



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Mr. Corey LaMonte Sample
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Yardley, PA 19067

Dear Mr. Sample:

I refer to your letter dated June 30, 2003 requesting a Certificate of Non-Citizen National Status from the Secretary of State.

Section 308(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) [Title 8 U.S.C. §1408] provides, in pertinent part, that those born in outlying possessions of the United States shall be granted the status of United States non-citizen national. Only American Samoa and Swains Island are outlying possessions of the United States, and are so defined in §101(a)(29) of the INA. You were not born in American Samoa or Swains Island, hence you are not a United States non-citizen national.

In light of the aforementioned facts, the Department of State must decline to issue you a Certificate of Non-National Status. We are returning your personal check, number 579, in the amount of \$35.00.

The documentary evidence you have submitted shows that you were born on January 8, 1975, in Trenton, New Jersey. You may apply for a United States passport using your birth certificate. For more information on how to apply, please see our website at http://travel.state.gov/passport_services.html.

Sincerely:

Sharon Palmer-Royston
Chief - Legal Division
Office of Passport Policy & Advisory Services

Enc: Personal check number 579 (\$35.00 US)