

C. W. Barker and)
I. J. Thomas)
to)
The Public)

(Affidavit
#176

Filed for record the 28th day of January A.D.,
1926 at 9:00 o'clock A.M.
Gladys B. DeVault, Recorder.
Paul Lucas, Deputy

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State of Iowa, Warren County, ss: I, C.W.Barker and I, I.J.Thomas, residents of said county and state, being each duly sworn, do, upon our oaths depose and say that we are now and have been for many years last past well and personally acquainted with the possession, occupancy and control of the South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, in Township 74 North, of Range 26 West of the 5th P.M., in Madison County, Iowa. That we were well acquainted with one Samuel Irwin, now deceased, who died on or about Aug. 9th, 1879, seized in fee simple of the above described land. That he purchased said real estate from one William D. Conner who conveyed the same to said Irwin by a deed which was never recorded, but that said Irwin immediately took possession and control of said land under such deed of conveyance and was in full possession thereof at the time of his death.

That ^{the} said Samuel Irwin left surviving him, his widow, Isabelle Irwin, and the following named children as his only heirs at law, to-wit: Alexander Irwin, Mary Irwin, William Irwin, Anna Irwin, Cora Irwin, James Irwin, and Samuel Irwin (a posthumous child), and no other.

That the said Alexander Irwin is the same person as the A.J.Irwin who is named as grantee in a certain deed from Mary Reed and husband conveying the one-seventh part of the above described land, recorded in Deed Record 35, at page 574 of Madison County, Iowa, records, and as the A.J.Irwin who is named as grantee in the deed from Anna Anderson and husband conveying the South 6 and 1/3 acres of 3 1/4 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 of said Sec. 25-74-26, recorded in Deed Record 41, page 157, of said records, ^{and} as the A.J.Irwin who was plaintiff in a certain partition proceedings brought in the District Court of Warren County, Iowa, for the partition of the above described and other land wherein decree was entered on August 30th, 1899. That the said Mary Irwin was the same person as the Mary Reed, the grantor in said deed recorded in Deed Record 35, page 574, and that the said Anna Irwin was the same person as the Anna Anderson, the grantor in said deed recorded in Deed Record 41, at page 157.

That the lien created, if any, in favor of Cora Irwin against the share of said Anna Anderson in the above described land by virtue of referees' partition thereof and the order approving same entered on September 15th, 1899, has long since been removed by payment to the said Cora Irwin by said Anna Anderson of the sum decreed to be paid.

That the said A.J.Irwin has had and held since prior to January 1st, 1900, the continuous, uninterrupted, adverse and unquestioned possession, occupancy and control of all of said real estate under and by virtue of the above mentioned deeds and decree of partition and that to our knowledge, no persons or person have or has during all of said period of time ever made, asserted or attempted to assert any claim of right adverse to such ownership of the said A.J.Irwin nor to our knowledge was the interest of any of said heirs at law of the said Samuel Irwin deceased, ever questioned or contested by any person or

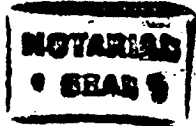
persons claiming by, through or under the said William D. Conner.

That we are in no way interested.

C. W. Barker
I. J. Thomas

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me by the said C.W.Barker and the said
I.J.Thomas this 15th day of January, A.D. 1926.

H. F. Stiffler
Notary Public in and for Warren County, Iowa.



Henry L. Smith