



**ITALIAN REPUBLIC**

**In the name of the Italian People**

**COURT OF PALERMO**

Specialized Section in matters of Immigration, International Protection and Free Movement of  
European Union Citizens

The Court, in the person of the Honorary Judge (G.O.P.) Carmela Caranna, having lifted the reservation taken at the hearing of 16 April 2026, hereby issues the following

**JUDGMENT**

in the civil proceedings registered under No. R.G. [REDACTED], brought by:

[REDACTED] Tax Code [REDACTED] born in [REDACTED] (USA), on [REDACTED]  
resident at [REDACTED] (USA), electing domicile in Milan, Via Fabio Filzi  
no. 41, at the law office of Attorney Salvatore Aprigliano, by whom she is represented and defended,  
pursuant to the power of attorney on file,

Applicant

v.

Ministry of the Interior, in the person of the Minister pro tempore,

Respondent

SUBJECT: Recognition of Italian citizenship jure sanguinis

CONCLUSIONS: as per written submissions in lieu of hearing pursuant to Article 127-ter of the Italian Code of Civil Procedure, filed on 15 April 2026 on behalf of the applicant.

**FACTS AND LAW**

By application pursuant to Article 281-decies of the Italian Code of Civil Procedure, filed on 16 May 2025, the applicant brought proceedings before this Court seeking recognition of Italian citizenship jure sanguinis.

To this end, she alleged that she is related by blood and is a direct descendant of [REDACTED] (also known as [REDACTED] see Exhibit 4), born in [REDACTED] (AG) on [REDACTED], who emigrated to the United States, where, on 20 December 1903, [REDACTED] (also



emigrated to the United States, where, on 20 December 1903, she married [REDACTED] known as [REDACTED].

From their union, [REDACTED]

The applicant documented that [REDACTED] (also known as [REDACTED] never became naturalized as a U.S. citizen (see Exhibit 10).

The present applicant, given the impossibility of obtaining recognition of Italian citizenship through administrative channels due to the lengthy waiting times at the competent Consulate, brought proceedings before this Court seeking a declaration of her status as an Italian citizen *jure sanguinis*.

The case, having been instructed through documentary evidence, was taken under advisement for decision at the hearing of 16 April 2026. The present proceedings were entered in the register under the regime of Decree-Law No. 36 of 28 March 2025, as amended by the conversion Law of 23 May 2025, No. 74. Article 1 of the aforementioned legislative text provides, first and foremost, a general prohibition on the recognition of Italian citizenship for those “who were born abroad, even prior to the entry into force of this provision, and who hold another citizenship, unless one of the following conditions applies”; it then lists specific circumstances in which such recognition may be granted, namely:

“a) the status of citizen of the interested party is recognized, in compliance with the legislation applicable as of 27 March 2025, following an application, accompanied by the necessary documentation, submitted to the competent consular office or mayor no later than 23:59 (Rome time) on that same date;

a-bis) the status of citizen of the interested party is recognized, in compliance with the legislation applicable as of 27 March 2025, following an application, accompanied by the necessary documentation, submitted to the competent consular office or mayor on the date indicated in an appointment communicated to the interested party by the competent office no later than 23:59 (Rome time) on that same date of 27 March 2025;

b) the status of citizen of the interested party is judicially ascertained, in compliance with the legislation



applicable as of 27 March 2025, following a judicial application filed no later than 23:59 (Rome time) on that same date;

c) a first- or second-degree ascendant possesses, or possessed at the time of death, exclusively Italian citizenship;

d) a parent or adoptive parent resided in Italy for at least two continuous years following the acquisition of Italian citizenship and prior to the date of birth or adoption of the child.”

Applying the above-mentioned statutory provisions to the present case, it follows that:

- With regard to the condition set out under letter (a), there is no evidence of the submission of an “application, accompanied by the necessary documentation, submitted to the competent consular office or mayor no later than 23:59 (Rome time) on that same date,” namely 27 March 2025.

With regard to letter (a-bis), there is no evidence of the submission of an application “accompanied by the necessary documentation, submitted to the competent consular office or mayor on the date indicated in an appointment communicated to the interested party by the competent office no later than 23:59 (Rome time) on that same date of 27 March 2025.”

Turning to the case governed by letter (b), namely where the status of citizen is judicially ascertained, which requires that the application be “filed no later than 23:59 (Rome time) on that same date,” i.e., 27 March 2025, it is evident that the petition was filed well beyond that deadline. In the present case, in fact, the proceedings were entered in the general register on 16 May 2025.

In the present case, moreover—and with reference to the provisions under letters (c) and (d) of Article 1—Italian citizenship was held by ascendants within the “first or second degree,” as [REDACTED] is the daughter of [REDACTED] who in turn is the daughter of the relevant ancestor, [REDACTED] Valuri (also known as [REDACTED]).

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In light of all the foregoing considerations, the application submitted by the present applicant must be upheld.

Considering the novelty of the subject matter and the purely documentary nature of the proceedings, there are valid grounds to order that legal costs be borne by the applicant.



**FOR THESE REASONS**

The Honorary Judge (G.O.P.), finally ruling, hereby decides as follows:

Upholds the application and, consequently, declares that

[REDACTED], Tax Code [REDACTED], born in [REDACTED], on [REDACTED] is an Italian citizen from birth;

Orders the Ministry of the Interior and, through it, the competent Civil Status Registrar, to carry out the registrations, transcriptions, and annotations required by law in the civil status registers regarding the citizenship of the person indicated, including any necessary communications to the competent consular authorities;

Orders that legal costs be borne by the applicant.

Palermo, 20 April 2026

The Honorary Judge (G.O.P.)

Carmela Caranna

