:** Counsel.

16 **MR. LOWE:** On behalf of the veterans of our community
17 and our state and nation, we are happy to welcome you as part
18 of our American family. It's a great honor to know that people
19 still want to come to America instead of going to the countries
20 from which you came, and this tells us a strong message about
21 the greatness of America and its continuation as a world
22 leader. So we congratulate you on this.

23 I'd like to visit with you today about the veterans.
24 You hear a lot about veterans because we're getting so many of
25 them. There was a time when we didn't always call up our

1 National Guard in wars like in Vietnam and so on. Therefore,
2 the National Guard didn't have the exposure to overseas duty
3 and responsibility in time of war which would qualify them to
4 be called a full-fledged veteran, although they certainly were
5 in the fact that they served our country.

6 But what is a veteran? Well, by law it is defined as
7 someone who has served during a conflict in which the country
8 is engaged; and by virtue of this, that entitles them to
9 membership in veterans organizations. The VFW is a little more
10 exclusive in that they require that you be overseas in the area
11 of conflict whereas the other veterans organizations are not
12 quite so restrictive in their membership. While most of us in
13 the American Legion are persons who have served overseas, still
14 it isn't required for membership in the American Legion, for
15 example.

16 There are a total of some 40 different veterans
17 organizations in the country. They even have a Jewish veterans
18 organization and that sort of thing. You'll find this is very
19 common to have groups like that that are sort of separate and
20 distinct; but the national ones, of course, are the
21 American Legion, the largest; the VFW, the next; and then there
22 are others besides like Ambes, but they aren't as large as
23 either of those two organizations.

24 Now, what do the veterans do? Well, mostly they're
25 involved, of course, in supporting veterans and supporting the

1 families of veterans in time of war. They are also engaged in
2 supporting legislation for veterans in order to carry out the
3 promise made by our government when we enlisted and when we
4 were drafted to be entitled to benefits and see to it that
5 those benefits are received.

6 The veterans organizations maintain what they call
7 "service officers" who see to it that the veterans who need the
8 help healthwise or whatever they need can get them. They have
9 several privileges accorded them by law. They have special
10 loans, for example, in buying a home. They have scholarships
11 to go to college; and they have, of course, healthcare which is
12 the big item, plus, of course, burial rights when they pass
13 away.

14 Now, in the community, the organizations vary in what
15 they do. Both the VFW and the American Legion have oratorical
16 contests, and this trains young people in the skill of public
17 speaking and being able to stand up before a group and to speak
18 and do it effectively so as to get across the thoughts and
19 messages they have.

20 The American Legion is entitled -- their program is
21 entirely devoted to a discussion of the Constitution of the
22 United States. Also, the American Legion has Boys State, and
23 the auxiliary of the American Legion has Girls State. This is
24 a program where these kids, in the summertime, go over to
25 Worland and -- or not Worland but go over here to the town to

1 the east, Douglas; and the boys go there, and the girls usually
2 meet up in the bowl -- in the basin country up north, up at
3 around Cody, in that area; and they have an experience in
4 government, and they end up down in Cheyenne. They go in and
5 take over the governor's office for a day and the legislature
6 and that sort of thing so as to get their idea of what
7 government is all about and how it functions and where it
8 functions.

9 Then they have the high school rodeo that the
10 American Legion -- in fact, this is the only American Legion
11 here in the United States that has a high school rodeo program.
12 The American Legion also has baseball. This is where about
13 40 percent of the Major League players come from. They get
14 their initial training in the American Legion baseball program.

15 Also they have a youth rifle training program,
16 shooting rifles, so as to do it safely and not endanger
17 themselves as well as others. And then, of course, many of the
18 posts individually sponsor Boy Scout troops which is another
19 activity.

20 Now, patriotic programs, these programs here in
21 Natrona County, are conducted by the Natrona County
22 United States Veterans Council. Now, this is a group -- this
23 is an organization in which all veterans organizations belong
24 and participate through, this United Veterans Council; and the
25 principal holidays that the United Veterans Council conduct

1 are, of course, Memorial Day in May. That's when we go to the
2 cemetery for those who have passed on and particularly to honor
3 those who died in service of our country. Then on Flag Day.
4 That's in June and all these things are advertised in the press
5 for you to watch for so that you can come out and participate
6 in these programs.

7 Patriot Day, of course, remembers the attack on
8 September 11th which is the second time that we've been
9 attacked as a nation since we became a nation, following
10 Britain's attack on us in the 1812 War, and then came the
11 September 11th event of which we're all acquainted.

12 And then comes Veterans Day on November 11th. This
13 used to be called "Armistice Day" because that was the day that
14 ended World War I; but since that honors veterans generally who
15 have served and are serving yet, they naturally have changed
16 the name, and so the name now is called "Veterans Day." Now,
17 some posts also observe the 4th of July, and they do that by
18 having ceremonies or at least having a picnic or a dinner or
19 something like that for their members. So that goes on.

20 Now, I should tell you that another day that we
21 observe is Pearl Harbor Day; and Pearl Harbor comes, of course,
22 December the 7th every year. That's the date that Japan
23 attacked our fleet in Pearl Harbor and sank many of our ships,
24 killing many of our sailors at that time, and that's what
25 launched us into World War II, a war that many Americans didn't

1 think would be necessary because during World War I
2 President Wilson said that we were fighting the war to end all
3 wars.

4 Well, I don't think President Wilson was thinking too
5 clearly that day because we all know that as long as America is
6 what it is and people like you want to come to it and be part
7 of us, we know that people are going to want to take what we
8 have away if they can or if they can't take it away, that
9 they're going to destroy us, and we have a lot of Muslims
10 running around today that think that they can do that.

11 So anyway that's basically some of the things that I
12 think you should be aware of. I urge you to come out for these
13 events and participate in them and be a part of us now and
14 share the opportunities we have to remember our country and
15 those who have served.

16 As the judge has told you today, we've given a lot of
17 lives again. A lot of American blood has been spilled in this
18 war on terror and continues to be spilled and probably will
19 continue for some time. We all knew that when it started the
20 terrorists said they wouldn't give up; and, of course, we're
21 not about to give up. So consequently this thing is going to
22 go on and on and on.

23 Now, what can you do personally so as to have a part
24 in this? First of all, I want to urge you when you see
25 soldiers -- and I don't know care whether they're in overseas

1 service or whether they're serving right here at the armory out
2 here with the National Guard. Anybody in uniform, when you see
3 them, go up to them, shake their hand and thank them for what
4 they're doing for our country. Don't be shy about it. Don't
5 even bother worrying about interrupting them if they're
6 talking. They are most appreciative of that show and that
7 courtesy that you do when you come up to shake their hands and
8 to thank them for their service.

9 Another thing you can do if you like is you can send
10 packages of things over to the troops. Now, I just learned
11 that we have deployed now another group of troops overseas. We
12 have -- these are all Army National Guard or Air National
13 Guard. We have both Army and Air National Guard here in
14 Wyoming which isn't always true in all states, but we have both
15 here. Now, the Army has something like 20 to 30 that are
16 deployed overseas today, and the Air Force has just recently
17 deployed a number somewhere between 40 and 60. I don't have
18 the exact figures on these, but that's roughly the number that
19 there are.

20 Now, how do you do this? Well, of course, the best
21 bet is to look in the telephone directory for my name,
22 R. Stanley Lowe, and get my telephone number, 265-1585, and
23 call me, but let me tell you how this works. We have here in
24 town for this district -- we have the headquarters of the
25 Family Support Group. The Family Support Group now is an

1 organization that not only takes your donations or your
2 packages if you have them for the troops, but they also will
3 take any of your contributions that you might want to make to
4 help the families of our troops.

