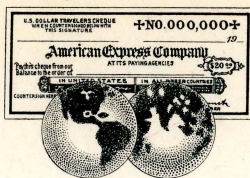


# AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY



JAMES J. BULGER  
ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT  
AND  
INSPECTOR

TRAVELERS CHEQUES, TRAVEL SERVICE  
HERE AND EVERYWHERE

Misc.

65 BROADWAY,  
NEW YORK

December 16, 1943.

Mr. Amon G. Carter, President  
Fort Worth Star-Telegram  
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

Travelers Cheques: Lt. Amon G. Carter, Jr.

We acknowledge and thank you for your letter December 14th concerning a purchase of American Express Travelers Cheques by Lt. Amon G. Carter, Jr., presently a **prisoner of** the Germans.

We have placed a stop payment against the Travelers Cheques enumerated in the communication.

1. Do you know what disposition was made of the Travelers Cheques? We presume they were destroyed.
2. When Travelers Cheques are lost, destroyed or stolen, it is customary for the purchaser to complete an Affidavit for Refund upon American Express Travelers Cheques. Attached is that form, with instructions.

Ordinarily, we would communicate with the purchaser at the address supplied. Before doing so, we shall appreciate your reaction. It is possible you may wish to send the form to Lt. Amon G. Carter, Jr.. If you do, may we have transmittal copy of your letter for our record.

If you consider it advisable for us to communicate direct, as soon as we receive your answer, we shall do so.

Enclosed is a business reply envelope for answer.

Yours truly,

JAMES J. BULGER,  
INSPECTOR.

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PLEASE READ BEFORE PREPARING THE ATTACHED "AFFIDAVIT FOR REFUND"

To expedite settlements for the alleged loss of American Express Travelers Cheques, and in order to take steps to recover the Travelers Cheques or prevent their negotiation, the claimant should complete the attached blank form of Affidavit. Each blank space should be filled in, especially the lower portion page one, explaining where, when and how the loss occurred. THIS IS IMPORTANT.



It is necessary to have full particulars concerning losses, because lost or stolen American Express Travelers Cheques often get into the hands of unscrupulous persons who forge signatures of owners. To obtain convictions, full particulars are helpful.

The signature should be the same as on the Travelers Cheques.

Married women should sign given name and married name, for example, "Mary Citizen (Mrs. John Citizen)".

If an additional sheet is required to give all the facts, the sheet should be initialed. Do not use the reverse of page one, if required use the additional sheet. If it is necessary to make any corrections, they should be initialed in the margin.

The Affidavit should be sworn to before a Notary Public.

The completed Affidavit should be sent to:

James J. Bulger, Inspector  
American Express Company  
65 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

AFFIDAVIT FOR REFUND UPON AMERICAN EXPRESS TRAVELERS CHEQUES

STATE OF )  
 )  
COUNTY OF )

1 .....being duly sworn deposes

2 and says: I reside at

3 City of State of

4 For the next days my address will be

5 My business or profession is

6 On or about the day of I purchased from

American Express Travelers Cheques of the face value of \$

7 The numbers of the travelers cheques purchased were

8 All of the travelers cheques above referred to were signed by me at the time of purchase in the upper left-hand corner.

9 Of the aforesaid travelers cheques I cashed Nos.

having a face value of \$

10 I cashed the last travelers cheque-s No-s.

at date of encashment

11 The following travelers cheques are still in my possession

12 The balance of the said travelers cheques, No.

were \* countersigned by me; and they passed out of my possession at the time and place in the manner hereinafter stated.

13

(Mention Bank or Institution, Place and Date encashed.)

\*State here whether countersigned or not, by you

Here state fully the circumstance under which the cheques were lost, exact hour, date and place of loss. Also state whether other valuables were lost or stolen at the same time and describe same.

14 When I discovered the loss I reported the same to

at

on as follows: (State nature of communication.)

15 Personal Call  }  
Letter  }  
Telegram  }

16 I hereby request the American Express Company to refund to me the face value of the aforesaid lost travelers cheques, to-wit:

of the face value of \$

17 While the travelers cheques were in my possession I kept them

18 The last time said travelers cheques were in my possession was on the  
day of 19 at A.M.  
P.M.

19 I hereby solemnly swear the above is a true statement of facts.

20 I hereby authorize the American Express Company to stop payment on these Travelers Cheques. Said cheques bear my genuine signature only in the upper left hand corner, and if any of them are presented for payment with my name signed thereto, in any other place, on the front or back of any said cheques, I do solemnly swear that such latter signature is a forgery. I have not received any value whatsoever on account of the cheques upon which claim is made herein and did not negotiate them, or transfer them to any person for value.

21 .....

22 Subscribed and sworn to before me

this day of 19 .

23

24 .....

State definitely where they were

Give exact hour, date and place.

Read this before your signature is placed on the line

Sign in the same manner as Travelers Cheques were signed at time of purchase.

Whoever takes the oath must state his or her official capacity and affix seal.