

Miscellaneous Record, No. 18, Madison County

J.P. Steele) Filed for record the 14th day of July A.D. 1915 at 1:55 o'clock P.M.
to
The Public) Afft. . Fee \$1.60 #1957. ✓ Jeannette E. Beck. Recorder.

State of Iowa, Madison County. ss I, J.P. Steele, a resident of said County and State, being first duly sworn on my oath depose and say that I am an attorney at law and have been in active practice of my profession in Winnebago, Iowa, for 35 years last past, and that I was well and personally acquainted with E.P. Gillis grantee in a certain deed from Milton Boyles and wife dated February 1st, 1896, and recorded on page 139 of Deed Record 37 of the records of Madison County, Iowa, conveying the $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 20 & $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 29-76-27, and I know that he is the same and identical person as the Edward P. Gillis who is one of the grantors in a certain deed dated March 2nd, 1903, and recorded on page 18 of Deed Record 46 of the records of Madison County, Iowa, conveying to George L. Foster the real estate above described and other land.

I further depose and say that I was well and personally acquainted with Ella M. Gillis wife of the said Edward P. Gillis, and with all the members of their family; that the said Ella M. Gillis died intestate in Madison County, Iowa, a short time previous to March 26th, 1898, the exact date of her death being unknown to this affiant; that she left as her only children and heirs at law; her two sons Wallace D. Gillis and Clark Gillis, and her daughter Mary E. Gillis; that the estate of the said Ella M. Gillis was never administered upon, and that all of her indebtedness was fully paid.

That I was the attorney for the said Edward P. Gillis and Ella M. Gillis for many years prior to the decease of the latter, and that a few years before the decease of the said Ella M. Gillis, the said Edward P. Gillis, made, executed and delivered to his said wife a deed for the undivided one-half of his real estate including the land above described, such deed was made in adjustment of the business affairs between the said Edward P. Gillis and his wife Ella M. Gillis. That I am informed that said deed was never placed of record; that the said Wallace D. Gillis and Clark Gillis had each attained their majority prior to March 2nd, 1903; that this affidavit is made for the purpose of explaining the reason for the said Wallace D. Gillis and Clark Gillis having joined in the conveyance above referred to, to George L. Foster and recorded on page 18 of said Deed Record 46, and also in explanation of the reason for Mary E. Gillis having conveyed said real estate to George L. Foster, by deed dated October 9th, 1903, and entered on page 19 of Deed Record 46.

That I have no interest in said real estate of any kind or character and make these statements from personal knowledge of the facts.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the said J.P. Steele this 14th day of July A.D. 1915.

J.P. Steele.
Lloyd Talley.
Notary Public in and for said County

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