5 Now, I think you realize that a lot of these troops
6 today are married. That wasn't true when I was in
7 World War II. Most of us were single. We were teenagers and
8 so consequently we didn't have a military of 14 million of us
9 that were married and that sort of thing; but most of the
10 troops that are serving overseas today are married, and they
11 have families here at home that are "maintaining the home fire"
12 so to speak until daddy gets back or when mother gets back from
13 overseas duty; and so in that regard, the Family Support Group
14 here will be very happy to assist you in anything you want to
15 do to help the families or to help the troops; and if you do
16 have the name and address of some friend or relative or perhaps
17 a relative of some of your friends and you get the name and
18 address of that soldier or sailor or airman or whatever or
19 Marine and you want to send something over, the post office now
20 has a flat rate, and they have a box that you pick up at the
21 post office, and all the stuff that you can put in that box
22 goes to the person that you're sending it to at the same rate,
23 regardless of the weight, and you get a discount on that
24 besides. I think it's something like a two-dollar discount or
25 something. You'll have to ask the post office about that more

1 specifically, but that's something that you might want to do,
2 and you might want to consider that.

3 The person here, Daniela Hamilton, is the person who
4 handles the Family Support Group here locally, and then we have
5 Debbie Russell in Cheyenne who is statewide, and so she can
6 handle packages going to soldiers or sailors or Marines or what
7 have you from Laramie or Jackson or from anyplace in the state;
8 and I should tell you that this Family Support Group not only
9 takes care of donations to the troops that are in the
10 National Guard, but it takes care of donations to troops and
11 their families in any service, whether it's the Navy or the
12 Army or the Air Force or Coast Guard or whatever, and so you
13 can make your donations.

14 Now, let me tell you about another program that's been
15 very popular, and this is what we call the "Welcome Home
16 Troops" thing. Now, let me explain how that works. This is a
17 program designed to have a group of people here at home at the
18 airport to welcome home any of the soldiers and sailors and
19 Marines, airmen and so on that are coming home on leave or
20 coming home when they are discharged from the service; and so
21 we try to get a group out there to the airport so as to welcome
22 them home.

23 Now, I have to tell you it's great fun because there's
24 a lot of happiness and people are very happy about seeing the
25 troops come home. We also see people off when they go back to

1 duty after they've been home on leave, and so we go out there,
2 and we see them off, and I think that's where they're probably
3 just as appreciative, if not perhaps more, at the prospect of
4 leaving as they were when they came home when everybody was
5 quite happy about seeing them coming home.

6 So we have flags but bring your own flags if you like
7 so as to have a lot of flags out there at the time. We try to
8 get this in the paper if people give us advance notice. If you
9 ever know of any friend or youngster or friend or something or
10 a person who -- anybody that's in the service who's connected
11 with your friends or your relatives or anything like that, why,
12 let us know, call me, and that's fine, and we'll set this up.

13 We will need to know, though, in time, as early as you
14 can get it, the day that they're coming and the time that you
15 expect them to arrive and, if possible, the flight number of
16 the plane they are coming in on, and so that is quite
17 important.

18 Now, I have to tell you that there are so many other
19 side rewards of this sort of thing. Now, we have a family here
20 now who's very much a part of our community, Dan and Emily
21 White. Dan was in the Marine Corps. He first served in Kosovo
22 and over in the Balkans there in Europe. Then he ended up in
23 Afghanistan, and he was in charge of training an Afghan
24 military unit. He was embedded with them; that is, they all
25 lived together, and so they had an opportunity to talk about

1 this training when they're sitting around in the evening after
2 they were out active and that sort of thing, and they talk
3 about how to best improve their tactics in dealing with the
4 enemy.

5 Then he would take his men out when they had been
6 trained sufficiently, and they'd go out into the areas where
7 they knew the Taliban, the name of the enemy they're fighting
8 there in Afghanistan -- where they knew they were, but he tells
9 us about one episode -- and, of course, they had several
10 episodes, but one that I've always found interesting was they
11 were driving along with their trucks with the Afghan troops in
12 the back, of course, and they started drawing fire from the
13 Taliban. They were up on a ridge, and so he had the truck
14 stopped, and he got the troops out, and they returned the fire
15 on the Taliban, and he ordered the charge, and he led the
16 charge. They ran up the hill; and as they ran up the hill, the
17 Taliban's eyes just got as big as saucers. They threw down
18 their rifles, and they started to run. Well, the Afghan troops
19 that he had trained chased them down and killed them all, and
20 so this is the way the Afghan troops take care of the situation
21 in matters of that sort.

22 Now, his wife Emily is a nurse now. She was with the
23 hospital in San Diego as a hospitalman, and she was there
24 treating the troops and the sailors and Marines and so on that
25 came into that hospital, and so she had quite a bit of

1 experience; but when she -- they met there in San Diego, by the
2 way, and were married there; but when they came home -- I
3 should explain to you that the military now has a policy that
4 when a couple are in service -- and they naturally prefer to be
5 in an area -- when they're deployed overseas, they like to be
6 in the same general area.

7 So in this case the decision was made to deploy them
8 to Okinawa. That's an island, as you know, south of Japan and
9 just off the coast of China. That was the last island I was in
10 toward the end of World War II, and this is where the last big
11 battle was fought. That was the major landing for a major
12 military operation was landing in Okinawa because the Japanese
13 were defending that a great deal because it put our airplanes
14 in close range to bomb Japan, you see.

15 So anyway, they were in Okinawa, and Emily was over
16 there at the hospital, Navy hospital; and, of course, Dan was
17 with the Marine Corps unit which was there, and so they got to
18 see each other that way, and that was a very nice arrangement.

19 Well, Emily came home first, and in the meantime,
20 while she was gone, her parents moved here from Minnesota, and
21 so they made this their home, and so she came here and waited
22 for him, and Dan came home about -- a few months later, and so
23 by then they got in touch with me. We had some people out at
24 the airport to meet Dan. We would have done it for Emily, but
25 we didn't know she was coming. Anyway, we went out there, and

1 here came Dan home, and he was very impressed and, in fact,
2 Emily's family was rather impressed with the hospitality shown
3 them here, and so they've settled in here, too.

4 She went to Casper College and took her nursing
5 training school, and she's a full-fledged nurse now out here at
6 the Wyoming medical hospital and downtown here, and they have a
7 new young man, a new baby, Nolan Thomas, and I was hoping Emily
8 could be here today, but Nolan Thomas had to have shots today.
9 So consequently she wasn't able to come and neither could Nolan
10 Thomas. But anyway, Dan is here.

11 Dan, would you stand, please, and be recognized here.

12 (Applause)

13 **MR. LOWE:** And, Dan, why don't you come up here and
14 sit with the veterans, would you, please.

15 I apologize to Dan back there.

16 (Dan White comes forward.)

17 **MR. LOWE:** Yeah, by the Reverend, yeah. Why don't you
18 sit here.

19 So this just tells you now a little something. This
20 gives you an idea of what some of our troops have been going
21 through over there in Afghanistan, in Iraq and those countries
22 like that.

23 So with that, I just wanted to tell you again how
24 pleased we are to have you part of our American family and to
25 ask you once again to participate with us in observing the

1 holidays, our patriotic holidays for this country, and show
2 your gratitude and appreciation to our troops and their
3 families. Thank you very much.

4 (Applause as Mr. Lowe salutes the America Flag.)

5 **THE COURT:** Thank you, Mr. Lowe.

6 There are also some other patriotic organizations that
7 are here today. I'd recognize the Daughters of the American
8 Revolution: Ms. Margo Everett, Susan Haines, Sue Haines, Betty
9 Gosar and Jackie Carrico. Did I say that name correctly?

10 **MS. CARRICO:** Yes, sir.

11 **THE COURT:** All right. I believe that they may have
12 something they wish to present today. And, ladies, if you
13 would be so kind as to do so.

14 (Gifts presented to the petitioners by the Daughters of
15 American Revolution.)

