

5-Minute Genealogical Hint Passport Applications

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Passport Applications Contain Genealogical Information

- Name
- Others Included on Same Passport
- Place of Birth
- Date of Birth
- Date of Immigration
- Date of Naturalization
- Local Address
- Where Lived in Former Country
- Date of Application



Where To Find Passport Applications

- 1795-1925 Available at National Archives—not digitized

On microfilm: <https://www.archives.gov/research/passport/>

Indexes are digitized

- 1925 to Present- US Department of State-Passports-restricted to personal, minor child or incompetent person. Or you have the person's specific written authorization. Must apply –not digitized. Other requests are considered FOIA requests.

<http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/passports/services/obtain-copies-of-passport-records.html#1925toPresent>



Where to Find Applications-2

- FamilySearch—Free Site

[https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/United States, Passport Applications %28FamilySearch Historical Records](https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/United_States,_Passport_Applications_%28FamilySearch_Historical_Records)

- Ancestry.com Subscription Site- available at local libraries
- www.ancestry.com



Ancestry Search Field

The screenshot displays the Ancestry search interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Home', 'New', and 'Last viewed: Menahem Margolis'. The main search area includes a 'Search' section with two input fields: 'First & Middle Name(s)' and 'Last Name'. Below these is a section for 'Place your ancestor might have lived' with a dropdown for 'City, County, State, Country' and a 'Birth Year' input field. A 'SEARCH' button and a 'Show more options' link are also present. To the right of the search fields is a 'U.S. Census Records' section with a grid of years from 1940 to 1900. Below that is a 'More Collections' section listing various records, with a red arrow pointing to 'U.S. Immigration Collection'. The bottom left features a 'What's Happening at Ancestry' section with a list of new records, and the bottom right has a 'Jewish Name Variations' section with input fields for 'First name' and 'Country', and a 'SEARCH' button.

Immigration
Collection



U.S. Passport Applications 1795-1925

- Available from www.Ancestry.com

Name



Gender



Collection



A screenshot of the Ancestry website's search interface for 'Immigration & Travel'. The page features a search bar at the top with 'SEARCH' and 'HOME' buttons. Below the search bar, there are several filter sections: 'First & Middle Name(s)', 'Last Name', 'Sex', 'Month', 'Year', 'Location', 'Listed In', 'Birth', 'Departure', 'Arrival', and 'Origin'. There is also a 'Keyword' field and a 'Collection' filter set to 'Jewish'. The right side of the page has a 'Narrow by Category' section with links like 'Passenger Lists', 'Citizenship & Naturalization Records', and 'Border Crossings & Returns'. Below that is a 'Featured data collections' section listing various historical records. At the bottom, there is a 'Collection Information' section with a brief description of the data.

Results for Louis Borgenicht

The screenshot shows the Ancestry.com search results for Louis Borgenicht. The page title is "All Border Crossings & Passports results for Louis Borgenicht". The search filters on the left include the name "Louis Borgenicht" and "Male". The results are displayed in a table with two entries:

Category	Name	Birth Date	Birth Place
U.S. Passport Applications, 1795-1925	Louis Borgenicht	06 Aug 1882	Pikeland, 3 Jan 1903
U.S. Passport Applications, 1795-1925	Louis Borgenicht	Aug 1904	1904

Red arrows point from the text labels on the right to the corresponding rows in the table.

1921
Applica
tion

1904 Appli
cation



First Application 1904

State Where Applied

Name

Where going
Where Born

Immigration

Residence

Occupation

Date of Application

Application for Passport—Native Citizen
(No. 2712.) Printed and sold by John C. Clark & Co., 200 West 11th Street, Philadelphia.

No. 85050

No. 85049

Issued APR 14 1904

United States of America.

STATE OF New York
COUNTY OF New York
Louis Bergenicht A NATURALIZED AND LEGAL CITIZEN
OF THE UNITED STATES, do hereby apply to the Department of State at Washington for a passport
for European Countries
born of Galicia, Austria on the 13th day of August 1867, and

I do solemnly swear that I was born at Galicia
Austria on or about the 13th day
of August 1867, that I emigrated to the United States, sailing on board
the SS. ... from Hungary, Austria on or about the 3rd day
of August 1890, that I resided 14 years, uninterruptedly, in the United States,
from 1870 to 1884, at New York City that I was naturalized as a citizen
of the United States before the District Court of the Eastern District
of New York on the 10th day of March 1898, as
shown by the accompanying Certificate of Naturalization; that I was the husband person described
in said Certificate; that I was domiciled in the United States, my permanent residence being
at 23 Seventh Street in the City of New York where I follow
the occupation of Manufacturer of Automobiles; I am about to go abroad temporarily; and
that I intend to return to the United States with the purpose of resuming and performing the duties of citizenship therein.

