

#901 L.M. Bertholf) Filed for Record March 9th A.D. 1911 at 9.38 o'clock A.M.
to) Affidavit(George Hill Recorder.
The Public) By Daisy Hill Deputy.

State of Iowa, Madison County

I, L.M. Bertholf, a resident of said County and State, being first duly sworn, on my oath depose and say that I have resided in Madison County, Iowa, for 53 years and have resided near the land hereinafter described for about 53 years. That I am a son of Andrew H. Bertholf and Electa Bertholf, his wife. That Andrew Bertholf, to whom the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 16-75-28 was patented by the State of Iowa was my father and the same person as Andrew H. Bertholf, and that the said Andrew Bertholf and A.H. Bertholf, who with Electa Bertholf, executed a deed dated January 21st, 1875, and recorded in Deed Record 10, page 487 of the records of said County, were the same person, and the said Electa Bertholf was the wife of the said A.H. Bertholf on the date of said conveyance. That the said Andrew H. Bertholf died, testate, in said county, on or about July 15th, 1878, leaving as his heirs at law his widow, the said Electa Bertholf, and the following named children:- A.M. Bertholf, Zach Bertholf, James Bertholf, W.H. Bertholf, J.M. Bertholf, Rebecca Kiggins L.M. Bertholf, and Samuel M. Demar and Alex W. Demar, the two last mentioned being grandchildren, the children of a deceased daughter of the said Andrew H. Bertholf. That the Andrew H. Bertholf, named in the registry of heirs of the said Andrew H. Bertholf as one of the heirs at law of said decedent, was not an heir at law of the said decedent, he being a son of the said Zach Bertholf, who was a son of the said decedent. That the said Samuel M. Demar died, intestate and without issue, about the year 1890 or prior. That the grantors named in and who executed a quit claim deed to Henry Evans, dated June 8th, 1901, and recorded in said County in Deed Record No. 34, page 389, were, at the date of said deed, all of the surviving heirs at law of the said Andrew H. Bertholf and Electa Bertholf. That L.H. Demarr, one of the grantors in said deed was the husband of Esther Demarr, a deceased daughter of said Andrew Bertholf, and Alex W. Demarr was their only surviving child at the date of said deed. That I was well and personally acquainted with Sylvester Evans, grantee in a deed executed by George H. Milligan and wife dated October 23rd 1880, and recorded in Deed Record 19, page 11, and know him to be the same and identical person as Sylvester E. Evans, who, with his wife, executed a deed to Thomas L. Evans, dated December 25th, 1880, and recorded in Deed Record 18, page 599, and that I was well and personally acquainted with the said Thomas L. Evans, and know that he was the same and identical person as T.L. Evans, who, with his wife, executed a deed dated January 23rd, 1882, and recorded in Deed Record 19, page 617. That I was well and personally acquainted with R.D. Vermillion, one of the grantees in a deed from the Sheriff of Madison County, Iowa, dated April 19th, 1876, recorded in Deed Record A, page 63, conveying the undivided one-half of E $\frac{3}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 16-75-28, and also knew Amanda Vermillion, the other grantee in said deed, and know that they were the same persons as R.D. Vermillion and wife, A.C. Vermillion, who conveyed said land to W.H. Stoolie, by deed dated March 13th, 1875, and recorded in Deed 11, page 59, and also know that they are the same persons as R.D. Vermillion and Arminde C. Vermillion, in whose favor a judgment was rendered in the Circuit Court of Madison County, Iowa, on March 9th, 1875, as shown by Judgment Docket No. 2, page 252, and to whom said land was sold under an execution issued on said judgment. That I was well and personally acquainted with John J. Turner, grantee in a deed from J.M. Miller, dated July 15th, 1879, recorded in Deed Record No. 18, page 75, conveying the undivided one-half of the E $\frac{3}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 16-75-28 and know that he is the same and identical person as J.J. Turner, who with his wife, Provey J. Turner, conveyed all of the E $\frac{3}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 16-75-28 to Thomas Miller, by deed dated September 1st, 1880, and recorded in Deed Record No. 14, page 245. That the S.E. Evans, grantee in a deed from Thomas Miller and wife, dated September 4th, 1880, and recorded in Deed Record No. 18 page 450, conveying the E $\frac{3}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 16-75-28 is the same person as Sylvester E. Evans, named in the registry of heirs in the estate of James W. Evans, deceased, as one of the heirs of said decedent, and also the same person as the Sylvester E. Evans, mentioned above as one of the grantors in a deed recorded in Deed Record No. 18, page 599. That A.H. Bertholf and Electa Bertholf were husband and wife on September 13th, 1860, when they executed a deed to James Bertholf recorded in Deed Record No. 5, page 413 and the said A.H. Bertholf is the same person as Andrew H. Bertholf grantee in a deed from L.D. Skidmore and wife, dated February 22nd, 1853, and recorded in Deed Record A, page 76. That the books and pages of records referred to above in all instances refer to the records of Madison County, Iowa. That I have no interest whatever in making the foregoing affidavit or in any of the land referred to.

L.M. Bertholf.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the said L.M. Bertholf this 9th day of May, A.D. 1908.

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Lloyd Talley.

Notary Public in and for Madison County Iowa.