16 **THE COURT:** Thank you, ladies.

17 I believe, Mr. Johnson, you and the American Legion
18 have some flags that you intend to present. Is that correct?

19 (Mr. Cohee saluting the American Flag.)

20 **MR. COHEE:** Gary Cohee, United Veterans, also
21 representing the American Legion.

22 **THE COURT:** All right. Mr. Cohee, I apologize. I had
23 "Ken Johnson."

24 **MR. COHEE:** These flags are from the American Legion.

25 (Flags presented by Mr. Cohee to the petitioners who stand

1 to received them.)

2 **THE COURT:** Thank you. Please be seated.

3 Thank you, Mr. Cohee.

4 **MR. COHEE:** Thank you, sir.

5 **THE COURT:** I believe as well that Reverend Robinson,
6 Leonard Robinson of the Disabled Veterans -- I recognize you,
7 sir.

8 **REVEREND ROBINSON:** I apologize, sir. I didn't hear
9 what Mr. Lowe was saying a little while ago. So I apologize to
10 the Court for that.

11 **THE COURT:** No apologies necessary.

12 **MR. ROBINSON:** I also represent the Disabled American
13 Veterans which is also a part of the United Veterans Council,
14 and I have a little token to these that are being naturalized
15 today. We have a pin of the State of Wyoming.

16 (Pins presented by Reverend Robinson to the new citizens
17 who stand to receive them.)

18 **THE COURT:** Thank you. Please be seated.

19 Thank you, Reverend.

20 I would also recognize Mr. Johnson who is seated over
21 here next to Reverend Robinson.

22 At this time, I would recognize Mr. Kubichek on behalf
23 of the Attorney General of the United States for remarks.

24 **MR. KUBICHEK:** May it please the Court.

25 **THE COURT:** Counsel.

1 **MR. KUBICHEK:** Ladies and gentlemen, welcome. This is
2 a large pleasure and privilege for me to be able to be with you
3 today and, on behalf of the Attorney General of the
4 United States and the President, to welcome you officially as
5 members of our American family.

6 It wasn't easy, I know; and, you know, one of the
7 things that saddens me on these occasions is that I know to a
8 moral certainty each of you has an amazing story to tell us
9 about how it is you are here with us today; and I should love
10 to hear those stories, how do you get here from Laos or from
11 Argentina or from China, Mexico. It fascinates me and it's not
12 easy, you know. I know it's not easy. It takes commitment, it
13 takes study, it takes effort, all of that, to join us.

14 Now, most of us here, Judge Skavdahl, me, we didn't
15 have to do any work. We just drew the lucky card. We got born
16 here; and if you're born here, you're automatically a citizen.
17 Anybody can do that pretty much, just a matter of luck. But
18 you all made a commitment. You came here. You came here
19 legally. You went through a difficult process, answered
20 questions about yourself. You disclosed all there was to
21 disclose about yourself. You had to learn about our country.
22 You had to take a test. I didn't have to take a test. He
23 didn't have to take a test.

24 (Laughter)

25 **MR. KUBICHEK:** We just got signed up. You guys had

1 to pass a test, and then you had to be ultimately approved by
2 this dude that I referred to earlier who's the immigration
3 officer, and all of that had to happen before you get to come
4 here today and be with us and sign up, and that's what you did.
5 You signed up today, and suddenly you became my boss and became
6 his boss because, see, one of the things that's different about
7 our country and certainly historically many other countries in
8 the world is government works for you, and we are a government
9 of laws, not a government of people.

10 And are we fallible? Do we make mistakes? Yes, we
11 do; but when we began our little adventure back in 1776, our
12 founders determined that the only way that a country could
13 exist here with, even back then, so many different kinds of
14 people and religions and the like was that we went forward
15 based on an agreement, and that's what our Constitution is.
16 It's an agreement between all of the original 13 states and the
17 people who lived in them that hence forward we would be
18 governed by certain principles; that as citizens we would enjoy
19 certain rights and liberties, and we would also be responsible
20 for certain kinds of obligations and responsibilities.

21 Now, that hasn't been easy. You know, we are a
22 235/36-year-old experiment that so far is still going, but it
23 hasn't been easy. You know, we started in a revolution. We
24 had to secure our freedom from the British. We had an initial
25 try at a constitution called the "Articles of Confederation."

1 Total bust. Didn't work at all. So then in 1787, a bunch of
2 really smart and amazing people came together in Philadelphia
3 and decided what we need to do is form a real constitution that
4 binds us all together as Americans, and they did. In a sweaty,
5 hot, humid, disease-ridden town back then, these guys worked
6 day and night, and they came up with the biggest chunk of that
7 document you all had to commit to memory and study in order to
8 become citizens.

9 Since they did that, we had a civil war in 1864 which
10 almost tore us completely apart, but we were lucky. We had, at
11 the time, an amazing man as our leader, Abraham Lincoln, who
12 said, "There is one thing that I will not do. I took an oath
13 to support and defend the Constitution and maintain this Union,
14 and that I will do." And that he did, but he recognized -- he
15 made perhaps the most famous speech in all of American history
16 at the Battlefield of Gettysburg in 1863 which is after the
17 battle concluded. Ten of thousands of Americans, clearly
18 falling on both sides of the question, died; and Lincoln posed
19 a question. He said, "You know, this country, since its
20 founding" -- at the time, "four score and seven years ago" --
21 you've all probably heard that. We know we were a country
22 founded on a set of shared principles and ideals.

23 But the question that remains is: Can a nation
24 founded, based solely on shared understandings and commitments
25 to each other, a "social contract," if you will, not on shared

1 ethnicity -- I mean, look at yourselves. You're from all over
2 the place. I'm from all over the place. I'm a mongrel from
3 Czechoslovakia and God knows where else, Austria, you know.

4 (Laughter)

5 **MR. KUBICHEK:** We're from all over the place. So
6 we're not a homogeneous society where everybody kind of looks
7 the same, thinks the same and all of that. We had to come
8 together. We had to sacrifice. We had to be able to say,
9 "Okay. I'm going to give up some of this to get some of this."
10 We made agreements. The question is: Can we survive based
11 only on those shared principles?

12 Well, we survived the Civil War, and we became
13 stronger because out of that conflict we recognized, "Look,
14 America can't just be for White people or it doesn't work, and
15 ultimately it will collapse upon itself." In the Civil Rights
16 movement in the 1950s and '60s, we had to revisit that
17 question: Can you treat people of different races and
18 different religions/ethnicities as inferior citizens? And in a
19 lot of countries in the world, that is so. Come from a
20 different cast, for example, in India, you don't have the same
21 status.

22 The question was: In America can we survive and treat
23 each other that way? The answer ultimately was "no." And did
24 we make progress? We did. We made progress in the '60s and
25 '70s. And whether you liked him or not misses the point; but

1 to show how much progress we made, we elected a mixed-race,
2 part Black/part Polynesian guy to be President. We elected him
3 to be President. That is a remarkable thing.

4 And the person who was most competitive against him to
5 run the nomination of the Democratic Party was a woman; and
6 Senator John McCain who was running for the presidency for the
7 Republicans had a woman as his vice presidential candidate. So
8 are we perfect? Heck no, heck no. But we are moving, I hope,
9 in the right direction in terms of learning to keep the
10 promises we make in our Constitution, and that's the best we
11 can hope for; and why we're go glad you're here is because you
12 will help us keep those promises.

13 It is so good for us to incorporate new people from
14 different cultures into our melting pot. It makes us richer.
15 It makes us more diverse. It makes us ultimately stronger.
16 You bring so much to the table. So when you join us -- have
17 joined us as Americans, don't forget where you came from and
18 the culture you came from or cook some of the foods where you
19 came from. We love that, you know.

