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**CONSENT TO SERVE AS A PARTICIPANT IN A RESEARCH PROJECT**

**Project Title: "Parallel Lives - an Oral History of Jack and Wanda, Wanda and Jack"**  
**Subtitled: "A Canadian American, Davis-Keefe Experience"**

**Project Director/Investigator:** Dr. David Gerwin Department: SEYS  
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You are being asked to participate in a research project conducted through Queens College CUNY. Queens College requires that you give your signed authorization to participate in this research project.

A basic explanation of the project is written below. Please read this explanation and discuss it with the Research Investigator. If you then decide to participate in the research project, please sign the last page of this form.

**Nature and Purpose of the Project:**

The interviews are being conducted To be able to compare the experience of two nationals [Canadian and American] of similar events from 1930 to 1970 with special focus on 1940-1960. The subjects interviews would also be compared to experience reported by contemporaries in such works as David Kennedy's Freedom from Fear, Arthur Schlesinger's A Life in the 20th Century; John Jefferies' Wartime America and Robert S. McElvain's The Great Depression.

**Explanation of Procedures:**

The participants will be asked to reminisce with the aid of artifacts from their lives, including but not limited to their correspondence, pictures, other memorabilia and recordings or transcripts from previous attempts to construct a family history. It is expected that any interview session would be less than two hours duration and that all the interviews would be completed by June 2001.

**Potential Discomfort and Risks:**

No potential discomfort or risks identified. The interviewee will be able to review transcripts and add additional information, which may clarify statements or limit potential for misunderstanding.

**Potential Benefits:**

Increased access for family members, researchers and possibly the general public to interviewees experiences.

**Costs/Reimbursements:**

No costs to interviewees, no reimbursement. All recording and production costs to be covered by the interviewer.

**Alternatives to Participation:**

In addition to oral interviews the participants may also contribute written statements or any other relevant material, [news clippings, previous interviews, notes etc.].

**Termination of Participation:**

No situation is foreseen in which the interviewer would terminate the subject's participation. If the subject is unable to participate further in follow-up interviews (e.g. it is impossible to arrange a time to meet with the subject) the final product presentation will be based on the materials previously provided by the interviewee.

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**Confidentiality:** Records and data will be stored: at residence of Adhiratha Kevin Keefe. Where requested a copy of all audio tapes as well as transcripts for all those tapes transcribed and a copy of a CD if produced will be provided to the interviewees.

**How long will records and data be kept?** Record and data will be kept at A.K.Keefe residence as long as practical. If a recognized depository is identified during the time of the project copies of the data will be provided. No guarantee is provided for long-term retention beyond providing copies of the original material within in one year of the initial recording.

The records and the data kept at A.K.Keefe residence will not be intentionally destroyed, but no exceptional procedures are planned to assure the long term preservation of the final products beyond what interviewees or individual family members may do with their copies.

**Who will have access to study records and data?**

A copy of the final Masters thesis or project of AKK, which makes reference to these materials, will be provided to Queens College. If a formal relationship is established with a recognized depository willing to accept and preserve the source material during the course of this project, the access to the original source material will depend on the agreement established with the depository. Researchers are also free to contact the interviewer or interviewees to inquire where a copy might be reviewed.

**What procedures, if any, will be used to protect confidentiality?** The identity of the interviewer and interviewees will be provided. Except where a part of an interview or document is specifically selected out by the interviewer or interviewee all readily available source information from this project not previously published by the participants as of 01 June 2002 will be considered part of the public record. If someone other than the interviewer or interviewees is going to quote extensively from the material, every effort should be made to provide notice to the interviewees prior to publication.

**Withdrawal from the Project:** Your participation in this research project is completely voluntary. You may decide to stop participating in this project at any time without penalty. You are free to leave at any time.

**Who to Call if you have any Questions:** The approval stamp on this consent form indicates that this project has been reviewed and approved for the period indicated by the Queens College (CUNY) Institutional Review Board for the Protection of Human Subjects in Research and Research Related Activities.

If you have any questions about your rights as a research participant, or to report a research related injury, you may call:

Office of Research and Sponsored Programs,  
Queens College (CUNY),  
Telephone # (718) 997-5400.

If you have concerns or questions about the conduct of this research project you may call:

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**What Signing this Forms Means:**

By signing this consent form, you agree to participate in this research project. The purpose, procedures to be used, as well as, the potential risks and benefits of your participation have been explained to you in detail. You can refuse to participate or withdraw from this research project at anytime without penalty. Refusal to participate in this study or withdrawal from this study will have no effect on any services you may otherwise be entitled to from Queens College (CUNY). You will be given a copy of this consent form.

WANDA D. KEEFE  
Printed Name of Participant

Wanda D. Keefe  
Participant Signature

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Today's Date

Adhiratha Kevin Keefe  
Printed Name of Research/Study Investigator

Adhiratha Kevin Keefe  
Signature of Research/Study Investigator

01 Feb 2001  
Today's Date

**Institutional Review Board Approval Stamp:**

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