



Century Farm Applications

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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Eldon L. Larson *ok*
Name(s) to appear on certificate Eldon L. & Karen Larson
Address Rt 2 Rathbun, MN
Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 23 Township Union County Wilkin
Number of acres in the farm at present 520 Owned 1000 Rented
Date of original purchase by member of your family 1871

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S 1/2 of SE 1/4 + NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 section 23 T 134 R 45 120 acres
NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 section 23 T 134 R 45 40 acres

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>Isaac Larson</u> (owner in 1876 or B4)	from <u>1871</u> to <u>1904</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>John Larson</u> next owner	from <u>1904</u> to <u>1940</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Arthur J. Larson</u> next owner	from <u>1940</u> to <u>1967</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Eldon L. Larson</u> next owner	from <u>1967</u> to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	
next owner	from _____ to _____	

The above evidence of continuous family ownership of this farm since 1876 is taken from one or more of the following records. DO NOT SEND IN RECORDS, just indicate by check marks those which apply.

Abstract of Title <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Court file in Registration
Land Patent <input type="checkbox"/>	Proceedings <input type="checkbox"/>
Original Deed <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please explain _____)
County Land Record <input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Records and Dates</u>

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

Arthur J. Larson
(Witness sign here)

Eldon Larson
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 29, 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Information you may be able to add to this form, while not essential to Century Farm certification, will be most valuable to future historians. The questions below are offered only as a guide, so please feel free to add any other data, especially family or pioneer stories concerning the farm and the area around it.

1. From whom was the farm purchased? Homestead
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 160
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Ingolstadt, Sweden
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Sweden
6. Was this a homestead? Yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? Yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
Carpenter
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? No
10. When was the present home built? 1904
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Small grain, Corn & Hay
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation: also Limestone
Daily News Breckenridge, Wyo 56520

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Bernard Shirley *ok*

Name(s) to appear on certificate _____

Address Rothsay Minnesota

Address of farm, if different from above _____

Section 24 Township Akron County Wilkin

Number of acres in the farm at present 160

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1871

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

South East 1/4 of S. 24, T. 134, R. 45, 160 A.

Homestead Certificate NO 2044 Given 1877

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATE'S (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Bernt Olsson Shirley (owner in 1876 or B4)	from 1871 to 1915	Father
Bernhard Shirley next owner	from 1915 to 1941	Father
Bernard Shirley next owner	from 1941 to 1976	Father
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title ()	Court file in Registration
Land Patent (X)	Proceedings ()
Original Deed ()	Other (please explain. _____)
County Land Record ()	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

[Signature]
(Witness sign here)

Bernard Shirley
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 28 1976

See reverse side for additional information.

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1. From whom was the farm purchased? _____
2. How many acres were in the original parcel? I60
3. What was the cost of land per acre? _____
4. Where was the first owner born? Norway
5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? _____
6. Was this a homestead? Yes
7. Did the first owner farm the land? Yes
8. Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming?
No
9. Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? No
10. When was the present home built? 1918
11. What are the farm's major crops or products? Wht Oats Barley Flax
12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:
The Daily News Wahpeton. The Daily Journal Fergus Falls.

Related information: (please feel free to use additional sheets of paper)