20 (Laughter)

21 **MR. KUBICHEK:** Keep some of that because pieces of
22 that are what contribute to make us the country that we are.
23 We're not all going to look the same ever, you know, not all
24 going to go to the same church or any church necessarily, but
25 we're all going to agree on one thing: That we are Americans.

1 We love America. We believe in its promise. We believe in our
2 responsibilities to it which you have now, too. You not only
3 have inherited all these new rights, but you have
4 responsibility. You have to vote. You have to understand your
5 right to speak and to assemble; and the counterpart of that
6 right is you have to understand that you have an obligation to
7 listen and that you not interfere with any other citizens'
8 rights to express themselves.

9 That's all very hard. It's easy to talk about in the
10 theoretical; but on the day-to-day "walking the walk" sort of
11 thing it's not always easy, but to be a good American you have
12 to do that. You're going to have to -- and it's wonderful that
13 we gather here in this special, sacred place to me because if
14 America is about anything it is about our commitment to a
15 country of laws, not men; and this is where we administer those
16 laws, we apply those laws; and sometimes we will call upon you
17 to come join us because in the most sacred of obligations that
18 we carry out here, we have a jury system. We don't just let
19 one guy up there decide "up" or "down" on a citizen's liberty
20 or property or all of that. We bring six or we bring 12
21 American citizens down here; and Judge Skavdahl, who is the
22 arbiter of what the law is, will instruct you after you hear
23 the case, and you'll be the ultimate judges. You'll decide
24 what the facts are. You'll decide. Should this party win the
25 civil lawsuit? Should this defendant be convicted? That is an

1 enormous responsibility of citizenship, but it is one of the
2 core values that makes us who we are because for the most
3 part -- again, we're not perfect, but for the most part that
4 system is one that operates amazingly, it operates fairly, and
5 it separates us from a lot of the rest of the world because we
6 take it so seriously, and it's one of the things that we need
7 you to take seriously.

8 So if you get a summons for jury duty from
9 Judge Skavdahl, don't blow it off. Don't say, "I'm sorry. I
10 can't come. I got this. I got that." One of the things
11 you've got to do is to participate as a participant. That's
12 what you signed up for today. You signed up for all the
13 liberties, and you signed up for some duties.

14 So anyway, enough of me. Thank you all again. It is
15 an honor to be here with you and to celebrate this very special
16 day with you. I wish you the best. Godspeed and God bless
17 each of you, and God bless the United States. Thank you again.

18 **THE COURT:** Thank you, Mr. Kubichek.

19 (Applause)

20 **THE COURT:** I don't know that I can add significantly
21 to the remarks that have already been made, but this country
22 was forged from a desire to form a more fair and just society
23 and government, a government by the people and for the people.
24 You are part of it. Its formation came at a great and, for
25 many, an ultimate cost. However, that was but a down payment.

1 As noted at the beginning of this ceremony, the price of our
2 freedom continues to be paid on a daily and hourly basis.

3 I hope that all of us can recognize and appreciate we
4 are united as Americans, and the freedoms we enjoy is not
5 because of our individuality but, rather, because of our
6 commitment to one another as fellow citizens of the
7 United States of America.

8 To our newest citizens, thank you for wanting to be a
9 part of that commitment; and may those of us who have already
10 made it or have been gifted it be reminded that what we have is
11 cherished and sought after by others throughout the world.

12 God bless the United States of America. We'll stand
13 in recess.

14 **THE CLERK:** All rise. Court will stand in recess.

15 **(The proceedings conclude at 4:24 p.m.)**

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25

REPORTER CERTIFICATE

I, JAMIE L. HENDRICH, Official Federal Court Reporter
in the United States District Court for the District of
Wyoming, certify that the foregoing is a correct transcript
from the record of proceedings in the above-entitled matter.

___01.17.12___
Date

_____/s/_____
JAMIE L. HENDRICH, CSR-RPR-CRR
Official Federal Court Reporter

A

abjure 5:7,8
able 2:15 10:17 20:9 23:2
 26:8
above-entitled 31:5
Abraham 25:11
absolutely 5:5,6
accorded 10:9
acquainted 12:11
active 18:2
activity 11:19
add 29:20
address 15:16,18
addresses 7:24
administer 5:1 28:15
admission 3:4
admitted 3:20
Adriana 1:8 3:8 4:7
advance 17:8
adventure 24:11
advertised 12:4
Afghan 17:23 18:11,18,20
Afghanistan 17:23 18:8
 20:21
ago 22:9 25:20
agree 27:25
agreement 24:15,16
agreements 26:10
Air 14:12,13,16 16:12
airman 15:18
airmen 16:19
airplanes 19:13
airport 16:18,21 19:24
allegiance 4:15,16,18,19
 5:9,10 6:6,9
allowing 3:25
amazing 23:8 25:2,11
amazingly 29:4
Ambes 9:22
America 5:24 6:1 8:19,21
 13:5 21:4 26:14,22 28:1
 28:14 30:7,12
American 8:13,18 9:13,14
 9:21 10:15,20,22,23
 11:10,10,12,14 13:17
 20:24 21:7,15,17,19,21
 21:24 22:12 23:5 25:15
 28:11,21
Americans 12:25 25:4,17
 27:17,25 30:4
answer 26:23
answered 23:19
anthem 4:17
anybody 14:2 17:10 23:17
anyplace 16:7
anyway 13:11 19:15,25
 20:10 29:14
apart 25:10
apologies 22:11
apologize 20:15 21:22
 22:8,9

APPEARANCES 1:16
Applause 7:18 20:12 21:4
 29:19
apply 28:16
appreciate 30:3
appreciation 21:2
appreciative 14:6 17:3
approved 24:1
arbiter 28:22
area 9:10 11:3 19:5,6
areas 18:6
aren't 9:22
Argentina 23:11
Armed 6:15,17
Armistice 12:13
armory 14:1
Army 14:12,13,15 16:12
arrangement 19:18
arrive 17:15
Articles 24:25
assemble 28:5
assist 15:14
Assistant 2:23
attack 12:7,10
attacked 12:9,23
Attorney 2:22,23 22:23
 23:3
ATTORNEY'S 1:17
Austria 26:3
automatically 23:16
auxiliary 10:23
aware 13:12

B

baby 20:7
back 15:12,12 16:25
 18:12 20:15 24:11,13
 25:5
background 3:14
Balkans 17:22
Banner 4:20
Barrasso 8:5
baseball 11:12,14
based 24:15 25:24 26:10
basically 13:11
basin 11:2
basis 30:2
battle 19:11 25:17
Battlefield 25:16
bear 6:6,8
began 24:11
beginning 30:1
behalf 8:16 22:22 23:3
believe 8:5 21:11,17 22:5
 28:1,1
belong 11:23
benefits 10:4,5
best 14:20 18:3 27:10
 29:16
bet 14:21
Betty 21:8

big 10:12 18:17 19:10
biggest 25:6
binds 25:4
bit 18:25
Black/part 27:2
bless 29:16,17 30:12
blood 13:17
blow 29:9
bomb 19:14
born 23:15,16
boss 24:5,6
bother 14:5
bowl 11:2
box 1:18 15:20,21
Boy 11:18
boys 10:22 11:1
Brimmer 2:18
bring 17:6 27:16 28:20,20
Britain's 12:10
British 24:24
bunch 25:1
burial 10:12
bust 25:1
buying 10:10

C

call 4:3 8:25 10:6 14:23
 16:15 17:12 28:16
called 4:3 9:4 12:13,16
 24:25
cameras 2:9
Canada 3:8
candidate 27:7
candidates 3:18
can't 13:8 26:14 29:10
card 23:15
care 13:25 16:9,10 18:20
Carrico 21:9,10
carry 10:2 28:18
case 19:7 28:23
Casper 1:8,18,24 20:4
cast 26:20
celebrate 29:15
cell 2:10
cemetery 12:2
ceremonies 12:18
ceremony 1:12 2:8,16
 30:1
certain 24:18,19,20
certainly 9:4 24:7
certainty 23:8
CERTIFICATE 31:1
certificates 7:16,19
certify 31:4
changed 12:15
character 3:14
charge 17:23 18:15,16
chased 18:19
cherished 30:11
Cheyenne 11:4 16:5
Chief 2:18

