

of citizenship is, or has been, granted under this Act, on the application of the said person,

(a) if the said person is the responsible parent of the child, and

(b) if the child was born before the date of the certificate granted to the said person and has been lawfully admitted to Canada for permanent residence. 5

Period in armed forces or public service equivalent to residence.

(4) Any period during which an applicant for a certificate of citizenship has served in the armed forces of Canada or was employed outside of Canada in the public service of Canada or of a province thereof, otherwise than as a locally engaged person, shall be treated as equivalent to a period of residence in Canada for the purposes of subsection one and subsection two of this section. 10

Period in penitentiary etc., not to be counted as residence.

(5) No period during which an applicant for a certificate of citizenship was confined in or an inmate of any penitentiary, gaol, reformatory, prison, or asylum for the insane, in Canada, shall be counted as a period of residence in Canada for the purposes of subsection one and subsection two of this section. 15 20

Grant of certificate of citizenship in certain cases.

11. The Minister may, in his discretion, upon application, grant a certificate of citizenship to

(a) a person with respect to whose status as a Canadian citizen a doubt exists and the certificate may specify that the grant thereof is made for the purpose of removing doubts as to whether the person named therein is a Canadian citizen and the granting of the certificate shall not be deemed to establish that the person to whom it is granted was not previously a Canadian citizen; 25 30

(b) a minor in any special case whether or not the conditions required by this Act have been complied with; or

(c) a person who was an alien and who was naturalized under any Naturalization Act in force in Canada before the passing of *The Naturalization Act, 1914*. 35 40

1914, c. 44.

Certificate not effective till oath of allegiance taken.

12. A certificate of citizenship granted to any person under this Part, other than to a minor under the age of fourteen years, shall not take effect until the applicant has taken the oath of allegiance set forth in the Second Schedule to this Act, and thereupon the said person shall become a Canadian citizen. 40

Certificate not to be granted to persons under a disability.

13. Except as provided by this Act in the case of minors, a certificate of citizenship shall not be granted to any person under a disability. 45

Rehearing.

14. (1) Before granting a certificate of citizenship to any person whose application has been approved by the court, the Minister may, if he is in doubt whether the