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# APPLICATION FOR INSANITY INQUEST

TO THE JUDGE OF THE <sup>CIRCUIT</sup> ~~SUPERIOR~~ COURT OF Adams County, Indiana:

Your informant respectfully represents that one Gene Gay now residing in said county, is insane and a fit subject for custody and treatment in a State Hospital for Insane, as he verily believes, and he therefore asks that necessary steps be taken to examine into his condition, as the law provides in such cases. Your informant further states that to his best knowledge and belief, the legal settlement of said Gene Gay is in Indiana; that said Gene Gay came to Indiana July 22, 1927 (Date) and became a resident of Adams County from July 22, 1927 (Date). This person's places of residence for three years prior to coming to Indiana were

In making this petition, I do hereby certify that I am a Father of said Gene Gay; that I am a legal resident of Adams County,

and that my address is R. R. 4 Decatur, Indiana

In case of emergency, notify Harvey Gay R. R. 4 Decatur, Indiana (Name and Address of relative or friend)

Telephone None Telegraph station Decatur

## PERSONAL HISTORY

Of Gene Gay

Born (Month) July (Day) 22 (Year) 1927 Place Decatur, Indiana

Color Wh Sex M Married Single yes Widowed Divorced Separated

IF A WOMAN: Is she pregnant? Number of children borne Present age of youngest

Has she passed menopause?

Birthplace of father Adams Co., Indiana Birthplace of mother Adams Co., Indiana

If person is of foreign birth, give date of entry into the United States Port of entry Steamship line Steamship

If of foreign birth, is person naturalized?

Education: None Reads only Reads and writes Common school

High school College Religion Occupation Section R. R. (temporary) Where last employed and how long?

Estate: Value None Nature

Guardian: Name Address

## HISTORY OF INSANITY

How long have you known this person? Life Have you known this person intimately? Yes  
When was the first sign of insanity observed by you? Year  
What was the first sign of insanity observed by you? Wants to kill

Was the present attack gradual or sudden in its onset? Both, usually sudden  
State what leads you to believe this person is insane Wanting to kill, cannot be pleased.

What moral deficiencies have been shown? destruction

What was the mental and moral disposition in health? good  
Number of previous attacks of mental disorder? Last 3 months - one to two a week  
Has this person been a patient in any hospital for insane? No Where, when and how long?

Has this person suffered serious physical injury? Yes! If so, give particulars Fall on a fence post, also hit with ball bat

Has this person suffered any serious illness? None State when and of what nature

Has this person suffered any great mental shock or strain? None Explain fully  
Has this person required feeding, seclusion or restraint? None Explain fully

Has this person been addicted to any drugs? None

(Answer yes or no.) Is person paralytic? No Violent? Yes Destructive? Yes  
Depressed? Doesn't care Homicidal? Yes Suicidal? No Is there any physical defect or deformity? None  
Has person ever suffered from syphilis? No Has there been a Wasserman test? No Positive?  
Negative? Does person indulge or has person indulged in any venereal excess? No  
Is person epileptic? No Was person feeble-minded in childhood? No

FAMILY HISTORY

Give name and address of following relatives. (If dead, state cause of death and age at death.)

	NAME	ADDRESS	IF DEAD	
			Cause	Age at Death
Father	Harvey Gay	R. R. 4 Decatur		
Mother (Maiden Name)	Drake	" " " "		
Father's father	George Gay		Old Age	82
Father's mother	Jane Chronister		Old Age	75
Mother's father	John Drake		Old Age	78
Mother's mother	Carolina Myers		Old Age	70
Brother	Doyle Gay	Cold water, Mich.		
Sister	Marjorie Helen Lucile	North Manchester, Ind. Decatur, Indiana Decatur, Indiana		

Which of person's parents, grandparents, brothers, sisters, uncles or aunts, if any (give name) ever had the following diseases:

Insanity None                      Epilepsy None  
 Spasms None                        Fainting spells None  
 Nervous prostration None        Hysteria None  
 Feeble-mindedness None         Tuberculosis None  
 Syphilis None

Was either of the person's parents or grandparents intemperate in the use of alcohol? No  
 Was either of person's parents or grandparents addicted to the use of opium, cocaine or other narcotics? No

The statement of W. E. Smith M. D., the attending physician, is filed herewith and made a part hereof.

