



## Century Farm Applications

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bttw 3/30/87  
OK

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER CLETUS Fischer  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Route 1 Pierz MN 56364  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (612) 468-6826  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME  
SECTION 13, 23, 24 TOWNSHIP Buh COUNTY MORRISON  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 200 ✓  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY MAY 1, 1887 ✓  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) 1/2 of SW 1/4 Sec. 13, NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 Sec. 23 & N 1/2 of NW 1/4 Sec. 24  
Twp. 41 R6E. 30

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner John Fischer	1887 - 1917	FATHER of John Fischer JR.
next owner John Fischer JR.	1917 - 1946	FATHER of ANNA Herb, Ray, Cecilia, Alvin, LORETTA
next owner ANNA M Schommer, HERBERT J. Fischer RAYMOND Fischer, Cecilia WIDLOIT ALVIN Fischer LORETTA Fischer	1946	children of Gertude Fischer
next owner Gertude Fischer	1946	MOTHER of ALVIN Fischer
next owner ALVIN Fischer	1946 - 1972	husband of LORETTA J. Fischer

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Cletus Fischer

(signature of present owner)

DATE 3-20-87

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL, MN 55108



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

NAME		
LORETTA J. Fischer	1972 - 1981	Mother of ARLENE, Joyce DIANE, Cletus GLADYS
ARLENE FISHER Joyce Loscheider DIANE Fischer Cletus Fischer GLADYS Fischer	1981	BROTHERS AND Sisters of Cletus Fischer
CLETUS Fischer	1981 - PRESENT	

OK 100

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Steven Worlie  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Rt. 1 Box 63 Little Falls MN 56345  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (612) 632-5063  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same  
SECTION 14 TOWNSHIP Darling COUNTY Morrison  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1887  
LEAGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) 5 1/2 of SW 1/4 Township 130 Range 30

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner (Friedrich) Fritz Bigalke	1887 - 1913	Father of Fred
next owner Fred Bigalke	1913 - 1946	Father of Kenneth
next owner Kenneth Bigalke	1946 - 1973	Father-in-law of Steven
next owner Steven Worlie	1973 - present	Worlie
next owner		

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Steven Worlie  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 6, 1986

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Government - homesteaded

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 180 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$50 for the whole farm

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes, original ~~house~~ one car garage

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1918

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Hay

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Arno W. Bergstrom

(this name will appear on certificate)

OK 9/28

ADDRESS

Rt 3-Box 183 New Ulm

MN

56073

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 228-8527

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

33

TOWNSHIP

Bernadotte

COUNTY

Nicollet

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

Sec 33 Twp 111 Rang-29 map #05-33-100-001 Record 16159

W 1/2 of NW 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1887	
<u>Andrew W. Bergstrom</u>	TO 1924	husband of Caroline
next owner	1924	
<u>Caroline Bergstrom</u>	1940	mother of T.C.
next owner	1940	
<u>Thimmie C. Bergstrom</u>	1965	father of Arno
next owner	1965	
<u>Arno W. Bergstrom</u>	Present	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ☒

Original Deed ( )

OTHER

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Arno W. Bergstrom

(signature of present owner)

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DATE

April 27, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Robert G. Dieter  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Rt 1 Brewster Mn. 56119  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 376-5316  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same  
SECTION 29 TOWNSHIP Hersey COUNTY Nobles  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Sept. 15, 1879  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) S E 1/4 Section 29 Twp-103 Rang-39

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Louise M. Fogg</u>	<u>1879</u>	<u>1919</u>	<u>Sister</u>
next owner <u>Emma P. Dieter</u>	<u>1919</u>	<u>1920</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner <u>George M. Dieter</u>	<u>1920</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner <u>Robert G. Dieter</u>	<u>1960</u>		
next owner			

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☐ County Land Record  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Robert G. Dieter  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7-14-1987

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By July 15.

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Given from Thompson To my Great Aunt

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? St. Paul Mn.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? No

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1920

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? General Livestock & Grain

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Cattle - Hogs - Sheep - Corn - Alfalfa  
& Soy beans

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Ruby Drealan (See Note)  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR1 Box 78 Brewster Mn 56119  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (507) 425-2079  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same

SECTION 30 TOWNSHIP Graham Lakes COUNTY Nobles

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160 only 80 qualify for century farm

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Nov. 22, 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

N 1/2 of NE 1/4 of TWP 104 Range 39

~~S 1/2 of NE 1/4 does not qualify as it was not continuous ownership~~

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>August Konig (King)</u>	<u>1887</u> <u>1913</u>	<u>Father of Adolph</u>
next owner <u>Adolph King</u>	<u>1913</u> <u>1961</u>	<u>Wife of Adolph</u>
next owner <u>Minnie King</u>	<u>1961</u> <u>1977</u>	<u>mother of Ruby</u>
next owner <u>Bill Drealan ET AL</u> <u>Ruby Drealan (LE) AL</u>	<u>1977</u> <u>1984</u>	<u>mother of David + Gail</u>
next owner <u>David Drealan</u> <u>Gail Hopper</u> <u>Ruby Drealan (LE)</u>		

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- ( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings  
( ) County Land Record  
(☒) Other County Recorder's Office

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Ruby M. Drealan  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7-11-1987

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COMO STATION, MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? don't know

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Salisia Austria (at that time)

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? hog house

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1925

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn, soy beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Aug. King came here 1879 - Trees - 2  
First wife died - 2 child  
buried here or in - child



August King settled in Graham Lakes township in 1879, the first township to be organized in Nobles County. His wife, Mary, died in 1880 leaving August with 6 children, the youngest being only 2 months old. Mary was buried on the farm until a cemetery was established near Zulda. He soon remarried and had 5 more children.

The only trees in the area were at Graham Lakes, 2 miles away, so hay twigs were burned to supplement the firewood.

Jack Creek runs through the property and provided fishing, hunting and swimming for generations of children. Trees are now abundant on the farm and creek banks.

Only 2 buildings were professionally built, the rest were built by family with help from neighbors. Oren were first used for farm work with draft horses coming later. The farm has always supported ~~himself~~ a variety of livestock including beef cows, horses and poultry at the present time.

Living on the farm today are Ruby Drealan, granddaughter of August King, and her daughter Gail and son-in-law Ken Hopper. Son David and his wife Barbara and son Willy live in Chanhassen but return frequently to continue the traditions of tree planting, hunting and fishing.

Dear Century Farm Folks,

On doing this research I noticed that the property was deeded to August King on Nov 22 1887. Since this is the anniversary year we hope we can still be recognized as a century farm.

Hope I made myself clear on the last 2 "owners". When Minnie King died, my grandmother, the farm was willed to my brother and myself with my parents, Bill + Ruby Dealan, having life estate. My father has died so as I understand it ownership is usually written Ruby Dealan ET AL. We "ET AL's" would like our names written out.

Thanks a Bunch  
Gail Hopper

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OK

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Alyce Hellstrom  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Route 1 Box 151 Worthington, Mn. 56187  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 376-6405  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same  
SECTION 35 TOWNSHIP Seward 104 COUNTY Nobles  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1887  
LEAGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

5 1/2 of NW 1/4 Township 104 Range 40

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Charles Swanson</u>	<u>1887 - 1936</u>	<u>Father of Myrtle</u>
next owner <u>Myrtle Hollem</u>	<u>1936 - 1956</u>	<u>Mother of Alyce</u>
next owner <u>Alyce Hellstrom</u>	<u>1956 - Present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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( ) Original Deed ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Alyce Hellstrom  
(signature of present owner)

DATE April 25, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? A. Boysen

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$9.00 per acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

livery stable owner

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD?

