

CLAIMS RESOLUTION TRIBUNAL

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

Certified Denial

to Claimant [REDACTED]

Claimed Account Owner: Paul Rosenzweig and Simon Rosenzweig¹

Claim Number: 400419/MG

This Certified Denial is to the claim of [REDACTED] (the “Claimant”) to Swiss bank accounts published on the list of account owners in 2005 and potentially owned by the Claimant’s relatives, Paul Rosenzweig and Simon Rosenzweig (the “Claimed Account Owners”).

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 stating that Paul Rosenzweig and Simon Rosenzweig, who were Jewish, were his grandfather’s brothers. The Claimant indicated that his family resided in Galati, Romania.

The CRT’s Investigation

The CRT matched the names of Paul Rosenzweig and Simon Rosenzweig to the names of all account owners in the Account History Database and identified accounts belonging to individuals whose names match, or are substantially similar to, the name of the Claimed Account Owners. In doing so, the CRT used advanced name matching systems and computer programs, and considered variations of names, including name variations provided by Yad Vashem, The Holocaust Martyrs’ and Heroes’ Remembrance Authority, in Jerusalem, Israel, to ensure that all possible name matches were identified. However, a close review of the relevant bank records indicated that the information contained therein was inconsistent with the information the Claimant provided regarding the Claimed Account Owners. Accordingly, the CRT was unable to conclude that any of these accounts belonged to the Claimed Account Owners.

¹ The Claimant should note that this determination relates only to the Claim Number and Claimed Account Owners stated above, and that the CRT is aware that the Claimant may have submitted other claims.

The CRT's Analysis

Identification of the Account Owners

The list below contains names of account owners that match the name of the Claimed Account Owners and the reasons why the CRT has concluded that the Claimed Account Owners and an account owner are not the same person. If an account owner's place of residence was published, that place of residence is also listed.

Name: Paul Rosenzweig

Account Identification Number: 1010948

Specifically, the Claimant indicated that his relative, Paul Rosenzweig, resided in Galati, Romania. In contrast, the records show that the account owner resided in cities which are over 200 kilometers from Galati. The CRT notes that Galati is a large urban center, rendering it unlikely that a resident of Galati would indicate the account owner's distant cities as his/her place of residence, even for the purposes of maintaining a Swiss bank account. The CRT further notes that the account was awarded to another claimant who identified the account owner's unpublished cities of residence and the unpublished name of an individual associated with the account at issue.

Name: Simon Rosenzweig

Account Identification Number: 1011752

Specifically, the Claimant indicated that his relative, Simon Rosenzweig, resided in Galati, Romania. In contrast, the records show that the account owner resided in a city which is over 200 kilometers from Galati. The CRT notes that both the account owner's city of residence and Galati are large urban centers, rendering it unlikely that a resident of Galati would indicate the account owner's distant city as his/her place of residence, even for the purposes of maintaining a Swiss bank account.

The Claimant should note that all accounts awarded by the CRT are published upon release on the CRT's website at www.crt-ii.org.

Right of Appeal and Request for Reconsideration

Pursuant to Article 30 of the Rules Governing the Claims Resolution Process, as amended (the "Rules"), the Claimant may appeal this decision or submit a request for reconsideration within ninety (90) days of the date of the letter accompanying this decision.

An appeal must be based upon a plausible suggestion of error regarding the CRT's conclusions set out in this decision. Any appeals which are submitted without a plausible suggestion of error shall be summarily denied. A request for reconsideration must be based on new documentary evidence not previously presented to the CRT that, if considered, would have led to a different outcome of the claim. Claimants should briefly explain the relevance of the newly submitted documents in view of the conclusions stated in the certified decision.

The Claimant should send appeals and/or requests for reconsideration in writing to the following address: Oren Wiener, Claims Resolution Tribunal, Attention: Appeals / Request for Reconsideration, P.O. Box 9564, 8036 Zurich, Switzerland. If more than one account has been treated in this decision, the Claimant should identify the account, including, where available, the Account Identification Number, that forms the basis of the appeal and/or request for reconsideration.

Scope of the Denial

The CRT now considers the Claimant's claim to the accounts of Paul Rosenzweig and Simon Rosenzweig closed. Please note that this decision applies only to the Claim Number and Claimed Account Owners identified herein, and that the CRT is aware that the Claimant may have claimed accounts held by other persons or entities both in the Claim Number specified above and in other claims submitted to the CRT.

Certification of the Denial

The CRT certifies this Denial for approval by the Court.

Claims Resolution Tribunal
23 June 2008