

#491 David Downs admr
 Deeds Do Whereas at the sitting of the County Court within
 Jackson County and for the County of Madison and State of Iowa on
 the 4th day of March A.D. 1861 in a certain petition for
 the sale of real estate wherein D. S. Smith as administrator of Elijah Johnson
 late of Madison County Iowa was a petitioner the said D. S. Smith as
 Administrator obtained an order to sell at public sale at the appraised
 value certain real estate of said deceased described as follows to wit the
 North Side of the South East quarter 1/4 of the South West quarter 1/4 of Section
 No Fifteen 15 Township 50 70 North of Range 50 Twenty Six 26 West
 containing twenty five and one half acres more or less in Madison Co Iowa
 and whereas before the sale of said real estate said Administrator filed
 in the office of said County his resignation which was duly accepted and
 David Downs was on the 6th day of June A.D. 1862 duly appointed by said
 County as administrator of said decedent in the place and stead of said D. S.
 Smith And whereas on the 6 day of January A.D. 1863 said Administrator
 obtained from said County a second order for the sale of said described
 lands and whereas the said Administrator pursuant to said order did
 on the 9th day of March A.D. 1863 sell said lands to Jackson Leonard of
 Madison County Iowa for the sum of fifty one dollars the appraised
 value thereof which sale was on the day last above named confirmed
 by the said County Court and the said Administrator ordered to
 execute and deliver a deed in fee simple to the said Jackson Leonard
 for said premises all which will more fully appear reference being had
 to the records of said County Now therefore I the said David Downs
 as administrator of the said Elijah Johnson in consideration of the sum
 of fifty one dollars and by virtue of the powers in me vested by Law
 do hereby presents sell and convey to the said Jackson Leonard
 the premises so sold to him as aforesaid In testimony whereof
 I as Administrator of the said Elijah Johnson do hereunto set my
 hand this 14th day of March A.D. 1863 David Downs administrator

State of Iowa I personally came before me Lewis Meigs County Judge
 Madison County in and for said County David Downs as Administrator
 of the Estate of Elijah Johnson deceased personally known to me to be
 the identical person he represents himself to be and whose name are
 affixed to the above deed as grantor and acknowledged the same
 to be his voluntary act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned
 witness my hand and official Seal this 14th day of March A.D.
 1863 Lewis Meigs Co Judge

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State of Iowa } Lewis Mayo County Judge in and for said County &
 Madison County } hereby approve and ratify the foregoing deed made by David
 David Deems as administrator of the estate of Elijah Johnson deed for
 the purposes therein described and do certify that the same is within the
 power and authority of said administrator In testimony whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said my office thereto this
 14th day of March A.D. 1863 Lewis Mayo
 County Judge

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