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1967

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn & Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*A Swedish immigrant bought this land and my husband, who is also a Swedish immigrant, farms the land today.*



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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Larry and Joanne Jorgensen  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS RR 1 Box 12, Fulda, Minnesota 56131  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER 1 ( 507 ) 425-2681  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION 9 TOWNSHIP Seward COUNTY Nobles  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY November 8, 1886  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
Agricultural Full Homestead, Sect-09 Twp-104, Rang-40, NE 1/4, Acres 160

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner John and Eva Hakeneis	Nov. 8, 1886 - August 22, 1938	Great-Grandfather of Joanne
next owner Carl and Emelie Hakeneis	Aug. 22, 1938 - 1968	Grandfather of Joanne
next owner Arnold and Priscilla Hakeneis	July 31, 1968 - September 24, 1986	Father of Joanne
next owner Larry and Joanne (Hakeneis) Jorgensen	Sept. 24, 1986 - present	
next owner		

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( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Larry L. Jorgensen & Joanne Jorgensen  
(signature of present owner)

DATE April 29, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? The north  $\frac{1}{2}$  was purchased from A and Selma Boysen for a total amount of \$720.00.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$9.00 per acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Johann Lorens Hakeneis was born in Niederberlach, Bavaria, Germany, on June 21, 1855.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? He and his wife.

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Our house was built in 1187. Rooms have been added, however, the original house is still standing.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1887

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Beans and we raise hogs.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

We still have the original hand plow that was used to break up the soil on the piece of land that my Great-grandfather purchased in 1886.

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Bill Clayton Berg  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS RR Hendrum MINN 56550  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (218) 861-6255  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 34 TOWNSHIP Hendrum COUNTY Norman

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY March 10, 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

NW 1/4 - Section 34 - township 144  
North Range 48 West of the 5th Principal Meridian - Norman Co. Minn

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Peter O. Ingberg</u>	<u>1887 - 1907</u>	<u>Father to Mary</u>
next owner <u>Jens + Mary (Ingberg) Landu</u>	<u>1907 - 1932</u>	<u>Mother to Alice</u>
next owner <u>Frank + Alice (Landu) Scherfberg</u>	<u>1932 - 1975</u>	<u>Mother to Helen</u>
next owner <u>Helen M (Scherfberg) Berg</u>	<u>1975 - 1978</u>	<u>Mother to Bill</u>
next owner <u>William Clayton Berg (Bill)</u>	<u>1978 -</u>	

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Bill Berg  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-6-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Northern Pacific Railroad.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 240

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 80 acrs <sup>#</sup>400 - 160 <sup>#</sup>1600<sup>00</sup> I believe

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

Traded with the Indians -

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? A second homestead for daughter.

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1915<sup>?</sup> - ~~Revised~~ barn - 1919 - ~~Home~~ (2)

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, wheat - Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Leonard Dahl, Arthur Dahl, Ralph Dahl & Tilda E. Dahl  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Rural Route, Bejou, Minnesota 56516  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER ( 218 ) 938-4241  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP Bear Park COUNTY Norman

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY May 12, 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

The north half of the northeast quarter (N $\frac{1}{2}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ), Section twenty-six (26) Township One  
Hundred Forty-six (146), North Range Forty-three (43) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Anders O. Dahl	1887 1890	Husband of Oliana Dahl Handeland
next owner Oliana Handeland formerly Oliana Dahl	1890 1905	Mother of Ole A Dahl
next owner Ole A. Dahl	1905 1967	Father of Arthur, Leonard Ralph & Tilda Dahl
next owner Arthur, Leonard, Ralph & Tilda Dahl	1967 Present	
next owner		

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| ( ) Land Patent       | (X) County Land Record                       |
| ( ) Original Deed     | (X) Other <u>U.S. Land Office Tract Book</u> |
|                       | Stored MN Historical Society Research Center |

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Leonard Dahl

(signature of present owner)

DATE 7-14-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? U.S. Government

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? --

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1978

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Small Grains and formerly dairy products & livestock

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

The research for this application was done by:

Larry M. Roe  
1071 Lowell Drive  
Apple Valley, MN 55124

Home Phone (612) 431-4680  
Work Phone (612) 438-4289

If there are any questions concerning this application, please contact Larry M. Roe.



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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNERS Mrs. Elmer Selm (son) Larry daughter Sylvia Holte  
 (this name will appear on certificate)  
 ADDRESS 328 W 3rd Ave. S. Ada Minn. 56510  
 city state zip code  
 PHONE NUMBER (218) 784-7728  
 area code  
 ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Ada Minn R.R. 56510  
 SECTION 6-Winchester TOWNSHIP 143 Range 46 COUNTY Norman  
 NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 320  
 DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1886 Receivers Receipt  
patent dated June 11-1887  
 LEAGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)  
Section-06 Twp-143-Range 46

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>German Sprung and Wilhelmina Sherf Sprung</u>	<u>Dec. 15 - 1886 Nov. 1910</u>	<u>father of Elizabeth</u>
next owner <u>Gust A. K. Anderson Elizabeth Sprung Anderson</u>	<u>Nov. 1910 - 1949</u>	<u>Mother of Mabel</u>
next owner <u>Elmer Selm Mabel Anderson Selm</u>	<u>1949 - Clear deed 1956 owner to 1975 (Contract for deed)</u>	<u>Parents of Larry &amp; Sylvia Selm Holte</u>
next owner <u>Larry Selm 80 acres Sylvia (Selm) Holte 84 acres</u>	<u>1975 - 1987</u>	
next owner		

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 ( ) Land Patent (X) County Land Record  
 ( ) Original Deed ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Mrs. Elmer Selm (son) Larry (daughter) Sylvia Holte  
 (signature of present owner)

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DATE May 20 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Gust & Elizabeth Anderson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Don't know what time it was bought.

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER'S BORN? Prussia & Germany Europe.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

Herman was a masoner in mpls. when he first came to U.S.A.

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? ? ? Could find no record of who Mr. Sprung bought the land from

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? not on the original 160 acres.

An eighty year old barn on the N.W. quarter & newer bldgs.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1953-54 on the NW quarter

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? grain, soybeans, alfalfa hay  
dairy pro. eggs - beef cattle show.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

In checking the records for the 320 acres that make up our farm, I discovered the 160 acres in the east quarter is probably the only acreage eligible for a Century farm. The NW quarter which makes up the 320 acres wasn't purchased by my grandfather until March 1st, 1893. It then became 1 farm. The buildings that were on the 160 acres of the east quarter have been gone for more than 85 years. I made a mistake in assuming the whole 320 acres was a Century farm. My son Larry B. Helm and my daughter Mrs. Ronald Holte (Sylvia Helm) Grandin N.D. are present owners of the 160 acres of the east quarter Elizabeth (Sprung) Anderson who lived to be almost 101 years died in Jan. 1983 - was born on the original 160 A (E. quarter)

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Ronald and Janice Tommerdahl  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS P.O. Box 8 Hendrum MN 56550  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (218) 861-6655  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same

SECTION 27 TOWNSHIP Hendrum COUNTY Norman

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 1

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Aug. 22, 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SE 1/4 Sec. 27 Township 144 Range #48

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Nels Olson Tommerdahl</u>	<u>1887</u>	<u>1915</u>	<u>Husband of Marit</u>
next owner <u>Marit Tommerdahl</u>	<u>1915</u>	<u>1935</u>	<u>Mother of Clarence</u>
next owner <u>Clarence R. Tommerdahl</u>	<u>1935</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>Father of Ronald</u>
next owner <u>Ronald L. Tommerdahl</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>present</u>	
next owner			

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( ) Land Patent ( ) County Land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Ronald Tommerdahl  
(signature of present owner)

DATE May 12, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Northern Pacific Railroad Company

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$5.50

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? about 1900 - but will be

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? torn down soon  
small grains

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Douglas Ferrier  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Dover Minnesota 55929  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 932-4412  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION 28 TOWNSHIP (Quincy) T107N COUNTY Olmsted  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 320  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY \_\_\_\_\_  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
NE 1/4 T107N-R11W Section 28

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner John Ferrier	1885 - 1895	Father of John Jr.
next owner John Ferrier Jr.	1895 - 1941	Wife of John Jr
next owner Charlotte Ferrier	1941 - 9/11/41	Mother of Douglas
next owner Douglas Ferrier	1941 - 1987	
next owner		

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☐ Original Deed ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Douglas Ferrier by Clayton Ferrier  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 13 July 1987

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by July 15.

