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STATE OF IOWA            )  
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I, Samuel H. Braland, being first duly sworn on oath depose and state as follows, for the purpose of clarifying the record chain of title to the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lots Three (3) and Four (4) and the South 42 feet of Lot Two (2) in Block Eighteen (8) of the Original Addition to the Town of Earlham, Madison County, Iowa.

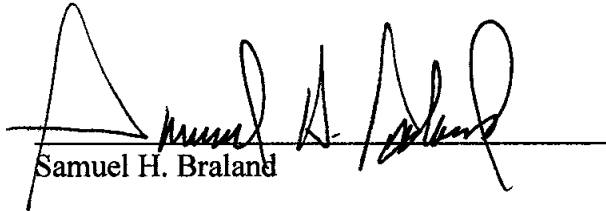
I am an attorney at law licensed in the State of Iowa, and I maintain my office in Earlham, Madison County, Iowa.

I am knowledgeable of the identity and person of Cody J. Yost, and Deborah A. Yost who is now known as Deborah A. Coffman. After investigation, I know of my own personal knowledge that Cody J. Yost and Deborah A. Yost, who is now known as Deborah A. Coffman, were married to each other and were husband and wife on April 22, 1997 when they executed a real estate contract under which they sold the above described real estate to B. D. Bell and Rebecca L. Bell as buyers of said real estate. I also know that Cody J. Yost and Deborah A. Yost were married and were husband and wife on June 3, 1997 when the real estate contract was recorded in Book 61, Page 734, in the Office of the Recorder of Madison County, Iowa.

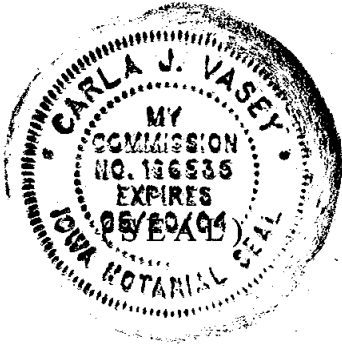
I am knowledgeable of the identity and person of Rebecca L. Bell who with her husband B. D. Bell purchased the above described real estate pursuant to the real estate contract referred to in the preceding paragraph. I know that the marriage of B. D. Bell and Rebecca L. Bell was dissolved on October 19, 1998 pursuant to decree of dissolution of marriage entered by the Iowa District Court For Madison County, DM 005103, and that Rebecca L. Bell resumed her former name of Rebecca Lynn Merial. I know of my own personal knowledge that wherever in the chain of title to the above described real estate the names Rebecca L. Bell, Rebecca Lynn Bell, Rebecca Lynn Merial, and Rebecca L. Merial appear, they refer to one and the same person. I further know that Rebecca L. Merial has remained a single person since the decree of dissolution of marriage of October 19, 1998 and the date of this affidavit. I further know that wherever in the chain of title to the above described real estate the names Blaine David Bell, Blaine D. Bell, and B. D. Bell appear, they refer to one and the same person.

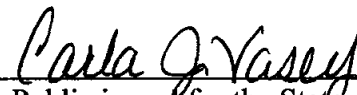
I know of my own personal knowledge that in the chain of title where it is stated that the above described real estate is located in the "Original Addition" to the Town of Earlham, Madison County, Iowa, or in the "Original Town" of Earlham, Madison County, Iowa, that said description refers to one and the same location in Earlham, that being the Original Town of Earlham, Madison County, Iowa.

The matters set forth herein are matters of which I have personal knowledge. The statements and allegations contained herein are true and correct as I verily believe.

  
Samuel H. Braland

Subscribed and sworn to before me and in my presence by the said Samuel H. Braland this 21st day of August, 2001.



  
Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa.