

Form BC
October 1941

Five typewritten copies of this form must be submitted, consisting of one original and four copies all of which must be clearly legible. The form may be used to cover the members of a family group traveling together but separate Part B (original and four copies) must be submitted for each person over 18 years of age other than an accompanying husband or wife.

Part B

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Visa Division

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA CONCERNING ALIEN VISA APPLICANT

1. Name of alien and accompanying relatives:

Name	Marital status*	Relationship to (1)	Date and place of birth	Nationality	Present address
(1) Martin Ballin	M	x x x	July 8, 68 Munich	stateless	Baden-Aargau
(2) Thekla Ballin	M	wife	April 20, 75 Munich	stateless	Pension Probst Switzerland
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					

* S (single); M (married); W (widowed); D (divorced).
** Check (V) names of persons in group covered by this form.

NOTE.—Separate forms must be filed for all persons over 18 years of age except wife or husband.

2. What is the purpose of the alien(s) in entering the United States (check one of the following):

- (a) Permanent residence
(b) Temporary visit on business
(c) Temporary visit on pleasure

Explain fully if purpose of entry is other than for permanent residence.

3. Consulate at which application is to be made:

(If telegraphic advice to consulate is desired, state name and address of person to be billed for cost.)

Zurich, Switzerland

billed for cost: Ludwig Ballin, 38 Hamilton St. Millbury, Mass.

4. Have any travel arrangements been made? State any definite booking, if any. If alien residing in war area, has definite assurance been obtained for issuance of exit permit and transit visas to port of embarkation?

Will be made as soon as visas will be approved. Passages will be paid by affianta. applicants.

5. Close relatives in the United States. (If there are no close relatives, so indicate.)

Names Relationship relatives:

Ludwig Ballin son

38 Hemilton St. stateless
Millbury, Mass.

3 years P.P.

Wife's relatives:
Same

Indicate whether citizen (C) or first papers (FP)
Length of residence in U. S.
Nationality

6. Close relatives in countries other than the United States. (If there are no close relatives, so indicate.)

Names Relationship

Robert Ballin brother

Address

Nationality

Baden-Aargau, Switzerland stateless

Wife's relatives:

None

7. Occupational experience:

(List names and addresses of employers and positions held, with dates, commencing not later than 1930 and bringing up to the present time.)

Applicant or husband

Manufacturer of furniture

without occupation

until 1936

Wife

8. Political activities and affiliations:

(Give names and dates of membership in any political parties, groups, and societies. Detailed information concerning each should be furnished on separate sheets attached hereto.)

Applicant or husband

none whatsoever

Wife

none whatsoever

9. Have applicant(s) at any time been a member of the following political organizations? (Answer YES or NO.)

(a) Communist no

(c) Any group advocating violent overthrow of government no

(b) Anarchist no

If answer is affirmative, explain fully:

Applicant or husband

Wife

10. Has this alien, to your knowledge, ever been convicted of any offense, political or otherwise? (If answer is "Yes," give date, place, and nature of offense and sentence.)

Applicant or husband

Wife

11. Previous marriage.

(State whether marriage has been terminated by death or divorce; give details.)

(Give name of former spouse. If living, give present address if known.)

Applicant or husband

none

Wife

none

12. Places of previous residence (city and country), giving approximate dates.

(If alien has at any time been interned in any foreign country, give place and dates of internment.)

Applicant or husband

Munich Germany till 1942

Wife

Munich Germany till 1942

13. Have } alien(s) previously resided or visited in the United States? If so, give dates.

Applicant or husband

1923

Wife

1923

14. Educational background.

(Give names of schools and universities attended, degrees taken, and general field of studies so far as known to affiant.)

Applicant or husband

Public and Highschool in Munich
School of art in Karlsruhe

Wife

Public and Highschool in Munich

15. Where does (do) the alien(s) plan to reside if admitted into the United States?

In Millbury, Mass. in the home of their son

16. What professional or vocational field of activity does (do) the alien(s) plan to follow if admitted into the United States?

Applicant or husband

none

Wife

none

17. What is the source of the foregoing information?

(State whether from personal knowledge, statements made by alien, or from other sources.)

Personal knowledge

I attach hereto letters of reference from two reputable American citizens who can certify to my good standing and character, and whose names and addresses are given below:

(Two original letters need be submitted by sponsor to cover members of family group.)

Levi A. Olan

(Name)

78 Park Avenue, Worcester, Mass.

(Address)

Richard Bachmann, M.D.