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Frederick C. Schmidt

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Scotland

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

Prior to coming to this country he was a blacksmith on the RR in  
Scotland.

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Unknown

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Livestock & feed for the  
same plus cash crop

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER DON & BETTY FRIEDRICH  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS RT 10 Box 114 ROCHESTER MN 55904  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 282 0853  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION 22 TOWNSHIP MARION COUNTY OLMSTED  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 303  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1859

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
SE(1/4) of Section (22) also South Half (1/2) of NE(1/4)  
Section (22) Township 106 Range (13)

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Leopold Lull</u>	<u>1859</u>	<u>1908</u>	<u>Father of Howard</u>
next owner <u>Howard Lull</u>	<u>1908</u>	<u>1936</u>	<u>Father of Gladys</u> <u>Father in law to Wm. E.</u>
next owner <u>Wm. E. Friedrich</u>	<u>1936</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>Husband of Gladys</u>
next owner <u>Gladys Friedrich</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>Mother of Wm. H.</u>
next owner <u>Wm. H. Friedrich</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>Brother of Donald</u>

Don L. Friedrich 1966 present  
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Donald L. Friedrich  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7/5/87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? US Government

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 40

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Rochester Inn

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

Blacksmith

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1951

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn - Beans - Cattle

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER JOHN F. JACKSON  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS ROUTE 3, Box 28 CHATFIELD, MN 55923  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 867-3383  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME  
SECTION 17 TOWNSHIP ELMIRA COUNTY OLMSTED  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80 ✓  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY MAR 9, 1885 ✓  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
S 1/2 NW 1/4 Section 17 TOWN 10S RANGE 11.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>JOHN JACKSON</u>	<u>1885</u> - <u>1917</u>	<u>FATHER OF JOHN JR.</u>
next owner <u>JOHN JACKSON JR</u>	<u>1917</u> - <u>1968</u>	<u>HUSBAND OF FRANCES FAYE</u>
next owner <u>FRANCES FAYE JACKSON</u>	<u>1968</u> - <u>1973</u>	<u>MOTHER OF JOHN F.</u>
next owner <u>JOHN F. JACKSON</u>	<u>1973</u> - <u>PRESENT</u>	
next owner		

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John F. Jackson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 10 April 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Robert L. & Genevieve L. Aldrich  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR1-Box 90-A Hewitt Minnesota 56453  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (218) 924-2303  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 2 TOWNSHIP Woodside COUNTY Otter Tail

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 85.7

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Prior-1883

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 Sect 2 - 132-36

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>John-Angnette Aldrich</u>	<u>Prior To-</u> <u>1883 - 1917</u>	<u>Gr. Grandparents</u>
next owner <u>Herbert S. Aldrich</u>	<u>1911 - 1940</u>	<u>Grand Father</u>
next owner <u>Margaret Aldrich</u>	<u>1940 - 1963</u>	<u>Grand Mother</u>
next owner <u>Aldrich</u> <u>Robert L. &amp; Genevieve L.</u>	<u>1963 - Present</u>	
next owner		

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed     | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                            |

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Robert L. Aldrich  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 4-22 - 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? ONZANDO Co. N.Y.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

Store - in - home

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1952

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Hay - Corn - Oats -

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Beef Cattle - Sheep - Poultry

We recieved a Plaque From the Historical Society  
of Otter Tail County in the year of 1983  
Signifying our Farm as a Century Farm

John & Angenette Aldrich - Came here 7-4-1874  
& Applied For homestead - soon after.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Donald C. Bergem and Dorothy M. Bergem  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R.1 Box 140 Underwood MN 56586  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (218) 826-6974  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same

SECTION 17 TOWNSHIP Sverdrup COUNTY Otter Tail

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1884

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SE 1/4 of Section 17, Twp. 133N Range 41W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Iver A. Bergem	1884 - 1918	Father of Julius
next owner Julius Bergem	1918 - 1928	Husband of Alma
next owner Alma Bergem, Widow	1928 - 1966	Mother of Donald
next owner Donald C. Bergem & Dorothy M. Bergem, his Wife	1966 - Present	
next owner		

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Donald C. Bergem

Dorothy M. Bergem

(signature of present owner)

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DATE April 14, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Homesteaded

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 164

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? -

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1969

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? grains & alfalfa

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

My Grandfather homesteaded this farm when he came from Norway in 1884. It was all hardwood timber at the time. He cleared some acres and built some log buildings, including a one room log house about 12 ft. x 14 ft. There was a small upstairs in it and another family from Norway lived with my Grandparents until he got his own farm. I was able to obtain the unrecorded Homestead papers from the National Archives and Records Administration and after considerable correspondence, have finally received all the papers pertaining to the Homestead application.

My father, Julius died of Pneumonia in 1928, at which time I was four years of age. I feel very fortunate to now own the Bergem Homestead now in joint tenancy with my wife Dorothy and it is our hopes that our two sons will continue to keep the Bergem farm in the family after the time comes that they inherit or purchase it from us.

Should you need further information, such as photo copies of the Homestead papers I received from the St. Cloud office, feel free to contact us. Thank you.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

ADDRESS

PHONE NUMBER

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

TOWNSHIP

COUNTY

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Lars Bredigheimer	1878	1956	Father
next owner Lawrence Bredigheimer	1957	1962	Father
next owner Carl & Helen Bredigheimer	1965	present	
next owner			
next owner			

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                                       |

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Carl Bredigheimer  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

May 12, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED?

Michael & Catherine Doll his wife

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL?

169.93

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE?

About 6.00 Per Acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN?

Mercer Co. Ohio

DID HE FARM THE LAND?

Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD?

no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

yes.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT?

1892

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS?

Corn, Wheat, Oats

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



5/15 OK  
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Edwin Johnson Jr - Donna Johnson  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Rt 1 Box 126 Pelican Rapids MN 56572  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (218) 863-4828  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same  
SECTION 35-34-26 TOWNSHIP Norwington Grove COUNTY Otter Tail  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 810  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1877  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) West 1/2 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Andrew Johnson</u>	<u>1877</u>	<u>1927</u>	<u>Father of August</u>
next owner <u>August Johnson</u>	<u>1927</u>	<u>1946</u>	<u>Father of Arthur</u>
next owner <u>Arthur Johnson</u>	<u>1946</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>Uncle of Edwin, Jr</u>
next owner <u>Edwin Johnson Jr</u>	<u>1975</u>		
next owner			

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☒ Abstract of Title  
☐ Land Patent  
☐ Original Deed

☐ Court file in Registration Proceeding  
☐ County Land Record  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Edwin Johnson Jr, Donna Johnson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-11-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Homesteaded

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_  
No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Don't Know

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1900

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Grain - Livestock

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Martin Kantrud  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Elizabeth Mn. 56533  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (218) 736-6448  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 14 TOWNSHIP Oscar COUNTY Otter Tail

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 137

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1884

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

*Original land owned by Ole S. Kantrud - SW 1/4 of SW 1/4, Sec 13, Twp 134, Range 44, Lot 4, Sec 14, Range 44, Lot 1, Sec 23 Twp 134, Range 44 - 83.15 acres*

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Ole S. Kantrud</u>	<u>1884</u> <u>1914</u>	<u>Father of C.O. Kantrud</u>
next owner <u>C.O. Kantrud</u>	<u>1914</u> <u>1953</u>	<u>Father of Martin</u>
next owner <u>Martin Kantrud</u>	<u>1953</u> <u>present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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( ) Original Deed ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Martin Kantrud  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-8-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Gulbrand Nilsson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1000 for 83.15 acres

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1884

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Small grain, Corn & alfalfa

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

I am now retired but still reside on the original <sup>farm</sup> additional land has been purchased adjoining the original farm, now 137 acres was 83.15 acres.  
Martin Kentrud



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Kerman & Avis Larson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Parkers Prairie Minnesota 56361  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (218) 338-5193  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 18-19 TOWNSHIP Eastern COUNTY Ottertail

