

Miscellaneous Record, No. 18, Madison County

Maria L. Gilpin) Filed for record the 15th day of Jan. A. D. 1916 at 3:20 o'clock P.M.
 Mary L. Guher) Jeannette E. Beck Recorder.
 to By Edith E. Cornell, Deputy
 The Public) Afft. Fee \$1.50 ✓ #107.

State of Iowa, Madison County. ss. We Maria L. Gilpin and Mary L. Guher, residents of Madison County, Iowa but temporarily sojourning in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, being first duly sworn, do, upon our oaths, depose and say, and each for herself says:- That we are the surviving widow and only child of E.W. Evans, Deceased, who became the owner of the East One-third (1/3) of Lot One in Block Twenty-three (23) of the original town plat of Winterset, Iowa by deed from Albert West in 1861 and conveyed the same to this affiant, Mary L. Guher, under the name of Mary L. Evans, by deed dated April 13th, 1871; that Mary L. Guher is now the owner of said East one-third (1/3) of said lot and she and the members of her family have been such owners continuously since the said deed to E.W. Evans in 1861; that Maria L. Gilpin has resided in Winterset, Iowa continuously since 1861, Mary L. Guher since her birth in 1863 and within five blocks of said Lot One; that they have at all times during said period been personally and well acquainted with the ownership of all of said Lot One; that they know of their own personal knowledge that wherever the title to the part of said lot described as "the middle one-third" occurs in any deeds of conveyance the same conveyed and intended to convey the West Half (1/2) of the East Two-thirds (2/3) of said Lot One and that the grantees in such deeds, and particularly William T. Roland and Almon Miller, took possession of and claimed under such deeds only the said West Half (1/2) of the East Two-thirds (2/3) of said Lot One, and know of their own personal knowledge that John M. Butcher, C.H. Mershon and John A. Faurete have had and held actual, open, continuous, notorious and adverse possession and occupancy of said West Half of the East Two-thirds of said Lot One, under claim of right and color of title for more than Thirty years last past, and that such possession and occupancy has been peaceable and uninterrupted. I, Maria L. Gilpin further depose and say that I was personally and well acquainted with J.J. Hutchings and Mary Hutchings named as granters in a certain deed to T.W. Fouch, conveying said real estate last herein described, dated January 4th, 1860 and recorded in Deed Record "M" at Page 264 of the records in the office of the county Recorder of Madison County, Iowa and know that on said date, to-wit:- January 4th, 1860 the said J.J. Hutchings and Mary Hutchings were husband and wife. That we have no interest in the said property last described nor in making this affidavit except to establish the facts herein recited and that this affidavit is made at the request of the present owner of said property for the purpose of removing a cloud from the title thereto.

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me by the above named Maria L. Gilpin and Mary L. Guher this 25th day of November A.D. 1915.

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Jno. A. Guher,
Notary Public in and for said County.