(Name)

121 Chestnut Street, Springfield, Mass.

(Address)

Part C
AFFIDAVIT OF SUPPORT AND SPONSORSHIP ON BEHALF OF ALIEN DESIRING TO PROCEED TO THE UNITED STATES

STATE OF _____ } ss:
 COUNTY OF _____ }
 I, Ludwig Ballin, being duly sworn according to law depose and say as follows:
 That I was born on March 7, 1898, at Munich, Germany (Country)

That I am a citizen (or subject) of Germany stateless
 That I was lawfully admitted into the United States for permanent residence on April 5, 1939 at New York, N.Y. on the Veendam (Name of vessel or vehicle)

That I ~~was never arrested~~ ^{was arrested} as an American citizen on August 8, 1939, before the District of United States at New York, N.Y. (State)

That my occupation is physician (If employed, give name of employer), that during the past 5 years I have followed the occupation (s) of physician and sales man, that my business address is 38 Hamilton Street Millbury, Mass., that my home address is 38 Hamilton Street Millbury, Mass., that during the past 5 years I have resided at the following places: 5 Rumford Street Munich Germany
601 West 160 th Street New York N.Y. (City) (State)
38 Hamilton Street Millbury Mass. (City) (State)

That I have never been convicted on criminal charges nor are there any criminal charges¹ or civil suits pending against me before any court or tribunal except as follows: none

¹ The term "criminal charges" does not include minor charges (relating to misdemeanor) such as charges of breach of traffic laws or violation of local ordinances.

That I am a member of or am affiliated with the following parties, associations, societies, and other organizations, except American political parties and religious organizations:
Jewish Fraternity of the K.C. New York

That I ~~have been in Germany (and Italy now)~~ ^{have been in Germany (and Italy now)} an anarchist, communist, member of the Communist Party, affiliated with the Communist Party (if the answer is in the affirmative, give particulars): never

That I believe in the democratic form of government of the United States under the Constitution thereof; That there are attached hereto letters of reference from two reputable American citizens who can certify to my good standing and character, and whose names and addresses are given below:
 (Two original letters need be submitted by sponsor to cover members of family group.)

Levi A. Olan (Name) 78 Park Avenue, Worcester, Mass. (Address)
Richard Bachmann, M.D. (Name) 121 Chestnut Street, Quincy, Mass. (Address)

That I wish to act as sponsor for the following alien (s) who desire (s) to come to the United States:

Name	Relationship to (1)	Address	Age	Marital status*	Nationality	Relationship, if any, to sponsor
(1) <u>Martin Ballin</u>	<u>x x x x</u>	<u>Baden-Aargau</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>stateless</u>	<u>father</u>
(2) <u>Thekla Ballin</u>	<u>wife</u>	<u>Penzion</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>stateless</u>	<u>mother</u>
(3) _____	_____	<u>Prebst</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
(4) _____	_____	<u>Switzerland</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
(5) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

* S (single); M (married); W (widowed); D (divorced).

That I am convinced that the visa applicant (s) named above is (are) friendly to, the United States and well disposed toward the order and happiness of its people, and that he (she) (they) is (are) coming to the United States for a lawful purpose and will not engage in any activity contrary to the public safety of the United States. The reasons for this belief are as follows:
thorough knowledge acquired in closest contact during a life time

That I willingly assume the sponsorship of the aliens, visa applicants, referred to for the following reasons:
because they are my parents

The alien (s) does (do) not require financial sponsorship for the following reasons:

That my annual income is \$ 2175 for 5 months
 That in addition to my income I have the following resources: Bank deposits
 That evidence of my income and resources is attached hereto as follows:
see attached letters and statement

That I have never been adjudged bankrupt except as follows:
never

That the following persons are dependent upon me for their sole or principal means of support:
 _____ Name _____ Age _____
 _____ Relationship _____

or If they do not require financial support of State in a separate affidavit in this space.

This portion need not be filed out if the applicants are nonimmigrant visitors or transit aliens
citizenship. If the sponsor prefers, he may submit this information direct to the Department
single copy with supporting documents. In this case a statement to this effect should be made in

Annemarie Bellin wife 36
Eva R. Bellin daughter 13

That since July 1, 1941, I have previously executed affidavits or promises of support in the United States in behalf of the aliens named below:

Name	Address	Relationship, if any, to sponsor	Indicate date of arrival if in U.S.	Nationality	Indicate whether wholly or partially dependent on sponsor

That I have not promised any of the aliens above mentioned any employment in the United States except as follows:

That I personally promise and agree that during my lifetime I will save the United States and all States, Territories, counties, towns, municipalities, and districts thereof harmless against any losses or damages which may be suffered by reason of the fact that any of the persons above mentioned during their alienage shall become a public charge in the United States.

That in order to prevent the aliens above mentioned from becoming public charges after their arrival in the United States, I shall assume the responsibility for their support and I propose to discharge such responsibility in the following manner, if it shall become necessary:

I will have sufficient money with me and give them full free room and board and pocket money.
That I have read and verified the accuracy of the foregoing statements, which I believe to be correct, and that I hereby affix my signature and swear to this instrument without any mental reservation whatsoever.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20 day of June in the year 42 [SEAL]
(Signature of affiant)

(Notary public or other officer administering oath)

Witnessed without objection: _____ [SEAL]
(Spouse of affiant)

Part C AFFIDAVIT OF SUPPORT AND SPONSORSHIP ON BEHALF OF ALIEN DESIRING TO PROCEED TO THE UNITED STATES

STATE OF _____ } ss:
COUNTY OF _____ }

I, _____, being duly sworn according to law depose and say as follows:
That I was born on _____, at _____ (City or town) _____ (Country)

That I am a citizen (or subject) of _____
That I was lawfully admitted into the United States for permanent residence on _____ at _____ (Date)

