M. Virgil Knouf & wife
To
The Public

#5607
Fee $1.00 VS
AFFIDAVIT

Filed for record the 30 day of September A. D. 1955 at 2:30 o'clock P. M.
Mary E. Welty, Recorder

STATE OF IOWA COUNTY OF POLK) SS

We M. Virgil Knouf and Hazel R. Knouf, husband and wife, being first duly sworn on oath depose and say that we are the present holders of the record title and in possession of the following described real estate, to-wit:

The Northeast Fractional Quarter of the Southeast Fractional Quarter of Section 25, Township 77 North of Range 26, West of the 5th P. M.

having obtained title by warranty deed from Joseph A. King and Helen M. King husband and wife, dated May 3, 1950 and we further state that we and our grantors, immediate and remote, have been in open, actual, continuous, notorious adverse possession of said premises under claim of right and color of title, and held the chain of title to said property since prior to January 1, 1940, and that no claim of any kind adverse to the possession and ownership of the said parties aforementioned is now pending or has been asserted or made as to any of the above property nor against any of the owners or occupants thereof since prior to January 1, 1940.

We authorize the Recorder of Madison County, Iowa, to file this affidavit in behalf of the titleholders.

M. Virgil Knouf
Hazel R. Knouf

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of September 1955.

(Notarial Seal) O. W. Bunker

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY RECORDER

This is to certify that the within and foregoing affidavit was filed in the Office of the Recorder of Madison County, Iowa on the 30th day of September, 1955, by the said affiant owners in possession.

COMPARED

Mary E. Welty Recorder of Madison County, Iowa.

Lavina R. Hartsook
To
The Public

#5695
Fee $1.80 VS
AFFIDAVIT

Filed for record the 10 day of October A. D. 1955 at 11:15 o'clock A. M.
Mary E. Welty, Recorder

STATE OF IOWA MADISON COUNTY) SS

I, LAVINA R. HARTSOOK, being first duly sworn, on oath depose and state that I have been a resident of Madison County, Iowa, and have resided continuously therein for a period of over thirty (30) years; that I am personally acquainted with the following described premises situated in Madison County, Iowa, to-wit:

West One-half of Lot Two (2) and the East Three-fourths of Lot Three (3) all in Block Thirty-four (34) of the Original Town of Winterset, Madison County, Iowa;

and with the ownership and occupancy thereof, and know that said real estate has been owned and occupied by Frederick P. Hartsook, he being my husband, who was up until the date of his death the owner of said real estate, he having died intestate on or about the 8th day of November, 1953, and his estate having been probated in the District Court of Madison County, Iowa, being Probate File No. 5534, found in Probate Docket "M" at page 311, and in which the real estate above described was listed as a part of the assets. I further state that I know of my own personal knowledge that the said Frederick P. Hartsook was in actual possession of said real estate at all times since prior to January 1, 1940, and that he held title to said real estate under continuous chain of title since prior to January 1, 1940. That I became the joint owner of said real estate by virtue of a deed of conveyance executed to me and the said Frederick P. Hartsook as joint tenants on March 22, 1951, and that I am at present and at all times since said time have been in actual, sole and

complete possession of said real estate. That my possession of said real estate and that of my grantors of record has been continuous since prior to January 1, 1940. That said Frederick P. Hartsook was in actual possession at all times since prior to March 8, 1923, and since said date has been in the continuous, actual, visible, open, notorious, exclusive and hostile adverse possession thereof under color of title and claim of right as against all the world, and personally claimed the same, paid the taxes thereon, and that neither the title nor the right of possession of said owner or of this affiant or of any of those under whom they claim has been disputed or openly attacked by anyone.

I further state that a warranty deed was executed March 22, 1951, by the said Frederick P. Hartsook and this affiant as husband and wife, to Martha K. Paton, describing the above described real estate which was recorded in Town Lot Deed Record 33 at Page 501 of the records of the Madison County, Iowa, Recorder, on March 24, 1951. That a warranty deed by Martha K. Paton, single, to Frederick P. Hartsook and Lavina R. Hartsook as joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common was executed March 22, 1951, and filed of record on March 24, 1951, in Town Lot Deed Record 33 at Page 501 of the records of the Madison County, Iowa, Recorder.

That I know of my own personal knowledge that the said Frederick P. Hartsook made no gifts whatsoever during the year 1951 other than such gift as may have arisen by virtue of the deeds of conveyance last referred to above, and that the said Frederick P. Hartsook at no time prior to the year 1951 made any gift to any individual in a sum in excess of $3,000 nor made any series of gifts to any one individual within a given calendar year in an aggregate in excess of $3,000.00.

I further state that this affidavit is made in support of the title to the real estate hereinbefore described in order that the same may be filed of record under the provisions of Section 558.8 of the 1954 Code of Iowa.

Dated at Winterset, Iowa, this 8th day of October A. D. 1955.

Lavina R. Hartsook

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of October A. D. 1955.

(NOTARIAL SEAL)

Martha K. Paton Notary Public
in and for said County

I, Mary E. Welty, County Recorder in and for the County of Madison and State of Iowa, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing affidavit was filed in the office by the owners in possession as named in said affidavit, or by their attorney in fact as shown by said records, and recorded and entered on the records thereon on the 10th day of October A. D. 1955.

Mary E. Welty County Recorder,
Madison County, Iowa.

COMPARED

Shirley A. Webster
To
The Public

#5843
Fee $1.00 VS
AFFIDAVIT

Filed for record the 12 day of October A. D. 1955 at 4:00 o'clock P. M.
Mary E. Welty, Recorder

STATE OF IOWA MADISON COUNTY :

I, Shirley A. Webster, being first duly sworn on oath depose and say, that I have been a resident of Winterset, Madison County, Iowa, for more than twenty (20) years last past; that during said period of time, I have been acquainted with the record title and ownership of the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lot Six in Block Four (4) of North Addition to the
Town of Winterset, Iowa;

that wherever in the chain of title to said real estate the names J. M. Allen or James M. Allen appear, they refer to one and the same person.

That this Affidavit is made for the sole purpose of establishing of record the facts herein stated.