BERKOWICZ (originally Aufman/Offman) Judka (1803?-1884), a scribe. He came from Radomsko, the son of Berek Isachar Dow and Dwojra.

He came to Częstochowa at the beginning of 1830. He was a *sofer* (a writer of Torah scrolls and prayer-parchments for *mezuzot* and *tefillin*), but he also worked for the *gmina* as a synagogue attendant. He died on 26th April 1884 in Częstochowa and was buried in the local cemetery.

His first wife (from 1830) was Sara Sora née Lustberg, the daughter of Szmaja and Perla (1808?-1849 Częstochowa), with whom he had two sons- \rightarrow Szmaja Berkowicz and the teacher Rachmil Berkowicz (1837–1902).

His second wife (from 1853) was Rywka née Sztal, prevously Szmulowicz (1808? - 1866 Częstochowa).

APCz, group 58, marriage certificates 2/1830 and 18/1853, death certificate 38/1884.

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