China 3:7 19:9 23:11
chunk 25:6
church 27:24,24
citizen 5:18,20 23:16
citizens 2:14,16 4:1,4,14
 5:1 7:17,20,24 8:7,8
 22:16 24:18 25:8 26:18
 28:7,21 30:6,8
citizenship 1:4,12 3:4,13
 3:15,18,21 7:16 29:1
citizen's 28:19
civil 25:9 26:12,15 28:25
civilian 6:25 7:2
clearly 13:5 25:17
clerk 2:2 4:3,5 7:20 30:14
close 19:14
coast 16:12 19:9
Cody 11:3
Cohee 21:19,20,20,22,24
 21:25 22:3,4
collapse 26:15
college 10:11 20:4
Colonel 4:11,23
Color 4:11,13,24
colors 4:11,13,22
come 8:19 11:13 12:5 13:6
 13:12 14:7 16:25 20:9
 20:13 24:3 26:7,19
 28:17 29:10
comes 12:12,21 20:16
coming 16:19,20 17:5,14
 17:16 19:25
commence 2:1
commit 25:7
commitment 23:12,18
 28:14 30:6,9
commitments 25:24
common 9:19
community 8:16 10:14
 17:20
competitive 27:4
completed 3:14
completely 25:10
conclude 30:15
concluded 25:17
conduct 2:15 11:25
conducted 11:21
Confederation 24:25
conflict 9:7,11 26:13
congratulate 8:22
congratulations 2:19 4:8
 7:13
congressional 8:4,8
Congresswoman 8:4
connected 17:10
consequently 13:21 15:8
 20:9
consider 16:2
constitution 5:23,25
 10:21 24:15,25 25:3,13
 27:10

contests 10:16
continuation 8:21
continue 13:19
continues 13:18 30:2
contract 25:25
contribute 27:22
contributions 15:3
convicted 28:25
cook 27:18
core 29:2
Corps 17:21 19:17
correct 21:18 31:4
correctly 21:9
correspondence 3:16
cost 29:25
Council 11:22,24,25
 22:13
Counsel 3:2 8:15 22:25
counterpart 28:5
countries 8:19 20:21 24:7
 26:19
country 4:15 9:5,7,17
 11:2 12:3 13:14 14:4
 21:1 23:21 24:7,12
 25:19,21 27:22 28:15
 29:21
County 4:10 11:21,21
couple 19:4
course 9:20,25 10:11,12
 11:17 12:1,7,21 13:20
 14:20 18:9,12 19:16
court 1:1,22 2:3,5,6,8,12
 2:17 3:1,2,11,22,24,25
 4:1,8,14,21,23 5:5,7,9
 5:11,14,16,18,21,23 6:2
 6:6,10,12,15,19,21,25
 7:4,7,9,11,13,15,20,21
 7:25 8:3,10,14,15 21:5
 21:11,16,22 22:2,5,10
 22:11,18,24,25 29:18,20
 30:14 31:2,3,9
courtesy 14:7
Courthouse 1:7,23 2:7
CSR-RPR-CRR 1:22
 31:8
culture 27:18
cultures 27:14
Czechoslovakia 26:3

D

daddy 15:12
daily 30:2
Dan 17:20,21 19:16,22,24
 20:1,10,11,13,15,16
Daniela 16:3
date 12:22 31:8
Daughters 21:7,14
David 1:17
day 11:5 12:1,3,7,12,13
 12:13,16,20,21 13:5
 17:14 25:6 29:16

day-to-day 28:10
deal 19:13
dealing 18:3
Debbie 16:5
December 12:22
decide 28:19,23,24
decided 25:3
decision 19:7
declare 5:3,4
defend 5:21,22 25:13
defendant 28:25
defending 19:13
defined 9:6
delegation 8:4
Democratic 27:5
deploy 19:7
deployed 14:11,16,17
 19:5
designated 3:12
designed 16:17
desirable 3:18
desire 29:22
destroy 13:9
determined 24:12
devices 2:9
devoted 10:21
didn't 8:25 9:2 12:25 15:8
 19:25 22:8 23:14,22,23
 25:1
died 12:3 25:18
Diego 18:23 19:1
different 9:16 24:6,13
 26:17,18,20 27:14
difficult 23:19
dinner 12:18
direction 6:25 7:2 27:9
directory 14:21
Disabled 22:6,12
discharged 16:20
disclose 23:21
disclosed 23:20
discount 15:23,24
discussion 10:21
disease-ridden 25:5
distinct 9:20
district 1:1,1,13,23 2:3,3
 2:12,12,17,23 14:24
 31:3,3
diverse 27:15
document 25:7
doesn't 26:14
doing 14:4
domestic 6:3,5
donations 15:1 16:9,10,13
don't 7:25 13:4,25 14:4,4
 14:17 20:13,17 26:20
 27:17 28:18 29:9,9,20
Douglas 1:7 3:7 4:6 11:1
downtown 20:6
drafted 10:4
drawing 18:12

drew 23:15
driving 18:11
dude 24:2
duties 29:13
duty 9:2 15:13 17:1 29:8

E

earlier 24:2
early 17:13
east 11:1
easy 23:6,12,12 24:21,23
 28:9,11
effectively 10:18
effort 23:13
either 9:23
elected 27:1,2
embedded 17:24
Emily 17:20 18:22 19:15
 19:19,24 20:7
Emily's 20:2
endanger 11:16
ended 12:14 17:22
enemies 6:2,4
enemy 18:4,7
engaged 9:8 10:1
enjoy 24:18 30:4
enlisted 10:3
enormous 29:1
entirely 5:5,6 10:21
entitled 10:4,20
entitles 9:8
Enzi 8:5
episode 18:9
episodes 18:10
Escarsega 1:6 3:6 4:5
ethnicity 26:1
Europe 17:22
evasion 7:9,10
evening 18:1
event 12:11
events 13:13
Everett 21:8
everybody 17:4 26:6
Ewing 1:6 2:7
exact 14:18
examined 3:12
examiner 3:13
example 9:15 10:10 26:20
exclusive 9:10
exist 24:13
expect 17:15
experience 11:3 19:1
experiment 24:22
explain 16:16 19:3
exposure 9:2
express 28:8
extend 2:19
eyes 18:17

F

face 5:2

fact 9:5 11:10 20:1
facts 28:24
fair 29:22
fairly 29:4
faith 6:6,8
fallible 24:10
falling 25:18
families 2:19 10:1 15:4,11
 15:15 16:11 21:3
family 8:18 14:25,25
 15:13 16:4,8 17:19 20:2
 20:24 23:5
famous 25:15
far 24:22
fascinates 23:11
federal 1:7 2:7,17 31:2,9
fellow 4:14 30:6
fidelity 5:9,10
fighting 13:2 18:7
figures 14:18
Filiberto 1:5 3:5 4:6
find 9:18
fine 17:12
fire 15:11 18:12,14
first 7:22 13:24 17:21
 19:19
Flag 8:13 12:3 21:4,19
flags 17:6,6,7 21:18,24,25
flat 15:20
fleet 12:23
flight 17:15
following 3:4 12:9
foods 27:18
Force 14:16 16:12
Forces 6:15,17
foregoing 31:4
foreign 2:13 5:11,12 6:2,4
foremost 7:22
forged 29:22
forget 27:17
form 25:3 29:22
formation 29:24
forward 20:16 24:14,17
fought 19:11
found 18:10
founded 25:22,24
founders 24:12
founding 25:20
four 25:20
freedom 24:24 30:2
freedoms 30:4
freely 7:4,6
Freudenthal 2:18
friend 15:16 17:9,9
friends 2:20 15:17 17:11
full-fledged 9:4 20:5
fun 16:23
functions 11:7,8

