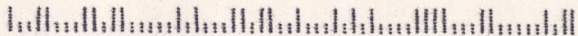




Ruth Kinsey
1605 SE 12th Avenue
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att. Office of the Attorney General
Mr. Gregory Darden
Civil Rights Division
4000 Hollywood Blvd., Fifth Floor South
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DEPARTMENT OF
HOLLYWOOD POLICE
COMMUNICATIONS

Chief Durden:

I'm writing this note to say I feel so helpless because I can't get my mother (Kathryn L. Lewis) to talk about Rose Wood (if she knows anything). My father, Prince Strappies is deceased & his brother whose name was changed to Malachi, sisters, Susie/Susan & Lillian as far as I know. We lost track of them when I was a little girl. They all were very tight lipped before they moved from L'uille.

My father died here in 1949 & Chestnut Funeral Home was in charge.

I could never remember them talking about their parents. I only know my father & his sisters & brother came from Rutledge. Ruth



ROBERT A. BUTTERWORTH
Attorney General
State of Florida

From the Desk of

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11/1/94
C.A. Strappier

Ruth ~~McKenzie~~
Kinsey

wants claim form:
1605 S.E. 12th Ave
Gainesville, Fla
32641

Re: Prince ~~Strappier~~
Strappier
malachi Strappier

(904) 375-6052



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THE CAPITOL

TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399-1050

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January 23, 1995

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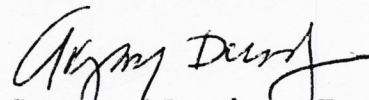
Dear Ms. Kinsey:

A review of the Rosewood Property Affidavit and the accompanying information that you submitted to this office has been completed. It is the decision of this office that there is insufficient evidence to support your claim.

A copy of our correspondence to you dated January 5, 1995, is enclosed. In accordance with that letter, your request for compensation as a descendent of a Rosewood property owner is denied.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Butterworth
Attorney General


Gregory Durden, Esquire
Chief of Civil Rights



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January 5, 1995

Dear Ms. Kinsey:

To date you have not provided sufficient information or evidence to support your Rosewood claim. It is the intention of this office to deny your claim unless you provide such information or evidence by January 19, 1995.

As you are aware, the Rosewood law defines an eligible claimant as a descendent of, "African-American families of Rosewood, Florida, who demonstrate real property and personal property damages sustained as a result of the destruction of Rosewood, Florida, in 1923." Therefore each family must provide some proof of property ownership in Rosewood, Florida during the week of January 1, 1923.

Additionally the property affidavit that you mailed to this office is incomplete. In order to continue processing your claim the following information must be received by January 19, 1995. Please provide the information for all questions marked with an "X".

1. ☐ Send copy of drivers license.

2. ☒ Send copy of birth certificate.

3. ☐ Give full name of the original Rosewood ancestor from January 1, 1923, under whom you are filing this claim.

4. ☐ Indicate on the space below, how you are related to the Rosewood ancestor named above. Example: grandfather, aunt etc.

5. ☐ Draw a family tree on a separate sheet of paper showing your relationship to the ancestor mentioned above and submit it to this office along with this form.

page two

6. X On the space below, indicate how much property the ancestor, Prince Strappier

X owned? Example: 1 acre _____

X leased? Example: 1/2 acre _____

7. X Give the legal description of the property on the space below.

8. X On a separate sheet of paper, describe as best as you can, the location of the property.

9. X Send a copy of any documentation that may authenticate or verify the information given in questions numbered 6,7 and 8. Examples include but are not limited to copies of deeds, leases or tax role records from Levy County Court House.

10. _____ Other

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Also note that receipt of the above information does not automatically qualify a claimant for compensation under the Rosewood law. This information is needed so that claimant applications may be processed. You will be contacted on the status of your application.

All information is to be mailed to:

Gregory Durden, Esquire
Chief of Civil Rights
Office of the Attorney General
4000 Hollywood Blvd., Suite 505 South
Hollywood, FL 33021

Date_____

Claimant Signature_____



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ROSEWOOD PROPERTY AFFIDAVIT (Print in ink or type legibly)

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DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS
HOLLYWOOD OFFICE
Civil Rights

Directions

- A. Read the enclosed letter carefully.
- B. Answer all of the questions in this affidavit to the best of your ability. If you are unable to answer a question, state that you are unable to answer the question, and if possible, state why.
- C. After answering the question, have the Affidavit notarized on the last page.
- D. This Affidavit must be received in this office no later than December 1, 1994.
- E. In order to qualify for compensation, the Rosewood law requires each claimant to, "demonstrate real property and personal property damages sustained as a result of the destruction of Rosewood, Florida, in 1923." Send copies of anything that will fulfill this requirement. Please do not send originals.

- =====
1. Name? Ruth Strappier Kinsey
 2. Birth Name? Ruth Lee Strappier
 3. Your Birth Place? (Name of City/Town and State) Sumpter, SC.
 4. Race? Black
 5. Social Security Number? 262-46-1311
 6. Date of Birth? Feb. 6, 1929
 7. Provide a copy of your birth certificate. Please do not provide original.

8. Provide a **copy** of your drivers license. Please do not provide original.

9. Give full name of the original Rosewood ancestor from January 1, 1923, under whom you are filing this claim? Indicate whether they owned, or leased their property. Indicate how much property. Any property listed must be within Rosewood, FL.

<u>Name?</u>	Owned, Leased? If leased, from whom?	How much property?
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Example: John Doe	leased (from Jane Smith)	10 acres
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Prince Strappier	Don't know anything on this	
Hezekiah Strappier	I never heard any one discuss it	
Susie		
Lillian		

10. Send a **copy** of any documentation that may authenticate or verify the information given in question number 9. Any documentation should contain a legal description of the property and the property location. Please do not send originals.

