of $2,000, and that no proceedings were had in any court for the administration of his estate.

I further state that I am in no way interested in the title to the real estate affected hereby, but make this affidavit at the request of the present owner thereof for the purpose of establishing of record the facts above set forth.

H. C. Fosher

NOTARIAL SEAL

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me by the above named affiant this 15th day of May, A. D. 1948.

Esther Cochran Notary Public
in and for Madison County, Iowa.

Starless Products Company To John Armbrest — #2404 — Fee $ .50 VC

Filed for record the 28 day of May A. D. 1948 at 10:00 o'clock A. M.
Wilma M. Wade, Recorder

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Starless Products Company of Madison County and State of Iowa have made, constituted and appointed, and by these presents do make, constitute and appoint John Armbrest of Madison County and State of Iowa, true and lawful attorney, and in our name, place and stead to endorse the name Starless Products Company to checks or drafts made payable to the order of Starless Products and receive payment thereon. To attend such matters as pertain to the business of the Company, and with full authority to start suit for collection of accounts due said Company. giving and granting unto him said attorney, full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever, requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully, to all intents and purposes as might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution and revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that he said attorney or his substitute shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof

Signed this 28th day of May, A. D. 1948.

Starless Products Co.
Chas Armbrest Sec. & Treas.

STATE OF IOWA, Madison County) ss.

On this 28th day of May A. D. 1948 before me personally appeared Chas. Armbrest to me known to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same as his voluntary act and deed.

NOTARIAL SEAL

Cloyde R Mills Notary Public
in and for said County.

Lester C. Johnson et al To The Public — #2438 — Fee $.80 VC

Filed for record the 1 day of June A. D. 1948 at 4:00 o'clock P. M.
Wilma M. Wade, Recorder

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF IOWA MADISON COUNTY) SS

I, LESTER C. JOHNSON, and I, MABEL E. SIMMONS, being first duly sworn, on oath depose and say (each of us speaking for himself only) that on February 11, 1920, our father, S. B. Johnson, and our mother, Victoria Johnson, executed a mortgage of Five Thousand ($5,000) Dollars to the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, said mortgage covering the North Half of the Southwest Quarter and the West 33.60 acres of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section Eighteen (18) Township Seventy-six (76) North, Range Twenty-seven (27) West of the Fifth P. M., Madison County, Iowa; that said mortgage is found of record in Mortgage Record Book 48 at Page 524 of the records of the office of the County Recorder of Madison County, Iowa; that said mortgage was extended of record on at least three different occasions, the last of which extension agreement was executed by us, by our father, S. B. Johnson, and by our mother, Victoria Johnson, to the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company on December 23, 1935. That this extension agreement is shown of record in Mortgage Record Book 86 at Page 208 of the records of the office of the County Recorder of Madison County, Iowa. That at the time of the execution of said extension agreement we had no interest in the property mortgaged to the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company and joined with our father and mother in the extension of the time of payment of said mortgage indebtedness merely to afford additional security and at the request of

the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company.

That our father, S. B. Johnson, who was one and the same person as Samuel B. Johnson, died testate a resident of Winterset, Madison County, Iowa, on the 23rd day of January, 1937, seized in fee of certain real estate, a part of which is described as the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section Eighteen (18), Township Seventy-six (76) North, Range Twenty-seven (27) West of the Fifth P. M., Madison County, Iowa; that under the terms of the Will of our father, he left our mother, Victoria Johnson, a life estate in certain real estate; that shortly after the death of our father and after the Will had been admitted to probate our mother was given a copy of our father's Will and after she had read it she told us that our father had left her a life estate in the property and that she would accept the terms of said Will and consider that she had a life estate in our father's property; that shortly thereafter, Charles D. Van Werden, attorney for L. L. Blomgren, Executor of our father's will, brought a paper to my mother's home while she was living in Winterset, Iowa, and explained to her that that paper signified her desire and intention to accept the terms of our father's Will in which he left a life estate to her and that our mother signed said Election and Mr. Van Werden took the signed Election to accept under the terms of the Will of our father and said he would file it with the Clerk of the District Court of Madison County, Iowa; that we presumed said Election had been on file since said time. That through all the years since our father's death our mother, Victoria Johnson, up until the date of her death, thought she had received a life estate in the property of her husband and our father; that she always expressed a desire and intention to abide by the Will of our father and she had full knowledge of the provisions of our father's Will; that she conducted herself as a beneficiary with a life estate and that from the time she had notice of the terms of our father's Will until the date of her death she received the entire net income from the property owned by our father at the time of his death; that in each yearly report of L. L. Blomgren, Executor of our father's estate, it was shown that our mother, Victoria Johnson, was receiving the life estate and entire net income during her lifetime from our father's property and that our mother received yearly a copy of said report of Mr. Blomgren, Executor, checked said reports carefully and knew the contents thereof. That our mother never at any time considered herself as owning one-third of the property of which our father died seized.

That we make this affidavit merely to set our the true, accurate and correct facts as stated herein and for no other purpose. FURTHER WE SAYETH NOT.

Mabel. E. Simmons Lester C Johnson

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me by the said LESTER C. JOHNSON and MABEL E. SIMMONS this 29th day of May A. D. 1948.

NOTARIAL SEAL

Charles D. Van Werden. Notary Public in and for said County.

Charles D Van Werden To The Public

#2439 Fee $ .50 VC

Filed for record the 1 day of June A. D. 1948 at 4:03 o'clock P. M.
Wilma M. Wade, recorder

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF IOWA MADISON COUNTY) SS

I, CHARLES D. VAN WERDEN of said County and State, being first duly sworn, on oath depose and say that during the month of April, 1937, I took to the home of Victoria Johnson in Winterset, Iowa, an Election to Accept under the terms of the Will of her deceased husband, S. B. Johnson; that her son, Lester C. Johnson, and her daughter, Mabel E. Simmons, were present; that I asked Victoria Johnson if she had read the Will of her husband, S. B. Johnson, and she said she had; I asked if she realized that under the terms of his Will she was to receive a life estate or the income from his property during her lifetime and she told me she did; I asked if she desired to accept under the terms of the Will or wanted to receive her one-third in value of the estate and she told me she wanted to accept the terms of the Will and have the estate handled as her husband, S. B. Johnson, had provided in his Will; that