G

Gary 21:20

gather 28:13
general 2:22 19:6 22:23
 23:3
generally 12:14
gentlemen 2:6 23:1
Gerardo 1:6 3:6 4:5
getting 8:24
Gettysburg 25:16
gifted 30:10
Gifts 21:14
girls 10:23 11:1
give 13:20,21 17:8 26:9
given 13:16
gives 20:20
glad 27:11
go 10:11,24,25 11:1,4
 12:1 13:22 14:3 16:25
 17:1 18:6 27:11,24
God 2:5 7:11,12 26:3
 29:16,17 30:12
Godspeed 29:16
goes 12:19 15:22
going 8:19 13:7,9,21 16:6
 20:20 24:22 26:9 27:23
 27:24,25 28:12
good 27:13 28:11
Gosar 21:9
governed 24:18
government 1:17 10:3
 11:4,7 24:8,8,9 29:23,23
governor's 11:5
Grant 1:7 3:8 4:6
Granting 1:4
grants 3:25,25
gratitude 21:2
great 2:14 8:18 16:23
 19:13 29:24
greatness 8:21
group 10:17 11:22 14:11
 14:25,25 15:13 16:4,8
 16:17,21
groups 9:19
Guard 4:11,13,24 9:1,2
 14:2,12,13,13 16:10,12
guy 27:2 28:19
guys 23:25 25:5

H

Haines 21:8,8
Hamilton 16:3
hand 5:2 14:3
handle 16:6
handles 16:4
hands 7:19 14:7
happen 24:3
happiness 16:24
happy 8:17 15:14 16:24
 17:5
Harbor 12:21,21,23
hard 28:9
hasn't 24:21,23

headquarters 14:24
healthcare 10:11
healthwise 10:8
hear 2:2,2,2 8:24 22:8
 23:10 28:22
heard 25:21
hearing 1:12 3:11
heck 27:8,8
help 7:11,12 10:8 15:4,15
 15:15 27:12
Hendrich 1:22 31:2,8
heretofore 5:18,19
high 4:11 11:9,11
hill 18:16,16
historically 24:7
history 25:15
holidays 11:25 21:1,1
home 10:10 15:11,11
 16:15,17,18,19,20,22,25
 17:1,4,5 19:2,19,21,22
 20:1
homogeneous 26:6
honor 2:15,25 3:10,19,23
 8:18 12:2 29:15
Honorable 1:13 2:4,5
honors 12:14
hope 27:8,11 30:3
hoping 20:7
hospital 18:23,25 19:16
 19:16 20:6
hospitality 20:2
hospitalman 18:23
hot 25:5
hourly 30:2
humid 25:5

I

idea 11:6 20:20
ideals 25:22
II 12:25 15:7 19:10
immigration 3:13,15,19
 24:2
importance 6:22,24
important 17:17
impressed 20:1,2
improve 18:3
including 2:17
incorporate 27:13
India 26:20
indicates 3:15
individuality 30:5
individually 11:18
individuals 4:2
inducting 2:16
inferior 26:18
inherited 28:3
initial 11:14 24:24
instruct 28:22
intend 21:18
interesting 18:10
interfere 28:7

interrupting 14:5
interviewed 3:12
investigations 3:14
involved 9:25
Iraq 20:21
island 19:8,9
isn't 9:14 14:14
item 10:12
it's 8:18 15:24 16:11,23
 23:11,12 24:16 28:9,11
 28:12 29:6
I'd 8:23 21:7
I'm 26:2,2,9 29:9
I've 18:10

J

Jackie 21:9
Jackson 16:7
Jamie 1:22 31:2,8
JANUARY 1:5
Japan 12:22 19:8,14
Japanese 19:12
Jewish 9:17
Jianghong 1:6 3:6 4:7
John 27:6
Johnson 2:18 21:17,23
 22:20
join 4:17 7:16 23:13 27:16
 28:17
joined 27:17
JROTC 4:13
judge 1:13 2:4,18,18,18
 13:16 23:14 28:21 29:9
judges 28:23
July 12:17
June 12:4
jury 2:7 28:18 29:8

K

keep 27:9,12,21
Ken 21:23
Kerr 1:6 2:7
kids 10:24
killed 18:19
killing 12:24
kind 21:13 26:6
kinds 24:13,20
knew 13:19 18:7,8
know 8:18 13:5,7,25 17:9
 17:12,13 19:8,25 23:6,6
 23:7,12,12 24:21,23
 25:19,21 26:3 27:19,23
 29:20
knows 26:3
Kosovo 17:21
Kubichek 1:17 2:21,25
 3:3,22,23 22:22,24 23:1
 23:25 26:5 27:21 29:18

L

L 1:22 31:2,8

ladies 2:6 21:12,16 23:1
landing 19:11,12
Laos 3:7 23:10
Laramie 16:7
large 9:22 23:2
largest 9:21
Laughter 8:2 23:24 26:4
 27:20
launched 12:25
law 6:10,11,19,20 7:1,3
 9:6 10:9 28:22
laws 5:23,25 24:9 28:15
 28:16,16
lawsuit 28:25
leader 8:22 25:11
League 11:13
learn 23:21
learned 14:10
learning 27:9
leave 16:19 17:1
leaving 17:4
led 18:15
legally 23:19
Legion 9:13,14,21 10:15
 10:20,22,23 11:10,10,12
 11:14 21:17,21,24
legislation 10:2
legislature 11:5
Leonard 22:6
liberties 24:19 29:13
liberty 20:2
liked 26:25
Lincoln 25:11,18
listen 28:7
little 9:9 20:19 22:9,14
 24:11
lived 17:25 24:17
lives 13:17
loans 10:10
local 2:8
locally 16:4
long 13:5
look 14:21 26:1,13 27:23
looks 26:6
lot 8:24 13:9,16,17 15:5
 16:24 17:7 26:19 29:5
love 23:9 27:19 28:1
Lowe 8:12,13,14,16 14:22
 20:13,17 21:4,5 22:9
luck 23:17
lucky 23:15 25:10
Lummis 8:4

M

maintain 10:6 25:13
maintaining 15:11
major 11:13 19:11,11
making 4:16
man 20:7 25:11
Margo 21:8
Maria 1:8 3:8 4:7

Marine 15:19 17:21 19:17
Marines 16:6,19 18:24
married 15:6,9,10 19:2
matter 1:3 23:17 31:5
matters 18:21
McCain 27:6
mean 26:1
medical 20:6
meet 11:2 19:24
melting 27:14
members 12:19 23:5
membership 9:9,12,14
Memorial 12:1
memory 25:7
men 18:5 28:15
mental 7:7,8
message 7:22 8:20
messages 10:19
met 3:16 19:1
Mexico 3:5,5,6 23:11
Miguel 1:5 3:5 4:5
military 15:8 17:24 19:3
 19:12
million 15:8
Minnesota 19:20
misses 26:25
mistakes 24:10
mis-anticipate 8:1
Mitton 1:6 3:6 4:7
mixed-race 27:1
mongrel 26:2
months 19:22
moral 23:8
mother 15:12
motion 3:25
move 3:20
moved 19:20
movement 26:16
moving 3:3 27:8
music 8:1
Muslims 13:9

