

J. E. Hamilton)
 to (Affidavit
 The Public) #1276

Filed for record the 23rd day of May A.D., 1925
 at 4:00 o'clock P.M.
 Fee \$.50 Gladys B. DeVault, Recorder.

State of Iowa, Madison County, ss: I, J. E. Hamilton on oath depose and say that I have been a resident of said county for more than 60 years last past.

That I held a mortgage made by Jos. F. Smith, dated August 13, 1917, and recorded in Mtg. Rec. 60, page 194, covering the south half of lots 1 and 2 in block 1 of A.B. Shriver's addition to Winterset, Iowa. That prior to the satisfaction and payment of said mortgage, I at different times paid the taxes or redeemed said property from tax sale, and for the purpose of clearing any cloud that might appear against the title executed quit claim deed to Elmer E. Miller, conveying said premises, which deed was recorded in Town Lot Deed Record 13, page 289.

That I am acquainted with Elmer E. Miller, grantee in the quit claim deed last above mentioned made by me, and have knowledge that said Mary D. Miller who joined with him in executing quit claim deed to Joseph F. Smith, was his wife, which quit claim deed was recorded in Town Lot Deed Record 21, page 304, and conveying the property above described.

That I was well and personally acquainted with E. M. Winship, named in the will of Nathaniel Winship, as his wife which will was recorded in Will Record "C", page 241, and know that she was the same and identical person as Elizabeth M. Winship named in the registry of heirs of the estate of Nathaniel Winship, and the same and identical person as Elisabeth M. Winship who executed warranty deed to Nettie E. Winship recorded in Town Lot deed record 22, page 78, conveying above described property. That her full name was Elizabeth M. Winship.

That I was personally acquainted with Joseph F. Smith named as grantee in warranty deed from Nettie E. Winship which deed was recorded in Town Lot Deed Record 22, page 82, and know that he was the same and identical person as Jos. F. Smith who executed the mortgage to me, first above mentioned, and who executed quit claim deed to Elmer E. Miller, which deed was recorded in town lot deed record 13, page 285, conveying above described property.

That all of the records referred to above are of the records of Madison county, Iowa. That this affiant has no interest in making this affidavit other than to establish the facts set forth above.

Dated at Winterset, Iowa, May 22nd, 1925.

J. E. Hamilton

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me and in my presence by the said J. E. Hamilton this 22nd day of May 1925.

R. H. Croft
 Notary Public in and for Madison County, Iowa.