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160 Acres ✓

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY October 10, 1881 ✓

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
W 1/2 of SE 1/4 Sec 18 & N 1/2 of NE 1/4 Sec. 19

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Herman Hawkinson</u>	<u>1881 - 1945</u>	<u>Father of Hortense</u>
next owner <u>Hortense</u> <u>Carl F. &amp; Carlson</u>	<u>1946 - 1983</u>	<u>Aunt of Kerman</u>
next owner <u>Kerman &amp; Avis Larson</u>	<u>1983 - 1986</u>	
next owner	<u>Present</u>	
next owner		

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                           |

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Kerman G. Larson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7/13/86

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes,

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Only log granary

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Oats, corn Hay

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER LeRoy and Maxine Schmidt  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Route #4 Box 33 Fergus Falls, Minnesota 56537  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (218) 736-6373  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same  
SECTION 20 TOWNSHIP Carlisle COUNTY Otter Tail  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 560  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1887  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) SE 1/4 of Section 20 Township 133 Range 44

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Herman A. Schmidt</u>	<u>1887</u> <u>1929</u>	<u>Father of Herman E.</u>
next owner <u>Herman E. Schmidt</u>	<u>1929</u> <u>1964</u>	<u>Father of LeRoy</u>
next owner <u>LeRoy Schmidt</u>	<u>1964</u> - <u>Present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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☒ Original Deed ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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LeRoy Schmidt Maxine Schmidt  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-21-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? William Taylor

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$ 8.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Approximately 1910

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, barley, wheat +

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Hogs soybeans

*Our three sons are presently farming in a partnership with their parents. All are married and have families.*



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Gilman and Helen Shirley

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Rothsay

MINNESOTA

56579

PHONE NUMBER

(218)

867-2304

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

23

TOWNSHIP

TROWDEN

COUNTY

OTTERTAIL

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

200

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1870

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

23 135 44

153.05

FR'L. NW 7

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner GUNDER Shirley Gunder 3rd, etc	1870 - 1916	FATHER
next owner MARTIN & Emilie	1916 - 1952	FATHER
next owner Gilman & Helen	1952 - Present	
next owner		
next owner		

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( ) County Land Record  
(X) Other Property Tax record

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Gilman Shirley

(signature of present owner)

DATE

June 29 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Homestead

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 155

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? - -

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

Tailor

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? House is still in good

shape built in 1871 second addition built in 1887

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT?

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Wheat, Oats, Barley, Beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

This farm rented out for first time by  
Present owner in 1987

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

*Dimmen Family Farm*

ADDRESS

*Thief River Falls, Minnesota 56701*

PHONE NUMBER

*(218) 681-2062*

city  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

*31 and 32*

TOWNSHIP

*Norden*

COUNTY

*Pennington*

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

*160 acres less highways*

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

*inherited 1952 and 1970*

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

*E 1/2 of NE 1/4 section 31  
W 1/2 of NW 1/4 section 32 - less highway (154-44)*

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <i>Severin L. Dimman</i>	<i>1881 - death in early 1900's</i>	<i>Father of Sivert</i>
next owner <i>Sivert Dimmen</i>	<i>early 1900's - 1952</i>	<i>brother - brother in law</i>
next owner <i>Mrs. Louis Dimmen</i>	<i>1952 - 1970</i>	<i>Sister-in-law (inherited by Louis Dimmen in 1952)</i>
next owner <i>Dimmen Family Farm</i>	<i>1970 to now</i>	<i>Family of Mr. &amp; Mrs. Louis Dimmen - (Son of first owner)</i>
next owner		<i>(Sons or children)</i>

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>Book Nordmanden in America</i>          |

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

*Dimmen Family Farm*  
*Mable Andresen (administrator)*  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

*May 15, 1987*

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Original Homestead  
HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 acres  
WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Homesteaded  
WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sondre Spndmore, Norway  
DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes  
DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? I  
don't think so -  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes  
IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No - The barn collapsed in  
about 1980 and the house about 1983  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_  
WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Rye, small grains,  
sunflowers -

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Severin Larson Klimmen, his wife and 2 sons, Louis and Sivert, were the first people or Norwegians to settle in Norden Township near what used to be called Sweet, Mn. Severin also homesteaded another quarter of land which Louis Klimmen later lived on in section 29. Patent on that is dated March 27th, 1893. This quarter was later sold to Burton Lane. Sivert and Louis Klimmen both died in 1952 - so our mother inherited the land. It is now owned by the members of her family: sons, Selmer, Clarence and Glenn Klimmen, Ella Johnson, Mable Andresen, and the children of Leona Paulson, Lloyd Klimmen and Elvin James Klimmen.

Mable Andresen



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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Charles S. Sorenson  
 (this name will appear on certificate)  
 ADDRESS Route 10<sup>th</sup> Thief River Falls, Mn. 56701  
 city state zip code  
 PHONE NUMBER (218) 681-1810  
 area code  
 ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same  
 SECTION 35 TOWNSHIP Norden COUNTY Pennington  
 NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 240  
 DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1883

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SW 1/4 of NW 1/4, N 1/2 SW 1/4 SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4  
Sec. 35 Twp 154 Rg. 44

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>and Mattie Sorenson</u> <u>Soren Sorenson</u>	<u>1883</u>	<u>1957</u>	<u>(to Sam)</u> <u>Father &amp; MOTHER</u>
next owner <u>Sam L. Sorenson</u>	<u>1957</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>Uncle (to Wendell)</u>
next owner <u>Wendell C. Sorenson</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1981</u>	<u>Son &amp; BROTHER</u> <u>(to Sam)</u> <u>(Brunell &amp; Elaine)</u>
next owner <u>Charles S. Sorenson,</u> <u>Brunell Allerson &amp;</u>	<u>1981</u>	<u>present</u>	
next owner <u>Elaine Maidment</u>			

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 ( ) Land Patent ( ) County Land Record  
 ( ) Original Deed (X) Other family records

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Charles S. Sorenson  
 (signature of present owner)

DATE May 28

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? 80 acres was homestead and 160 acres were purchased from neighbor Fred Olson  
HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 240

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1.00 per acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Both were born in Ullin, Denmark

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes except for wooded areas which he cleared over the years

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

He was a "farmer for hire" the first several years to help pay for his farm  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No - but barn was

built in 1946 & still in use. The house was destroyed by fire in 1951 & replaced at that time.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1951 rebuilt due to a fire

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Livestock and all small grains

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: The farm is adjacent to a <sup>Chippewa</sup> Indian burial <sup>(mounds)</sup> grounds. The Indians were their next door neighbors, somewhat "pesty" as they quickly learn there was food available on the Sorenson farm. The nearest town at that time was Crookston, Minn. - 40 miles by horse & buggy. Thief River Falls was not developed enough to provide shopping until later. Soren & Mattie Sorenson came from Denmark via a cattle boat across the Atlantic Ocean. It took 3 weeks to cross the span of water. Friends who had arrived 2 years earlier wrote them in Denmark about the great land deal available for homestead. In order to avoid Denmark's draft, he quickly took Mattie as his bride and their honeymoon was a long-ocean trip to America.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Clifford A. Behrendt, Jr  
Patricia A. Behrendt  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR 2, Box 80 Rush City MN 55069  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (612) 358-4233  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 34 TOWNSHIP 38 COUNTY Pine

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1885

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

West half of the southeast quarter (W 1/2 of SE 1/4) of Section 34,  
Township 38, Range 21, 80 acres

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Andrew P. Lind	1885 - 1915	Father of Albin
next owner Albin T. Lind & Ida E. Peterson-Lind	1915 - 1926	Husband of Ida Albin T. Lind expired Sept, 1926
next owner Ida E. P. Lind & L. J. Carlson	1926 - 1933	
next owner Ida E. P. Lind Carlson & Frank W. Carlson	1933 - 1970	Grandmother of Clifford Jr
next owner Clifford A. Behrendt, Jr	1970 - present	

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Clifford A. Behrendt Jr, Jr.  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 4-28-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$2.50

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1930

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn, hay, beef

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

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o/c

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Leland N. Johnson  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Rt. # 1, Box 71a, Sturgeon Lake, Minnesota 55783  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER 1- (218) 485-4100  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same  
SECTION NW 1/4 of Sec. 10 TOWNSHIP Birch Creek COUNTY Pine  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Homestead 1887  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) NW 1/4 of Township 45 Range 21

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Nils Johnson</u>	<u>1887 -1941</u>	<u>Father of Hugo</u>
next owner <u>Hugo V. Johnson</u>	<u>1941 -1971</u>	<u>Father of Leland</u>
next owner <u>Leland N. Johnson</u>	<u>1971 -present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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☐ Original Deed ☒ Other Homestead claim filed at (over)

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Leland N. Johnson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 6-18-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Homestead claim.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Free except small filing and prove up fees

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

Before filing Homestead worked in St. Paul as a Stone Mason for five years

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes, except for small temporary log cabin used the first three years. Present kitchen part of residence was built in 1890 and living room addition in 1898. Built of logs, covered with siding.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1890 and addition in 1898

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Now mostly hay, pasture and cattle raising. Before that small grains, rye and hay when dairying was prominent

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

In the beginning timber products were the main source of income.