N

name 4:2 12:16,16 14:21
 15:16,17 18:7 21:9
nation 8:17 12:9,9 25:23
national 4:17 6:21,23 9:1
 9:2,20 14:2,12,12,13
 16:10
nationals 2:14
Natrona 4:10 11:21,21
naturalization 1:3,12 2:8
 2:13 3:11,17
naturalized 22:14
naturally 12:15 19:4
Navy 16:11 19:16
NCHS 4:13
necessarily 27:24
necessary 13:1 22:11
need 10:7,8 17:13 25:3
 29:6

neither 20:9
new 2:16 5:1 7:19,24 8:7,8
 20:7,7 22:16 27:13 28:3
newest 7:17 30:8
nice 19:18
night 25:6
Nolan 20:7,8,9
nomination 27:5
non-combat 6:12,13
north 11:2
noted 30:1
notice 17:8
November 12:12
number 14:17,18,22
 17:15
nurse 18:22 20:5
nursing 20:4

O

oath 3:12,21 5:1,3,4 25:12
Obama 7:24
obligation 4:14 7:4,5 28:6
obligations 24:20 28:17
observe 12:17,21
observing 20:25
occasions 23:7
office 1:17 8:6 11:5 15:19
 15:21,25
officer 3:19 24:3
officers 10:7
Official 1:22 31:2,9
officially 23:4
Okay 26:9
Okinawa 19:8,12,15
Olivarez 1:5 3:5 4:5
once 20:25
ones 9:20
operates 29:4,4
operation 19:12
Ophet 1:7 3:7 4:6
opportunities 13:14
opportunity 17:25
oratorical 10:15
order 3:25 10:2 25:7
ordered 18:15
organization 9:18 11:23
 15:1
organizations 8:12 9:9,11
 9:17,23 10:6,14 11:23
 21:6
original 24:16
Ortiz 1:6 3:6 4:5
overseas 9:2,10,13 13:25
 14:11,16 15:10,13 19:5

P

packages 14:10 15:2 16:6
Packets 8:8
paid 30:2
paper 17:8
parents 19:20

part 8:17 13:6,13,23
 17:20 20:24 22:13 27:2
 29:3,3,24 30:9
participant 29:11
participate 11:24 12:5
 13:13 20:25 29:11
particularly 12:2
party 27:5 28:24
pass 10:12 24:1
passed 12:2
Patriot 12:7
patriotic 8:12 11:20 21:1
 21:6
payment 29:25
Pearl 12:21,21,23
people 8:18 10:16 13:6,7
 16:17,24,25 17:8 19:23
 24:9,14,17 25:2 26:14
 26:17 27:13 29:23,23
People's 3:7
percent 11:13
Perez 1:8 3:8 4:7
perfect 27:8 29:3
perform 6:12,13,21,23
person 15:22 16:3,3 17:10
 27:4
personally 13:23
persons 9:13
petition 2:24 3:11,24
petitioners 1:9 3:4,10,16
 4:1 5:4,6,8,10,12,15,17
 5:19,22,25 6:4,8,11,13
 6:17,20,23 7:2,5,8,10,12
 7:14 21:14,25
PETITIONS 1:12
Philadelphia 25:2
phone 2:10
pick 15:20
picnic 12:18
pieces 27:21
pin 22:15
Pins 22:16
place 26:2,2,5 28:13
plane 17:16
played 4:20
players 11:13
playing 4:17
please 3:1 4:12,17 5:2
 7:16,21 8:10,14 20:11
 20:14 22:2,18,24
pleased 20:24
pleasure 23:2
pledge 4:16,18,19
plus 10:12
point 26:25
policy 19:3
Polynesian 27:2
popular 16:15
posed 25:18
possible 17:15
post 4:11 15:19,21,25

posts 11:18 12:17
pot 27:14
potentate 5:11,13
prefer 19:4
present 7:15 21:12,18
Presentation 4:13
presentations 8:7
presented 7:19 8:8 21:14
 21:25 22:16
presidency 27:6
President 7:23,24 13:2,4
 23:4 27:2,3
presidential 27:7
presiding 2:4
press 12:4
pretty 23:17
price 30:1
pride 2:15
prince 5:11,12
principal 11:25
principles 24:18 25:22
 26:11
privilege 2:15 3:20 23:2
privileges 10:9
probably 13:18 17:2
 25:21
proceedings 2:1 30:15
 31:5
process 23:19
program 10:20,24 11:11
 11:14,15 16:14,17
programs 11:20,20 12:6
progress 26:24,24 27:1
promise 10:3 28:1
promises 27:10,12
property 28:20
prospect 17:3
public 10:16
purpose 7:9,10
put 15:21 19:13
p.m 1:5,5 2:1 30:15
P.O 1:18

Q

qualified 3:17
qualify 9:3
question 25:18,19,23
 26:10,17,22
questions 23:20
quite 9:12 17:5,16 18:25

R

R 14:22
races 26:17
raise 5:2
ran 18:16,16
range 19:14
rate 15:20,22
real 25:3
realize 15:5
really 25:2

receive 22:17	28:3,8	set 17:12 25:22	states 1:1,4,12,13,17 2:3,5
received 10:5 22:1	rise 4:12 30:14	settled 20:3	2:12,14,16,22,23 3:3,18
recess 30:13,14	Robinson 22:5,6,8,12,16	seven 2:16 25:20	3:21,24 4:1,19 5:24 6:1
recited 4:19	22:21	shake 14:3,7	6:16,18 7:23 10:22
recognize 2:21 8:3,11	rodeo 11:9,11	shaking 7:19	11:11,22 14:14 22:23
21:7 22:6,20,22 30:3	roll 4:3	share 13:14	23:4 24:16 29:17 30:7
recognized 20:11 25:14	Room 1:23	shared 25:22,24,25 26:11	30:12 31:3
26:13	roughly 14:18	she's 20:5	statewide 16:5
recommendation 3:19	Ruiz 1:5,5 3:5,5 4:6,6	ships 12:23	status 26:21
record 31:5	rules 2:9	shooting 11:16	stopped 18:14
recording 2:9	run 18:18 27:5	shots 20:8	stories 23:10
referred 24:2	running 13:10 27:6	show 4:15 14:6 21:1 27:1	story 23:8
regard 15:13	Russell 16:5	shown 20:2	strong 8:20
regardless 15:23		shy 14:4	stronger 26:13 27:15
relative 15:16,17	S	side 17:19	study 23:13 25:7
relatives 17:11	S 31:8	sides 25:18	stuff 15:21
religions 24:14	sacred 28:13,17	sign 24:4	subject 5:18,19
religions/ethnicities 26:18	sacrifice 26:8	signed 23:25 24:5 29:12	suddenly 24:5
remain 4:16	saddens 23:7	29:12,13	Sue 21:8
remainder 4:25	safely 11:16	significantly 29:20	sufficiently 18:6
remains 25:23	sailor 15:18	silent 2:11	summertime 10:24
remarkable 27:3	sailors 12:24 16:6,18	single 15:7	summons 29:8
remarks 22:23 29:21	18:24	sir 21:10 22:4,7,8	support 5:21,22 14:25,25
remember 13:14	salutes 8:13 21:4	sit 20:14,18	15:13 16:4,8 25:13
remembers 12:7	saluting 21:19	sitting 18:1	supporting 9:25,25 10:2
reminded 30:10	San 18:23 19:1	situation 18:20	sure 7:25
renounce 5:7,8	sank 12:23	six 28:20	survive 26:10,22
Reported 1:22	saucers 18:17	Skavdahl 1:13 2:4 23:14	survived 26:12
Reporter 1:22 31:1,2,9	save 2:5	28:21 29:9	Susan 21:8
represent 22:12	saying 22:9	skill 10:16	suspend 2:8
representatives 8:6,9	Schmotzer 4:11,23	smart 25:2	sweaty 25:4
representing 2:22 21:21	scholarships 10:10	Smartphone 2:10,11	system 28:18 29:4
Republic 3:7	school 4:11 11:9,11 20:5	Smith 1:8 3:8 4:7	
Republicans 27:7	score 25:20	social 25:25	T
require 9:10	Scott 1:13 2:4	society 26:6 29:22	T 1:6 2:7
required 6:10,11,19,20,25	Scout 11:18	soldier 15:18	table 27:16
7:3 9:14	seated 4:9,25 7:21 8:10	soldiers 13:25 16:6,18	tactics 18:3
requirements 3:17	22:2,18,20	solely 25:24	take 7:4,5 11:5 13:7,8
requisite 3:21	second 12:8	sorry 29:9	15:3 18:5,20 23:22,22
reservation 7:7,8	secure 24:24	sort 9:18,19 11:6 15:9	23:23 29:6,7
responsibilities 24:20	see 10:4,7 13:24 14:2	17:19 18:2,21 28:10	takes 15:1 16:9,10 23:12
28:2	16:25 17:2 19:14,18	sought 30:11	23:13,13
responsibility 9:3 28:4	24:6	south 1:23 19:8	Taliban 18:7,13,15
29:1	seeing 16:24 17:5	sovereignty 5:14,15	Taliban's 18:17
responsible 24:19	Senator 27:6	speak 10:17 15:12 28:5	talk 17:25 18:2 28:9
rest 29:5	senatorial 8:9	speaking 10:17	talking 14:6
restrictive 9:12	Senators 8:5	special 2:13 10:9 28:13	teenagers 15:7
retired 4:22	send 14:9 15:19	29:15	telephone 14:21,22
returned 18:14	sending 15:22	specifically 16:1	tell 12:20 14:23 16:8,14
Reverend 20:17 22:5,8,16	Sengchanh 1:7 3:7 4:6	speech 25:15	16:23 17:18 20:23 23:8
22:19,21	separate 9:19	spilled 13:17,18	tells 8:20 18:8 20:19
revisit 26:16	separates 29:5	sponsor 11:18	Ten 25:17
revolution 21:8,15 24:23	September 12:8,11	stand 4:2 10:17 20:11	terms 27:9
rewards 17:19	seriously 29:6,7	21:25 22:17 30:12,14	terror 13:18
richer 27:14	served 9:5,7,13 12:15	standing 4:16	terrorists 13:20
ridge 18:13	13:15 17:21	Stanley 14:22	test 23:22,22,23 24:1
rifle 11:15	service 3:13,15 6:12,14	started 13:19 18:12,18	thank 2:6,25 3:22,23 4:8
rifles 11:16 18:18	10:7 12:3 14:1,8 16:11	24:23	4:21,23 7:14 8:10,11
right 4:8 5:2 8:3 14:1	16:20 17:10 19:4	Star-Spangled 4:20	14:3,8 21:3,5,16 22:2,3
21:11,22 27:9 28:5,6	serving 12:15 14:1 15:10	state 5:14,15 8:17 10:22	22:4,18,19 29:14,17,18
rights 10:12 24:19 26:15	session 2:4,13	10:23 16:7 22:15	30:8

