

CLAIMS RESOLUTION TRIBUNAL

In re Holocaust Victim Assets Litigation
Case No. CV96-4849

Certified Denial

to Claimant [REDACTED]
represented by Fritz Enderlein

in re Account of Lotte Pariser

Claim Number: 213721/SB

This Certified Denial is based on the claim of [REDACTED], née [REDACTED], (the “Claimant”) to the account of Lotte (Lotta) Lowenick (Levy), née Pariser.¹ This Denial is to the published account of Lotte Pariser (the “Account Owner”) at the [REDACTED] (the “Bank”).

All denials are published, but where a claimant has requested confidentiality, as in this case, the names of the claimant, any relatives of the claimant other than the account owner, and the bank have been redacted.

Information Provided by the Claimant

The Claimant submitted a Claim Form asserting that her mother, Lotte Pariser, who was born on 27 October 1896 in Berlin, Germany, and was married to [REDACTED] in 1918 in Berlin, owned a Swiss bank account. The Claimant stated that her mother, who was Jewish, resided in Berlin, Germany. The Claimant further stated that her mother fled Germany in 1939 to England. The Claimant also stated that her mother married her second husband, [REDACTED] in 1944, in London, England. The Claimant stated that her mother died on 31 May 1977 in San Mateo, the United States. The Claimant stated that she was born on 12 May 1921 in Berlin.

Information Available in the Bank’s Records

The CRT notes that the Claimant submitted a claim to an account belonging to her relative, Lotte Pariser. The auditors who carried out the investigation to identify accounts of Victims of Nazi Persecution pursuant to instructions of the Independent Committee of Eminent Persons (“ICEP” or the “ICEP Investigation”) reported one account whose owner’s name matches that provided by the Claimant. The account is identified below by its Account Identification Number, which is a number assigned to the account by the ICEP auditors for tracking purposes.

¹ The CRT did not locate an account belonging to Lotte (Lotta) Lowenick (Levy) or Lotta Pariser in the Account History Database prepared pursuant to the investigation of the Independent Committee of Eminent Persons (“ICEP” or “ICEP Investigation”), which identified accounts probably or possibly belonging to Victims of Nazi Persecution, as defined in the Rules Governing the Claims Resolution Process, as amended (the “Rules”).

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The Bank's records indicate that the Account Owner was Lotte Pariser, who resided in Germany. The Bank's records also indicate the Account Owner's city of residence and title. The Bank's records also indicate the dates of opening and closing of the account at issue.

The CRT's Analysis

Admissibility of the Claim

The CRT has determined that the claim is admissible according to Article 18 of the Rules Governing the Claims Resolution Process, as amended (the "Rules").

Identification of the Account Owner

The CRT concludes that the Claimant has not identified the Account Owner as her relative. Although the name of her mother matches the published name of the Account Owner, the information provided by the Claimant differs materially from the unpublished information about the Account Owner available in the Bank's records. Specifically, the Claimant stated that her mother resided in Berlin, Germany. In contrast, the Bank's records show that the Account Owner resided in a different city, which is over 550 kilometers from Berlin, and to which the Claimant established no connection. The CRT also notes that the Claimant did not indicate that her mother had a professional or academic title, whereas the Bank's records indicate that the Account Owner had such a title. Consequently, the CRT is unable to conclude that the Account Owner and the Claimant's mother are the same person.

Right of Appeal

Pursuant to Article 30 of the Rules, the Claimant may appeal this Denial to the Court through the Special Masters within ninety (90) days of the date of the letter accompanying this decision. Appeals should be delivered to the following address: Office of Special Master Michael Bradfield, 51 Louisiana Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20001 USA.

The Claimant should send appeals in writing to the above address and should include all reasons for the appeal. If more than one account has been denied in this Certified Denial, the Claimant should identify the Account Identification Number which forms the basis of the appeal. Appeals submitted without either a plausible suggestion of error or relevant new evidence may be summarily denied.

Scope of the Denial

The Claimant should be aware that the CRT will carry out further research on her claim to determine whether an award may be made based upon the information provided by the Claimant or upon information from other sources.

Certification of the Denial

The CRT certifies this Denial for approval by the Court.

Claims Resolution Tribunal
23 January 2006