Note: In the early years the first owners name was spelled "Nils" Johnson. Later when people became more americanized he used "Nels" Johnson.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER MRS RUTH ROBINSON  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RT 1 BOX 254 PINE CITY MINN 55063  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (612) 619-2313  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 09 TOWNSHIP 038 COUNTY PINE

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 10.2 ACRES

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1873

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

N 1/2 SE 1/4 W OF R R LESS N 2/3 OF SAID N 1/2 OF SE 1/4  
W OF RR TO HOWARD ROBINSON & S 1/2 OF SE 1/4 WEST OF RR

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner LUMBER GEORGE MORTON MAN	1873	SELLERLAND
next owner JAMES DUDLER	MARCH 17 1873 TO 1884	FATHER IN LAW
next owner + WIFE GEORGE A ROBINSON	1884 TO 1947	In estate PARENTS
next owner RUBY ROBINSON	1955 TO 1980	SISTER IN LAW
next owner HOWARD ROBINSON	1955 TO 1979	HUSBAND
next owner RUTH ROBINSON	1980	"

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- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Court file in Registration Proceeding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent                  | <input type="checkbox"/> County Land Record                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                                      |

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

RUTH ROBINSON  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-9-87

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL, MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? GEORGE W. MORTON LUMBIA MAN

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 102 ACRES

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? APPROX 10.00 PER ACRE

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? ROCHESTER NEW YORK

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? NO OUTRIGHT PURCHASE

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1898 ADDITIONS 1911 + 1938

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN, SOYBEANS GRAIN

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

In my father-in-law's early years on the farm he raised lots of potatoes for sale. The basement under the main house is extra deep in order to store part of the potatoes. One year when times were really hard and talk in the papers of some people in the Iowa cities going hungry and he offered to provide potatoes to fill a car if the railroad would take up the cost of shipping but they refused.



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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Verlyn Nelson  
 ADDRESS Route 2 Jasper Minnesota 56144  
 PHONE NUMBER (507) 348-4271  
city state zip code  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 34 TOWNSHIP Eden COUNTY Pipestone

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL <sup>Homestead application</sup> PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY April 4, 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

Northwest 1/4 of Section 34 in Township 105,  
Range 46

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Gustave Nelson	1887 - 1911	Caroline's husband
next owner Caroline Nelson	1911 - 1947	Gillert's Mother
next owner Gillert Nelson	1947 - 1967	Verlyn's Father
next owner Verlyn Nelson	1967 - Present	
next owner		

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|---|--|
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent                  | <input type="checkbox"/> County Land Record                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Deed     | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                           |

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Verlyn Nelson  
 (signature of present owner)

DATE May 5, 1987

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 ST. PAUL, MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? It was not purchased. We homesteaded it - from the U.S.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? It was free from U.S. Government

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? He was born on the boat enroute from Norway to the U.S.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? A portion of the house we live in, was the original house

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? About 1881 we think

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn + beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Alfred L. Olson Jr.  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS RT 1 Beltrami Minn 56517  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (218) 926-5622  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same  
SECTION 34 TOWNSHIP Russia COUNTY Polk  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1887  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) NW 1/4 Township 148 Range 46

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Ole Olson</u>	<u>1887 To 1922</u>	<u>Father of Alfred Sr.</u>
next owner <u>Alfred L. Olson Sr.</u>	<u>1922 To 1945</u>	<u>Father of Alfred Jr.</u>
next owner <u>Alfred L. Olson Jr.</u>	<u>1945 To Present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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- (X) Abstract of Title (X) Court file in Registration Proceeding:  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County Land Record  
(X) Original Deed ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Alfred L. Olson Jr.  
(signature of present owner)

DATE March 9, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? U.S. Government

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Minnesota

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1904

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Wheat - Barley - Sugar Beets

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*Farm has been occupied by a member of  
The Olson family at all Times.*

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Willard (Bill) & Darby Bowen  
 ADDRESS Rt. 4, Box 78, Glenwood, MN 56334  
 city state zip code  
 PHONE NUMBER ( 612 ) 268-3580  
 area code  
 ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same  
 SECTION 21 & 28 TOWNSHIP Grove Lake COUNTY Pope  
 NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 116.5  
 DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1877  
 LEAGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) Part S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  (36.50 Acres) Sec. 21; N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  (80.00 acres) Sec. 28

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Joseph Harmon	1877 1919	Father of C.A. Harmon
next owner C.A. Harmon	1919 1927	Brother of Francis
next owner Francis Harmon	1927 1953	Uncle of Jean
next owner Truman & Jean Bowen	1953 1983	Parents of Willard
next owner Willard & Darby Bowen	1983 present	

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- ☒ Abstract of Title      ☐ Court file in Registration Proceedings  
☐ Land Patent      ☐ County Land Record  
☐ Original Deed      ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Darby Bowen  
 (signature of present owner)

DATE June 3, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? U.S.A.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Indiana

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Part in 1920 - 1940 - 1972

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Beef cattle, pigs,  
Corn, Beans, Oats

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Darvin + Karen Christensen  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Rt. 3 Box 84, Sleepy Eye, Minnesota 56085  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 249-3939  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Same

SECTION

1

TOWNSHIP

Brookville

COUNTY

Redwood

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

April 1, 1987

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

North Half of the Southwest Quarter + South Half of the

South Half of the Northwest Quarter all in Section One

Township One Hundred Ten Range Thirty Five (N 1/2 SW 1/4 and S 1/2 NW 1/4 - 110.34)  
PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Mathias Christensen	4-1-1887	10-1-1900	Father of Ole
next owner + Ida Ole Christensen	10-1-1900	1976	+ Mother Father of Vernon
next owner Vernon Christensen	1976	1978	Father of Darvin
next owner Darvin Christensen	1979	- Present	
next owner			

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- ( ) Abstract of Title  
( ) Land Patent  
( ) Original Deed

- (X) Court file in Registration Proceeding  
( ) County Land Record  
( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Darvin Christensen

(signature of present owner)

DATE

5-30-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Einar Nelson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 240

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Total parcel purchased for \$4000.