that's 12:1,4,22,24 13:11
14:18 16:1,14 17:2,10
17:12 19:8 24:4,6,15
27:10 28:9 29:11
theoretical 28:10
there's 16:23
they'd 18:6
they're 9:24 13:9,25 14:1
14:4,5 17:2,14 18:1,7
19:5
they've 17:1 20:3
thing 9:18 11:6 13:21
14:9 15:9 16:16 17:19
18:2 25:12 27:3,25
28:11
things 12:4 13:11 14:10
23:7 24:6 29:6,10
think 13:1,4,10,12 15:5
15:24 17:2
thinking 13:4
thinks 26:7
Thomas 20:7,8,10
thoughts 10:18
thousands 25:17
threw 18:17
time 2:21 4:10,15,25 7:15
7:21 8:11,25 9:3 10:1
12:8,24 13:19 17:7,13
17:14 22:22 25:11,20
today 2:16 3:3 8:23 13:10
13:16 14:16 15:6,10
20:8,8 21:7,12 22:15
23:3,9 24:4,5 29:12
token 22:14
told 13:16
tore 25:10
total 9:16 25:1
touch 19:23
town 10:25 14:24 25:5
trained 18:6,19
training 11:14,15 17:23
18:1 20:5
trains 10:16
transcript 1:12 31:4
treat 26:17,22
treating 18:24
troops 11:18 14:10,11
15:2,4,5,10,15 16:9,10
16:16,25 18:11,14,18,20
18:24 20:20 21:2
truck 18:13
trucks 18:11
true 6:6,8 14:14 15:6
try 16:21 17:7 24:25
turn 2:11,11
two 9:23
two-dollar 15:24

U

ultimate 28:23 29:25
ultimately 24:1 26:15,23

27:15
understand 28:4,6
understandings 25:24
uniform 14:2
Union 25:13
unit 17:24 19:17
united 1:1,4,12,13,17 2:3
2:5,12,14,16,22,23 3:3
3:18,21,24 4:1,19 5:24
6:1,16,18 7:23 10:22
11:11,22,24,25 21:20
22:13,23 23:4 29:17
30:4,7,12 31:3
urge 13:12,24
usually 11:1
U.S. 1:22,23 8:7

V

values 29:2
various 8:12
vary 10:14
Venezuela 3:9
veteran 9:4,6
veterans 8:16,23,24 9:9
9:11,16,17,24,25 10:1,2
10:6,7 11:22,23,24,25
12:12,14,16 20:14 21:20
22:6,13,13
VFW 9:9,21 10:15
vice 27:7
videotape 7:24
Vietnam 9:1
virtue 9:8
visit 8:23
vote 28:4

W

W 1:13 2:4
waited 19:21
walk 28:10
walking 28:10
want 7:25 8:19 13:6,7,24
15:3,14,19 16:1,2
wanted 20:23
wanting 30:8
war 9:3 10:1 12:10,14,25
12:25 13:1,2,18 15:7
19:10 25:9 26:12
wars 9:1 13:3
wasn't 15:6 20:9 23:6
watch 12:5
way 18:20 19:2,18 24:12
26:23
weight 15:23
welcome 2:7 8:17 16:15
16:18,21 23:1,4
welcoming 7:16
went 19:25 20:4 23:19
24:14
we'll 17:12 30:12
we're 8:24 12:11 13:20

26:5,6 27:11,23,25 29:3
we've 12:8 13:16
White 17:21 20:16 26:14
who's 17:10,20 24:2
wife 18:22
Wilson 13:2,4
win 28:24
wish 21:12 29:16
Wolcott 1:23
woman 27:5,7
wonderful 28:12
Wookey 1:7 3:8 4:6
work 6:21,23 23:15 25:1
26:14
worked 25:5
works 14:23 16:16 24:8
Worland 10:25,25
world 8:21 12:14,25 13:1
15:7 19:10 24:8 26:19
29:5 30:11
worrying 14:5
wouldn't 13:20
Wyoming 1:1,8,18,24 2:3
2:13,17,23 14:14 20:6
22:15 31:4

Y

ye 2:2,2,2
yeah 20:17,17
year 12:22
years 25:20
young 10:16 20:7
youngster 17:9
youth 11:15
you'd 5:2
you'll 9:18 15:25 28:23,23
28:24
you're 15:22 23:16,16
26:1 27:11 28:12
you've 25:21 29:11

0

01.17.12 31:8

1

11th 12:8,11,12
111 1:23
12 28:20
13 24:16
14 15:8
1776 24:11
1787 25:1
1812 12:10
1863 25:16
1864 25:9
1950s 26:16

2

20 14:15
2012 1:5
217 1:23

22211 1:18
235/36-year-old 24:22
265-1585 14:22
265-5280 1:24

3

3:30 1:5 2:1
30 14:15
307 1:24

4

4th 12:17
4:24 1:5 30:15
40 9:16 11:13 14:17

6

60 14:17
60s 26:16,24

7

7th 12:22
70s 26:25

8

82601 1:24
82602 1:18

9

9 1:5