The undersigned citizen of said county, upon oath, declares that the foregoing allegation, personal history, family history and history of persons's insanity, are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1 day of June 19 48  
 EDWARD F. JABERG, CLERK  
 Notary Public or County Clerk

STATEMENT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

I, W.E. Smith M. D., of Decatur, Indiana in the County of Adams  
 Indiana, do hereby certify that I am licensed to practice medicine in the State of Indiana; that on  
 the 18 day of May 19 48 I did carefully and personally examine Gene Gay  
 and believe him to be suffering from mental disease, and I am of the opinion that he is a proper person for admission to a  
 State Hospital. I have observed the following facts regarding his mental and physical condition:  
 Apparently lacking in some endocrines, over-heavy, sullen, morose, very  
 in conversation, very temperamental  
 I further certify that patient is free from any contagious disease and from vermin.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of June 19 48  
 W.E. SMITH M. D.  
 EDWARD F. JABERG, CLERK  
 Notary Public

VACCINATION

This is to certify that the said Gene Gay  
 by myself, or by another physician, to my positive knowledge within 60 days of this date.  
 Date June 2, 1948 19  
 W.E. Smith M. D.

STATEMENT OF MEDICAL EXAMINER

I, James M. Burk M. D., of Decatur, Indiana in the County of Adams  
 Indiana, do hereby certify that I am duly licensed to practice medicine in Indiana; that I am not related by consanguinity or marriage  
 to Gene Gay of said County, who is alleged to be insane and whom I have carefully and personally  
 examined this 1 day of July 19 48 : that I am of the opinion that he is mentally  
 ill and is a proper person for detention, care and treatment in a State Hospital; and that I have formed my opinion that  
 he is mentally ill from the following facts observed by me. (Describe physical and mental conditions, appearance  
 and behavior of patient.) Physically strong and healthy. Talks frankly and intelligently when parents  
 not present but becomes violent and threatens to do them bodily harm when he sees parents. Is  
 very unstable in that he has not held any job very long, is temperamental, but can probably recover  
 with treatment.

I have also received the following information from others relative to the patient's condition:

Assaulted parents, threatened to kill them. Locked room at home, tore bedding apart cut door and woodwork with knife, deposited filth in closet, refused to allow room to be cleaned. Is at times very careless of person, becomes morose and sullen with periods of violence.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3 day of July 19 48 JAMES M. BURK, M.D. EDWARD F. JABERG, CLERK Notary Public

STATEMENT OF MEDICAL EXAMINER

I, G.J. KOHNE M.D., of Decatur, Indiana in the County of Adams Indiana, do hereby certify that I am duly licensed to practice medicine in Indiana; that I am not related, by consanguinity or marriage, to Gene Gay of said County, who is alleged to be insane, and whom I have carefully and personally examined this 1 day of July 19 48 ; that I am of the opinion that he is mentally ill and is a proper person for detention, care and treatment in a State Hospital; and that I have formed my opinion that he is mentally ill from the following facts observed by me. (Describe physical and mental conditions, appearance and behavior of patient.) Apparently is docile and answers questions intelligently; this is reverse when parents are present and appears excited and threatens them harm.

I have also received the following information from others relative to the patient's condition:

Threatened parents and frequently quarreled with father and attacks him. Locks himself in room and was destructive to furniture and woodwork.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6 day of July 19 48 G.J. KOHNE M.D. EDWARD F. JABERG, CLERK Notary Public

JUDGE'S ORDER OF COMMITMENT

In the matter of the application for the commitment of Gene Gay to the Richmond State Hospital: Comes now Harvey Gay who filed application for the commitment of Gene Gay to the Richmond State Hospital, alleging therein that said Gene Gay is a resident of Adams County and has legal settlement in the State of Indiana, and is insane. And having read such application and heard such other evidence as was deemed necessary to a full investigation of the facts stated in such application, I Earl B. Adams Judge of the Circuit Court of the County of Adams Indiana, do hereby find and determine that the said Gene Gay is insane and is in need of hospital care, and do hereby order h committed to the Richmond State Hospital; and this shall be sufficient warrant and authority for h is admission, confinement and detention for care and treatment in said hospital until he shall be restored to health, or removed or discharged according to law. And the clerk of this court is hereby directed to apply forthwith to the superintendent of the Richmond State Hospital for the admission of the said Gene Gay and to transmit with said application to said superintendent for his information, copies of all statements and certificates submitted, and to certify thereto under seal of this court.

