

David Downs Et al
 To } Comr. Deed
 Wm. M. Anderson

Know all Men by these presents;
 That whereas in a certain cause
 pending in the District Court of Madison

County Iowa, at the April term of said Court for the year
 AD 1864, asking for partition between John W. Simmerman,
 James H. Simmerman, Elizabeth A. Vandorn, Elvira M. Sim-
 merman, David M. Simmerman, Andrew J. Simmerman,
 Robert H. Simmerman, Sarah C. Simmerman and Jacob H.
 Simmerman, of the following described Real Estate, to-wit;

The East half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the South East fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) - and Thirty five Acres
 of the South East fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the North East fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of Section
 Thirty two (32) in Township Seventy six (76) North; and the North
 half of the South West fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Four (4) and the
 North East fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the South East fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Five (5)
 and the North half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the North West fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the South West
 fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Fifteen (15) and Thirty two and a half acres
 of the North East fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the South West fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$), and Thirty
 Nine Acres of the North West fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the North West fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$),
 of Section Fifteen (15) in Township Seventy five (75) North all in
 Range Twenty six (26) West, of the 5th P. M. Iowa.

Order was issued by said Court appointing David Downs,
 Jacob Kimerer and Joel M. Clanton Commissioners to appraise and
 make partition of said lands giving to each of said named plaintiffs
 and defendants one ninth share, in value of said lands, and whereas
 on the 12th day of September AD 1865, at the September Term of said
 Court said Commissioners made report to said Court that said
 lands could not with advantage to said heirs, be so divided and
 advising the sale of said lands and division of the proceeds of such
 sale among said heirs, and whereas said report was by said Court
 approved, and said Commissioners ordered to sell said lands at
 public sale, and whereas at the April Term of said Court for the
 year A. D. 1866, said Commissioners made report that after due advertise-
 ment had of such intended sale, they had on the 18th day of November
 A. D. 1865, sold at public sale to Wm. M. Anderson for the sum of Two
 hundred Eighty two and 500 dollars the highest price bid therefor,
 the following described lands, to-wit;

The North half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the North West fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the South West
 fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$), except three fourths of one acre off of the South side of said
 forty, and Thirty one and one half Acres of the South part of the North
 East fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the South West fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Fifteen (15) Township
 Seventy five (75) North, Range Twenty six (26) West of the fifth P. M. Iowa,

And whereas, on the 29th day of March A.D. 1866 at the March term of said Court for said year said report of said Commissioners was by said Court approved and their said sale approved and confirmed,

Now therefore we David Downs, Jacob Kimerer and Joel M. Clanton as such Commissioners have sold and by these presents for and in consideration of the aforesaid sum of Two hundred Eighty two and 5/100 dollars in hand paid by the said William M. Anderson bargain sell and convey unto the said William M. Anderson the herein above last described lands,

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this 30th day of March A.D. 1866

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D.D. J. K. & J. M. C.
Com
Mar. 30 1866

David Downs }
Jacob Kimerer } Commissioners
Joel M. Clanton }
his mark

State of Iowa {

Madison County { On this 30th day of March A.D. 1866, before me
M. R. Tidrick Clerk of the District Court in and for
said County personally came David Downs, Jacob Kimerer and
Joel M. Clanton as Commissioners, personally to me known to be
the identical persons whose names are affixed to the above instru-
ment as grantors and acknowledged the same to be their voluntary
act and deed for the purposes therein expressed.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed
my Official seal at Winterset on the date last above written

"S.S."

M. R. Tidrick Clerk
District Court

The foregoing Deed presented in open Court, examined and
approved, this 30th day of March A.D. 1866

Charles C. Nourse
Judge of the 5th Judicial
Dist. Iowa

Filed for Record May 16th 1867 at 4 O'clock P.M.

C. A. Moser Recorder