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Hogs

SI TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Century Farm Owner Walter Knutson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

Address Belview, Mn. 56214

Address of farm, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

Section 27 Township Swedes Forest County Redwood

Number of acres in the farm at present 7.7

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1882

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

S. W 1/4 of Section 27 Township 114 Range 3.7

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Christen & Karen Knutson owner in 1877 or before	from 1882 to 1936	Parents
next owner	from 1937 to 1985	Walter and Nora Knutson Son and Daughter
next owner	from 1985 to Present	Walter Knutson
next owner	from to	Son
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title ☒  
Land Patent ☐  
Original Deed ☒  
County Land Record ☐

Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐  
Other (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Bernice Huseby  
(Witness sign here)

Date July 6, 1987

Walter Knutson  
(Signature of present owner)

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From whom was the farm purchased? \_\_\_\_\_

How many acres were in the original parcel? \_\_\_\_\_

What was the cost of land per acre? \_\_\_\_\_

Where was the first owner born? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? \_\_\_\_\_

Was this a homestead? \_\_\_\_\_

Did the first owner farm the land? \_\_\_\_\_

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? \_\_\_\_\_

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? \_\_\_\_\_

When was the present home built? \_\_\_\_\_

What are the farm's major crops or products? \_\_\_\_\_

Related information (please attach additional sheets if necessary)

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Century Farm Owner Bernice Huseby  
Jeanette Pederson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

Address Belview, MN 56214

Address of farm, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

Section 32+33 Township Swedes Forest County Redwood

Number of acres in the farm at present 160

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1880

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

W 1/2 of N.W 1/4 TWSP 114 RANGE 37  
E 1/2 of N.E 1/4 TWSP 114 RANGE 37

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
	from	to	
owner in 1877 or before <u>NELS W. Eide</u>	from 1880	to 1941	father
next owner <u>WILHELM, HANS + MARTIN Eide</u>	from 1941	to 1961	father
next owner <u>WILHELM, MARTIN Eide</u>	from 1961	to 1962	father
next owner <u>MARTIN Eide + CLARA Eide et al</u>	from 1962	to 1963	" and father-in-law
next owner <u>MARTIN Eide + Bernice Huseby + Jeanette Pederson</u>	from 1963	to 1984	" + grandfather
next owner <u>BERNICE HUSEBY</u>	from 1984	to Present	grand daughters
next owner <u>JEANETTE PEDERSON</u>			

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Land Patent ☐  
Original Deed ☒  
County Land Record ☐

Court file in Registration

Proceedings ☐

Other (please explain) family history

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

Amy Warner  
(Witness sign here)

Bernice Huseby  
Jeanette Pederson  
(Signature of present owner)

Date 5/7/87

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From whom was the farm purchased? \_\_\_\_\_

How many acres were in the original parcel? \_\_\_\_\_

What was the cost of land per acre? \_\_\_\_\_

Where was the first owner born? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? \_\_\_\_\_

Was this a homestead? \_\_\_\_\_

Did the first owner farm the land? \_\_\_\_\_

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? \_\_\_\_\_

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? \_\_\_\_\_

When was the present home built? \_\_\_\_\_

What are the farm's major crops or products? \_\_\_\_\_

Related information (please attach additional sheets if necessary)



I am writing to inquire if it  
would be possible for my sister  
and I to have each a certificate  
<sup>as</sup> ~~and~~ we are the only living owners.  
We would like to leave each a  
certificate to our families, in time.

Thank you,  
Bernice Huschey  
and  
Jeanette Pederson

Please send certificate as soon as  
possible. We will need for the local  
village 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary July 3-4+5.  
Thank you.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Kenneth O. Rachie  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Granite Falls Mn 56241  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 925 4432  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Belview, Minn

SECTION 29 & 30 TOWNSHIP Swedes Forest COUNTY Redwood

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 320 Swedes Forest

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1875 Deel

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) SW 1/4 Sec 29  
E 1/2 of SE 1/4 Sec 30 SW 1/4 Sec 30

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Kolbert Knutson</u>	FROM <u>Deel 1875</u> TO <u>1936</u>	<u>Sons &amp; Daughters</u>
next owner <u>Kolbert Knutson Heirs</u>	<u>1936 - 1960</u>	
next owner <u>Kenneth Rachie</u>	<u>1960 - present</u>	<u>Grandson</u>
next owner		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒ Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ☒  
Original Deed ☒ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Kenneth Rachie  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 13 May 87

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

would appreciate this being processed  
before the Belview Centennial 4 Jul 87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? John Sprague

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 A

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$6.

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norfolk, Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Bent & Borbro Hegdal, Belview, Minn

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1894

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Soybeans, & Wheat

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



Century Farm Owner

(his name will appear on certificate)

Mrs. Beata E. Sandager SampsonAddress R.R. 1 Box 58 B Belview Minn. 56214

Address of farm, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

Section 28 Township Swedes Forest County RedwoodNumber of acres in the farm at present 280Date of original purchase by member of your family Dec. 3, 1875

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, tax statement) Description of original 160A.  
Southwest 1/4 of Sec. 28 in Township 114 North of Range 37 West  
of 5<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian, containing according to US Survey 160 acres  
To be The same more or less

## PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Nils H. Sandager owner in 1877 or before	from 1875 to 1908	Father - husband
N.H. Sandager Estate next owner	from 1908 to 1917	Mother, 2 sisters & brothers
Martin N. Sandager next owner	from 1917 to 1943	Husband - father
M.N. Sandager Estate next owner	from 1943 to 1971	Mother and selves
Nels A. Sandager + <sup>Beata</sup> Sandager next owner <sub>Sampson</sub>	from 1971 to 1976	Brother & self
Beata E. Sampson next owner	from 1976 to —	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title ☒  
 Land Patent ☐  
 Original Deed ☐  
 County Land Record ☐

Court file in Registration

Proceedings ☐

Other (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

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

William A. Anderson  
 (Witness sign here)

Beata E. Sandager Sampson  
 (Signature of present owner)

Date June 12, 1987

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From whom was the farm purchased? Israel Sheldon

How many acres were in the original parcel? 160

What was the cost of land per acre? \$4.38

Where was the first owner born? Lunding - Haderslev, Denmark

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? on a 40 acre farm adjacent to this farm owned by his parents Morton & Catherine Sandager

Was this a homestead? No

Did the first owner farm the land? Yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? Not that I

know about.

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? yes

When was the present home built? about 1890 with a square addition about 1900

What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn & soy beans

Related information (please attach additional sheets if necessary)

1st entry on abstract -

United States by U.S. Grant;  
President, I.V. Burritt, Sec'y.  
I.M. Granger, Recorder General.  
Land office.

To

Israel Sheldon

Patent

Sioux Indian Trust Lands

Date Aug. 5 1869

Filed July 25 1877, 9 AM

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U.S. Land office Seal

Description of land

Israel Sheldon was from State of New Jersey, County & City of Orange.

He was no relation to the Sandager's so I assume he was what we would call a land speculator. ?

According to archeologists from the Minn. Historical Society who visited here in 1976 there was an Indian camp ground in one of the ravines of our pasture. They were able to locate it following a crude map done by a person in 1880 or so. It was 1880

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Century Farm Owner Orin Sander, Emmitt Sander ok  
(this name will appear on certificate)

Address Belview Minn 56214 6-19

Address of farm, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

Section 07 & 08 Township Swedes Forest County Redwood

Number of acres in the farm at present 282

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1868

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

Sec 7  
lot 6 + SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 township 114 range 37 90.5 acres  
Sec 08 lots 1 2 & 3 ex tr & S 1/2 of SW 1/4 township 114 range 37 192.48 acres

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
	from to	
owner in 1877 or before <u>Knud Knutson Berge</u>	from 1868 to 1887	<u>Father</u>
next owner <u>Anna Berge Sander</u>	from 1887 to 1936	<u>daughter of Knud Berge</u>
next owner <u>Oscar Sander</u>	from 1936 to 1944	<u>Son of Anna Sander</u>
next owner <u>Alice &amp; Emmitt Sander</u>	from 1944 to 1982	<u>wife of Oscar</u> <u>sons of Oscar</u>
next owner <u>Emmitt Sander</u>	from 1982 to Present	<u>sons of Oscar</u>
next owner	from to	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒  
Land Patent ☒  
Original Deed ☐  
County Land Record ☐

Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐  
Other (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Alice Huseby  
(Witness sign here)

Emmitt Sander  
Orin Sander  
(Signature of present owner)

Date June 3, 1987

Please return to: Century Farms  
Minnesota State Fair  
St. Paul, MN 55108

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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From whom was the farm purchased? \_\_\_\_\_

How many acres were in the original parcel? \_\_\_\_\_

What was the cost of land per acre? \_\_\_\_\_

Where was the first owner born? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Adams Co., Wisconsin