EARL B. ADAMS Judge of the Adams Circuit Court

STATE OF INDIANA

Adams COUNTY } SS: I, Edward F. Jaberg Clerk of the Superior Court of said county, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the application, including statement of the attending physician, for the commitment of Gene Gay to the Richmond State Hospital; and the statements of the two medical examiners appointed by the court to examine said person, and the court's order of commitment in said matter.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and fix the seal of said court, this 9 day of July 19 48 EDWARD F. JABERG Clerk

[SEAL]

ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION

Transcripts of all the foregoing statements and certificates duly certified under the seal of the court were transmitted to the Superintendent and afterwards, to wit: On the 13 day of July 19 48, an answer was received as follows:

STATE HOSPITAL July 13 19 48

To the Clerk of the Adams Circuit Court, Adams County, Indiana:

The receipt of a transcript of the proceedings in the matter of the inquest as to the insanity of Gene Gay with application for the admission of said person into this Hospital, is hereby respectfully acknowledged. According to the provisions of an Act Concerning Insanity Inquests, etc., approved March 4th, 1927, the application is

M. D. Medical Superintendent

ORDER OF COURT

The receipt of the acceptance of the application for the admission of Gene Gay to the Easthaven State Hospital, as a patient was referred to the Judge of Adams Circuit Court of Adams County, Indiana, and being fully advised he made an order directing that be conveyed to said hospital, either by a relative or relatives, or a friend or friends, if they so desire; and if they, or any of them, do not so desire, by a suitable attendant, or by the County Sheriff, together with a female attendant, if the patient be a female, as required by law and that due return be made of the complete execution of this order.

Witness my hand and the seal of Adams Circuit Court, Adams County, this 14 day of July 19 48 Edward F. Jaberg Clerk P. O. Address of Patient R. R. #4 St. Indiana.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECEIPT

STATE HOSPITAL

RECEIVED, this 15 day of August A. D. 19 48 the patient named in the above order of court

ALFRED SNEDEKER M. D. Medical Superintendent

RETURN ON COMMITMENT

CAME TO HAND July 14 19 48, and served by conveying the within named Gene Gay and committing him to the Richmond State Hospital, as shown by the Superintendent's receipt hereon endorsed this 15 day of July 19 48

HERMAN BOWMAN, SHERIFF

Form No

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RICHMOND STATE HOSPITAL

RICHMOND, IND., October 13th, 19 54.

TO THE CLERK OF Adams County CIRCUIT COURT:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SEC. 2, CHAP. 263, ACTS 1933

THAT Gene Gay, A PATIENT OF THIS HOSPITAL HAS BEEN DISCHARGED

THIS 13th DAY OF October, 19 54. IN MY OPINION, SAID PATIENT

(STRIKE OUT LINES THAT DO NOT APPLY)

~~DEPENDENTLY RECOVERED TO BE RELEASED~~

IS RESTORED TO MENTAL HEALTH

~~RECOVERABLE AND MAINTAIN AND SHOULD BE RELEASED TO CARE OF HIS NEAREST RELATIVE~~

SAID PATIENT WAS COMMITTED TO THIS HOSPITAL July 13th, 19 48 BY THE

CIRCUIT COURT OF Adams COUNTY, HIS ADDRESS AT THAT TIME BEING GIVEN

AS R.R. # 4, Decatur, Indiana

(FILL OUT "1" OR "2" AND STRIKE OUT THE OTHER)

1. SAID PATIENT WAS RELEASED FROM THIS HOSPITAL April 11th, 19 54.

TO Miss Arno Withers, Executive Sec. Family Service Association.

AND IS NOW RESIDING AT Y. M. C. A. (In Richmond)

2. YOU ARE RESPECTFULLY REQUESTED TO CAUSE SAID PATIENT TO BE REMOVED FROM THE HOSPITAL TO YOUR COUNTY, AS PROVIDED IN SEC. 19, CHAP. 69, ACTS 1927.

SEAL OF HOSPITAL

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS 13th DAY OF October, 19 54.

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES November 9th, 19 57.

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