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.
Further, I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States
against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and
that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion: So HELP ME GOD

Sworn to before me, this 13th day
of April 1904 at New York City
Henry ...
Notary Public

DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT.
Age, 37 years. Months, None
Stature, 5 feet 7/4 inches, Eng. Chin, Dark
Forehead, Broad Hair, Black
Eyes, Brown Complexion, Fair
Nose, Pointed Ears, None

IDENTIFICATION.
April 13th 1904
I hereby certify that I know the above named Louis Bergenicht
personally, and know him to be the identical person referred to in the within described Certificate of
Naturalization, and that the facts stated in his affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Darnell ...
Attorney of Witness

Applicant desires passport and to following address:
Louis Bergenicht
152-156 Houston St.
New York City

Birth Date

Residing

Naturalization

Physical

Description

Signature and
address



Other Suggested Records

Name

BD

Appl
Date

Spouse
Name

The screenshot shows a profile for Louis Borgenicht on Ancestry.com. The profile includes a photo, a birth date of 18 Aug 1862, a birth place of Racina, Galiza, Poland, and an application date of 3 Jun 1901. A spouse name, Regina Borgenicht, is also listed. The page features a 'Suggested Records' section on the right with several links to related records. Red arrows from the left point to the photo, birth date, application date, and spouse name fields.

Field	Value
Name	Louis Borgenicht
Birth Date	18 Aug 1862
Birth Place	Racina, Galiza, Poland
Age	38
Gender	Male
Passport Issue Date	3 Jun 1901
Passport Includes a Photo	No
Residence	Brooklyn, New York
Spouse Name	Regina Borgenicht

Suggested Records

- U.S. Social Security Application and Census Index, 1935-1967 - Louis Borgenicht
- New York, Passenger Lists, 1820-1957 - Louis Borgenicht
- New York, Passenger Lists, 1820-1961 - Louis Borgenicht
- U.S. Jewish Welfare Board, War Correspondence, 1917-1918 - Louis Borgenicht
- New York, State Census, 1905 - Louis Borgenicht
- Selected U.S. Naturalization Records - Original Documents, 1790-1914 - Louis Borgenicht

Suggested Other
Records



Second Application 1921

New Information on Application

Name of Spouse on same Passport and where she was born

Reason for second application

18911

The original and each copy of an application for a passport must have attached to it a copy of the applicant's photograph. A last, signed photograph of the applicant must accompany the application. The photographs must be on this paper, should have a light background, and be not over three inches in size.

[Section of 1918.]
[FORM FOR NATURALIZED CITIZEN.]

Not to be amended or used for travel without the express permission of the State of New York.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE
STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NEW YORK

I, Louis Berger, a NATURALIZED AND CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES, hereby apply to the Department of State at Washington, D.C., in support accompanied by my wife, Regina Berger, born at Perpetua Hungary on Aug. 16, 1862; that I emigrated to the United States, sailing from Hungary about June 16, 1897; that I resided 31 years, uninterruptedly, in the United States, from 1897 to 1921 at Brooklyn, New York; that I was naturalized as a citizen of the United States before the Court of New York at New York, on March 15, 1908 as shown by the Certificate of Naturalization presented herewith; that I am the SPONSORIAL PERSON described in said Certificate; that I have resided outside the United States during my naturalization at the following places for the following periods:

Austria Hungary from 1862 to 1897
Brooklyn on the State of New York where I follow the occupation of Dress Manufactures that I am about to go abroad temporarily, and intend to return to the United States within 3 month (months) with the purpose of residing and performing the duties of citizenship therein; and that I desire a passport for me in visiting the countries hereinafter named for the following purpose:

Czechs-Slovakia Cleves spirit relative
Home, Ireland, Italy, Holland, Belgium
visit relatives

I intend to leave the United States from the port of New York sailing on board the Laplant on June 2, 1921

My last passport was obtained from U.S. Sec'y of State 17 years ago and was destroyed by me

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

Further, I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion. So help me God.

Louis Berger

Return to before me this 16 day of MAY 1921 10326

Notary Public

Philip H. Abrahamson

Notary Public, Department of State

FEE RECEIVED
MAY 31 1921

Stamp: WASHINGTON, D.C. JUN 1 1921 DENIED BY STATE DEPT. N.Y. POLAND

Countries plan on visiting

Name of Ship Going to Sail On



Borgenichts In Europe 1904

Regina



Louis