11. Beginning with your parents, give the full name of all of your direct ancestors. Trace your family tree all the way back to the Rosewood ancestor(s) that you have named in question number 9. Place a (D) next to names of people that are now deceased.

Parents? Prince Strappier (D)

Grandparents? Have never known / heard names called

Great grandparents? Never heard their names called

Great Great grandparents? _____

Great Great Great grandparents? _____

Can't remember ever hearing any of these names called

Great Great Great Great grandparents? _____

Great Great Great Great Great grandparents? Don't know.

I've never heard any of these names mentioned.

You may use this space to draw your family tree. Draw as many family trees as is necessary. Place a "(D)" next to names of people that are now deceased.

Don't know any one other than my father, Prince D.
His brother, Malachi who changed his name to Hezekiah or vice versa. Deceased.
Lillian & Suzie/Susie both deceased
and if they went in any other name other than Strappier, I was too small to remember.

I attended school in Gainesville, Fl. from
1935 — 1947.

This time was between three schools.
Speights School on N.W. 3rd. Ave. & 4th St.
Williamson Elem. on S.E. 7th Ave. (Depot St.)
and Lincoln of which I graduated in
1947. I was Luther Lee Strappier (Ruth)
in all of them. They told me they don't have
the records as far back as '35.

FAMILY TREE

Same as page #3.

12. Complete names and birth dates of all sisters and brothers (if known).

Ollie (Olye) max Strappick
6-26-'25. (deceased)

13. If possible, using landmarks such as railroads, buildings, etc., describe where your ancestor's property was located. It would be helpful to draw a map of Rosewood showing the location of the property.

Rosewood was never mentioned around me. My father, his two sisters & brother are all deceased and were very close kipped & they always seemed afraid & never, never got involved with others when they came to town.

MAP OF PROPERTY

Do not know because father died in 1949. And he never discussed "Rosewood" with me or in my presence.

His brother & 2 sisters were living in Rutledge, Fla. My father bought in Gainesville after moving off their property in Rutledge but the sisters & brother moved elsewhere from Rutledge.

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STATE OF FLORIDA)

COUNTY OF ALACHUA)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, this day personally appeared (Mr./Mrs./Ms.) Ruth Strappier Kinsey

(address) 1605 SE 12th Avenue

(city, state, zip) Gainesville, Florida 32641-8232

(home phone) 904/375-6052 (age) 65 and after being duly

FLORIDA DRIVER LICENSE
The Sunshine State

RUTH STRAPPIER KINSEY
1605 SE 12 AV
GAINESVILLE, FL 32601-8232

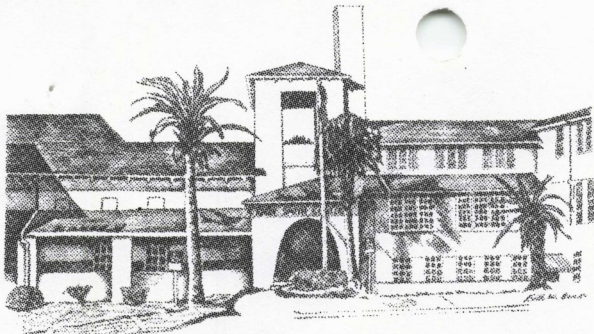
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LICENSE/ID NUMBER
K520-777-29-546-0
OPERATOR

ISSUED 02-22-91
EXPIRES 02-06-95

ACCEPTANCE AND USE OF THIS LICENSE CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO ANY "SOREM"
TEST REQUIRED BY LAW

x Ruth Kinsey 01191022022

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SCHOOL RECORD

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that the records on file in the office of

Student Records

in Gainesville, Florida

(Name of School, Administrative Office, etc.)

(City or Town)

(State)

show the following information regarding

Ruth Lee Strappier

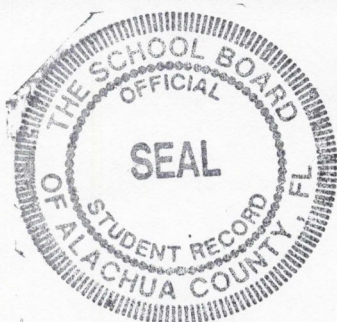
(Name of Pupil)

Date of birth or age February 6, 1929

Place of birth Sumpter, South Carolina

Parent(s) Name(s) Prince & Kathryn Strappier

Date original record established School Year 1941-42 (Lincoln High School)



(Signed) Marie Jackson

(Title or Position) Records Speicalist

Central High School



This certifies that

Ruthe Lee Strappier

has satisfactorily completed the Program of Study prescribed for Senior High Schools by the State Board of Education of Florida and has fulfilled every other requirement for graduation from this School and is therefore entitled to this

Diploma

Given under our hands at Gainesville, Florida, this twelfth day of May, A. D., One thousand nine hundred and forty-seven

Howard Bishop
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Principal

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Ruth Kinsey

ROSEWOOD CLAIMS BILL

CHECKLIST

Claims Activation Letter Mailed

11/1/94

Claims Activation Letter Received

Survivor Claims Verification Packet Sent

NA

Survivor Claims Verification Information Received

NA

Property Affidavit Sent

11/1/94

Property Affidavit Received

Request for additional information Claimant

Additional information received

Review Completed

Eligibility Determination Made

Letter of Denial Sent to Claimant

Letter of Award Sent to Claimant

ROSEWOOD CLAIMS BILL

NOTES

NAME Ruth Kinsey

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