Was this a homestead? yes

Did the first owner farm the land? yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? \_\_\_\_\_

blacksmith

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? no

When was the present home built? 1907

What are the farm's major crops or products? wheat, corn, soybeans

Related information (please attach additional sheets if necessary)



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Century Farm Owner AL Fred P. Sorenson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

Address Morgan, Minnesota 56266

Address of farm, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

Section 26 & 27 Township 111 County Redwood

Number of acres in the farm at present 220 ✓

Date of original purchase by member of your family 6/4/1880 ✓

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

W 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Section 26 and E 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 27  
all in Township 111 Range 34

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Christian Sorenson owner in 1877 or before	from 6/4/1880 to 5/3/1937	Husband ✓
next owner	from to	
Caroline Sorenson next owner	from 5/3/1937 to June 7/1955	Mother
AL Fred P. Sorenson next owner	from 6/7/1955 to Present	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	
next owner	from to	

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Abstract of Title (✓)  
Land Patent ( )  
Original Deed ( )  
County Land  
Record ( )

Court file in Registration

Proceedings ( )

Other (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Alice M. Sorenson  
(Witness sign here)

AL Fred P. Sorenson  
(Signature of present owner)

Date August 25, 1986

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Minnesota State Fair  
St. Paul, MN 55108

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From whom was the farm purchased? Peter Jokumson & Matta Jokumson

How many acres were in the original parcel? 80

What was the cost of land per acre? \$7.50

Where was the first owner born? Denmark

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? ?

Was this a homestead? yes

Did the first owner farm the land? yes

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? No

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? yes

When was the present home built? \_\_\_\_\_

What are the farm's major crops or products? Corn, beans

Related information (please attach additional sheets if necessary)

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Helen Agre and Aimee Anderson (this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 4502 W. 7th St. Duluth, Minn. 55807

PHONE NUMBER (612) 765 2314

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 4 and 9 TOWNSHIP Hawk Creek COUNTY Penville

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Jan. 15, 1875

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Section 4 and N 1/2 of NW 1/4 of Section 9

All in Twp. 115 Range 38

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME <u>S 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 4</u> <u>and N 1/2 of NW 1/4 of Sec. 9</u>	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Martinus Olsen Agre</u>	<u>6-24-1885</u> <u>1-15-1895</u> <u>1905</u>	
next owner <u>Ole M. Agre</u>	<u>1-27-1905-1949</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner <u>Herbert M. Agre</u>	<u>3-29-1949-1963</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner <u>Herbert M. Agre interest</u> <u>Helen B. Agre 1/2 interest</u>	<u>7-26-1963-1971</u>	<u>son and his wife</u>
next owner <u>Helen B. Agre</u> <u>Aimee Anderson</u>	<u>8-20-1971-present</u>	<u>Herbert's ex-wife</u> <u>Herbert's daughter</u>

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☒ Land Patent  
☐ Original Deed

☐ Court file in Registration Proceedings  
☒ County Land Record  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Helen Agre  
Aimee Agre Anderson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 6-8-1987  
6-15-1987

Please Return To:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
COMO STATION, MN 55108

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$4

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Mobile home put on original site in 1976

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Wheat, corn, soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Called "Clover Leaf Dairy Farm"  
for a number of years.  
March 21, 1921 — ?



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Century Farm Owner Guste BLAD  
(this name will appear on certificate)

Address Rt. 1 Box 120 Hector, Minnesota 55342

Address of farm, if different from above Phone: 612-848-6547

Section 23 Township 114 Palmyra County Renville

Number of acres in the farm at present 160

Date of original purchase by member of your family 7-7-1887

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

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
	from	to	
owner in 1877 or before <u>John Magnuson BLAD</u>	<u>7-7-1887</u>	<u>12-21-1914</u>	<u>Great Grandfather</u>
next owner <u>Gustav Mauts BLAD</u>	<u>12-21-1914</u>	<u>3-11-1929</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
next owner <u>Paul Moody BLAD</u>	<u>3-11-29</u>	<u>7-31-67</u>	<u>Uncle</u>
next owner <u>Paul Moody BLAD</u>	<u>7-31-67</u>	<u>12-29-74</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owner <u>Ruth BLAD</u>	<u>12-29-74</u>	<u>3-31-78</u>	<u>Mother</u>
next owner <u>Guste BLAD</u>	<u>3-31-78</u>	<u>to present</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner			

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Abstract of Title (X)  
Land Patent ( )  
Original Deed ( )  
County Land Record (X)

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Other (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Neil Christensen  
(Witness sign here)

[Signature]  
(Signature of present owner)

Date 6/15/87

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Minnesota State Fair  
St. Paul, MN 55108

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From whom was the farm purchased? Hastings & Dakota Railway Co.

How many acres were in the original parcel? 40-160

What was the cost of land per acre? \$7.00

Where was the first owner born? Sweden

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Sweden

Was this a homestead? No

Did the first owner farm the land? Yes No

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? No

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? Not for sure

When was the present home built? 1949

What are the farm's major crops or products? CORN - Soy beans, Sugar beets

Related information (please attach additional sheets if necessary)

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

James Terrance Brazil

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Route #1, Box 22

Morton

Mn.

56270

PHONE NUMBER

( 507 ) 697-6248

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

-

SECTION 21

TOWNSHIP 113 - 34

COUNTY Renville

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 5-15-1876

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> 21 - 113 - 34

NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> 21 - 113 - 34

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner James Brazil	FROM	
Terance Brazil	TO May 15, 1876	Great Grandfather
next owner		
Bridget Brazil	July 25, 1883	Great Grandmother
next owner		
Terance Brazil	Dec. 10, 1894	Grandfather
next owner		
Ellen Brazil	May 31, 1928	Grandmother
next owner		
Joe Berger	Aug. 2, 1948	Uncle
James T. Brazil	Dec. 6, 1971	

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Abstract of Title (x)

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent (x)

County Land Record (x)

Original Deed ( )

OTHER

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

*James Terrance Brazil*  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE June 2, 1987

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? NE $\frac{1}{4}$  & NW $\frac{1}{4}$  21 - 113 - 34

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1.25

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Ireland

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Unknown

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Unknown

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? Yes, part of the original home is located on the family farm.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? -

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn and soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Larry C. and Ramona K Breitkreutz  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Rt 3 Box 20

Renville

Minn.

56284

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 826-2248  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

14

TOWNSHIP

Flora 114-36

COUNTY

Renville

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

200

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

April 6, 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

N.W. 1/4 Sec. 14 Twp 114 Rge 36

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>first owner</u> <u>Ferdinand H. Breitkreutz</u>	FROM <u>May 26, 1886</u> TO <u>April 20, 1901</u>	<u>Son</u>
<u>next owner</u> <u>Anna L. Breitkreutz</u>	<u>April 20, 1901</u> <u>Nov 24, 1920</u>	<u>Mother</u>
<u>next owner</u> <u>Herman aka Ferdinand H. Breitkreutz</u>	<u>Aug 10, 1947</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>next owner</u> <u>Reinhart's Alice Breitkreutz</u>	<u>June, 1948</u>	<u>Uncle's aunt</u>
<u>next owner</u> <u>Larry C &amp; Ramona K Breitkreutz</u> (Contract for Deed)	<u>April, 1973</u> <u>to present</u>	

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Abstract of Title (X)

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent (X)

County Land Record (X)

Original Deed ( )

OTHER

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Larry C Breitkreutz

(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE

6/16/87

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Reinhart & Alice Breitkreutz

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL?.

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 275.<sup>00</sup>

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM?