That I _____ on the _____ (Name of vessel or vehicle) _____, before the _____ of _____ at _____ (City) _____ (State)
That my occupation is _____, that during the past 5 _____ (If employed, give name of employer)

years I have followed the occupation(s) of _____, that my
business address is _____, that my home address is _____, that during the past 5 years I have resided at the following

places: _____ (Street) _____ (City) _____ (State)
_____ (Street) _____ (City) _____ (State)
_____ (Street) _____ (City) _____ (State)

That I have never been convicted on criminal charges nor are there any criminal charges¹ or civil suits pending against me before any court or tribunal except as follows:

¹ The term "criminal charges" does not include minor charges (relating to misdemeanor) such as charges of breach of traffic laws or violation of local ordinances.
That I am a member of or am affiliated with the following parties, associations, societies, and other organizations, except American political parties and religious organizations:

That I { have been and am (am not) now } an anarchist, communist, member of the Communist Party, affiliated with the Communist Party (if the answer is in the affirmative, give particulars): _____

That I believe in the democratic form of government of the United States under the Constitution thereof;
That there are attached hereto letters of reference from two reputable American citizens who can certify to my good standing and character, and whose names and addresses are given below:
(Two original letters need be submitted by sponsor to cover members of family group.)

(Name) _____
(Address)

(Name)

(Address)

That I wish to act as sponsor for the following alien(s) who desire(s) to come to the United States:

Name	Relationship to (1)	Address	Age	Marital status*	Nationality	Relationship, if any, to sponsor
(1) _____	X X X X X X	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(2) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(3) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(4) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(5) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

* S (single) ; M (married) ; W (widowed) ; D (divorced).

That I am convinced that the visa applicant(s) named above is (are) friendly to the United States and well disposed toward the order and happiness of its people, and that he (she) (they) is (are) coming to the United States for a lawful purpose and will not engage in any activity contrary to the public safety of the United States. The reasons for this belief are as follows:

That I willingly assume the sponsorship of the aliens, visa applicants, referred to for the following reasons:

The alien(s) does (do) not require financial sponsorship for the following reasons:

That my annual income is \$ _____
That in addition to my income I have the following resources:
That evidence of my income and resources is attached hereto as follows:

That I have never been adjudged bankrupt except as follows:

That the following persons are dependent upon me for their sole or principal means of support:
Name Relationship Age

That since July 1, 1941, I have previously executed affidavits or promises of support in the United States in behalf of the aliens named below:

Name	Address	Relationship, if any, to sponsor	Indicate date of arrival if in U.S.	Nationality	Indicate whether wholly or partially dependent on sponsor
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

That I have not promised any of the aliens above mentioned any employment in the United States except as follows:

That I personally promise and agree that during my lifetime I will save the United States and all States, Territories, counties, towns, municipalities, and districts thereof harmless against any losses or damages which may be suffered by reason of the fact that any of the persons above mentioned during their alienage shall become a public charge in the United States.

That in order to prevent the aliens above mentioned from becoming public charges after their arrival in the United States, I shall assume the responsibility for their support and I propose to discharge such responsibility in the following manner, if it shall become necessary:

That I have read and verified the accuracy of the foregoing statements, which I believe to be correct, and that I hereby affix my signature and swear to this instrument without any mental reservation whatsoever.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____

(Signature of affiant)

[SEAL]

(Notary public or other officer administering oath)

Witnessed without objection: _____ (Spouse of affiant)

[SEAL]

Attention Is Called to the Penal Provisions of Section 22(c) of the Immigration Act of 1924, Which Reads as Follows:

"Whoever knowingly makes under oath any false statements, in any application, affidavit or other document required by the immigration laws, or regulations prescribed thereunder, shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than \$10,000, or imprisoned for not more than 5 years, or both." This affidavit must be executed by an American citizen or by an alien lawfully admitted into the United States for permanent residence who wishes to act as a sponsor for the alien(s) mentioned above who desire(s) to come to the United States. It is required that each alien shall have two sponsors each of whom shall execute a separate Part C in original and four legible copies. The affidavit may cover the members of a family group proceeding together to the United States. Failure to fill in all of the spaces as clearly and fully as possible will cause delay. When all of the required information has been filled in by typewriter, the form should be subscribed and sworn to before a notary public or other person authorized to administer oaths. The statements of the sponsor regarding his financial position should be corroborated by certified copy of his latest Federal income tax return and an affidavit from an officer of his bank regarding his deposits, showing the date the account was opened, the present balance, whether it was accumulated by small or lump-sum deposits, and any other information within the knowledge of the banker as to the sponsor's financial position, and an affidavit from a responsible source regarding his other assets, if any. If the documents referred to cannot be furnished, other documentary evidence should be submitted, such as an affidavit of the sponsor's employer, showing his salary and the length and permanency of the employment, or a statement from a commercial rating concern.

This portion need not be filled out if the applicants are nonimmigrant visitors or transit aliens or if they do not require financial sponsorship. If the sponsor prefers, he may submit this information direct to the Department of State in a separate financial affidavit in single copy with supporting documents. In this case a statement to this effect should be made in this space.