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? *No*

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1955 - added on 1983

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Soybeans - Pork

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER David C. Larson  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS 221 Boy 122 Hector Minnesota 55342  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (612) 848-2469  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION 27 TOWNSHIP Palmyra COUNTY Renville  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 280  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 5-4-1887 SE4 of NE4 Sec. 27  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
NE4 & N2 of NW4 & SE4 of NW4 Township 114 Rang 33

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Fred Larson</u>	<u>5-4-1887 to 8-23-1941</u>	<u>Husband</u>
next owner <u>Anna J. Larson &amp; etal</u>	<u>8-23-41 to 3-20-47</u>	<u>Mother</u>
next owner <u>John B. Larson</u>	<u>3-20-47 to 1-13-82</u>	<u>Uncle</u>
next owner <u>David C. Larson</u>	<u>1-13-82 to Present</u>	
next owner		

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( ) Land Patent      (☒) County Land Record  
( ) Original Deed      ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

David Larson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 4-17-87

Please Return To:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? K.W. Stare & Jennir Stare his Wife

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 40

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$ 7.50

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Holand, Sweden

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1955

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Beans, Wheat,

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Sweet Corn & Peas



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Eugene T Ytterboe and Marlene E. Ytterboe  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 111 Sunset Dr. St. James, Minn 56081  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (507) 375-5757  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE RR - Bird Island, Minn

SECTION 16 TOWNSHIP 114 COUNTY Renville

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 199

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1886

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)  
Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) and the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NW 1/4 of SW 1/4) excepting therefrom Lot one (1) in the Southwest Corner of said Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NW 1/4 of SW 1/4) all in Section sixteen (16), Township one Hundred fourteen (114) North, Range thirty-three (33) West, containing 199 acres more or less  
PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>State of Minn to Ole Olson Nordskog</u>	<u>May 27, 1886</u>	<u>Great Grandfather of Eugene Ytterboe - Present owner</u> <u>Husband of Gunhild</u>
next owner <u>Gunhild Ole Olson Nordskog</u>	<u>Sept 21, 1886 - Apr 21, 1924</u>	<u>Father of Ole Jr</u>
next owner <u>Ole Nordskog Jr</u>	<u>Apr 21, 1924 - Jan 1960</u>	<u>Husband of Marie</u>
next owner <u>Marie Nordskog</u>	<u>Jan 1960 - Sept 11, 1962</u>	<u>Great Aunt of Eugene T Ytterboe</u>
next owner <u>Eugene + Marlene Ytterboe</u>	<u>Sept 11, 1962 to Present</u>	<u>Present owners</u>

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- ☒ Abstract of Title  
☐ Land Patent  
☒ Original Deed

- ☐ Court file in Registration Proceedings  
☒ County Land Record Renville Co.  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Eugene T Ytterboe  
Marlene E. Ytterboe  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 30, 1987

Please Return To:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
COMO STATION, MN 55108

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Ole Nordskog Jr.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 199

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Homesteaded

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No.

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? A sod house was built first ~~the 1st year~~ after which the present house was built.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? in the 1880's

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn- soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

built —?  
Sod House built in ~~1880~~ - Ole Olson Nordskog homesteaded and lived in it one year. Ole Olson Nordskog - Great Grandfather of Eugene Ytterboe - emigrated from Norway in 1869.  
Ole Olson Nordskog the beginning of the original house (basement) and a few years later built the present house.

We have the the original breaking plow (wooden beam) used to break the virgin prairie - pulled by oxen - on this farm. this Plow is displayed in our basement family room. Eugene & Marlene Ytterboe you are welcome to come see it!!

6/15

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Willard & Lenora Kuball  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS R. R.#2 Box 135 Waterville Minnesota 56096  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER ( 507 ) 685-2359  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION 31 TOWNSHIP Shieldsville COUNTY Rice  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 181  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY April 6, 1887  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
SECT-31 TWP -110 RANG -22 SE4 EX & S2 SE4 NE4 & SW4 NE4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner William Saemrow	April 6, 1887 Dec. 1945	Father of Bertha
next owner Albert & Bertha Kuball	December 1945 Feb. 1972	Willard's Father & Mother
next owner Willard & Lenora Kuball	Feb. 1972 Present	
next owner		
next owner		

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Court file in Registration Proceedings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Land Record                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed     | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                                       |

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Willard Kuball  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 6-8-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? W. L. Eddy

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$20.31

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Pommern, Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?  
No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? ~~Yes~~

~~Yes~~ An old barn is for storage and sow barn

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1897

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Dairy Cows, Hogs  
Corn, Oats, Hay

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Willard's sons raise suffolk and suffolk  
cross sheep



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Paul Oldre  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Rt. 1 Box Kenneth Mn. 56147  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 283-2775  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same  
SECTION 10 TOWNSHIP Vienna COUNTY Rock  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 79 original 400 total  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1887  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) 5 1/2 of SE 1/4 Township T-103-N  
Range R-44-W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Nels Oldre</u>	<u>1887 - 1934</u>	<u>Father of Paul</u>
next owner <u>Paul Oldre</u>	<u>1934 - 1987</u>	
next owner		
next owner		
next owner		

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( ) Original Deed ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Paul Oldre  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 6-15-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? estate

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 79

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$70. +

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1887-1888 a portion of it

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn & Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Harry Olson and Henry Olson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Steen Minnesota 56173  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (507) 855-2349  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 28 TOWNSHIP 101 COUNTY Rock

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160 acres less road ✓

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY August 21, 1877 ✓

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

Northeast Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section 28, Township 101 North, Range 45 West  
of the 5th P.M.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner		
SEE REVERSE SIDE		
next owner		
next owner		
next owner		
next owner		

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent                  | <input type="checkbox"/> County Land Record                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                           |

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Henry Olson Harry Olson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE October 14, 1986

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? From U.S. Government Patent

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Homesteaded

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Part of the present home was built in approximately 1882 and part in 1900.

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn and soybeans

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: DESCRIPTION OF OWNERSHIP:

Hans Olsen acquired the above described property by a Duplicate Final Receiver's Receipt in 1877 and by Patent in 1878. Hans Olsen died and the title to the property was transferred by a Final Decree in 1902 whereby Anne Olsen, the widow of Hans Olsen, acquired a life estate; Ole H. Olson, a son of Hans Olsen, acquired a life estate to the entire farm and acquired an undivided 1/3 remainder interest in the above premises; Lina Bergite Peterson and Gurine Olsen, daughters of Hans Olsen, each acquired an undivided 1/3 remainder interest subject to the aforesaid two life estates of Anne Olsen and Ole H. Olson. In 1910 Lina Bergite Peterson and Gurine Olsen Hanson conveyed their 2/3 remainder interest to Karen Olson, the wife of Ole H. Olson, and sister-in-law of Lina Bergite Peterson and Gurine Olsen Hanson. Anne Olsen died in 1914. Ole H. Olson died in 1936 and Karen Olson died in 1918 both leaving their interest in the farm to their 7 children, namely, Inga Olson, Effie Olson, Harry Olson, Oscar Olson, Alice Olson, Laura Olson and Henry Olson. Inga Olson, Effie Olson, Oscar Olson, Alice Olson and Laura Olson conveyed to their brothers, Harry Olson and Henry Olson, their interest to the farm in 1947 and 1948.



*Walter A. Tofteland*

ATTORNEY AT LAW

109 N. CEDAR STREET

*Luverne, Minnesota*

56156

October 14, 1986

Ms. Joan Frawley  
Communications Department  
Century Farms  
Minnesota State Fair  
St. Paul, MN 55108

Dear Ms. Frawley:

Thank you for your enclosures concerning a proposed Century Farm. Enclosed please find an application submitted by Henry Olson and Harry Olson concerning their farm. Due to the fact that it was difficult to incorporate the ownerships in the space provided on the form, a detailed listing was made on the back of the application. If you find that this information is insufficient or not clear, kindly advise. If you find everything to be in order, I would appreciate it if you would proceed with the processing of the application.

Thanking you for your attention, I remain

Sincerely,

*Walter A. Tofteland*

Walter A. Tofteland

WAT:cw

Enclosure

5/4

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Virgil Severtson  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Rt. 2 Box 120 Hills MN 56138  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507 ) 962-3796  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same  
SECTION 08 TOWNSHIP Martin COUNTY Rock  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Homesteaded 1872  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) SE 1/4 Sec. 08 Township 101 Range 46 160

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Ole Severtson	1872 - 1934	Father of Peter O.
next owner Severtson Estate	1934 - 1940	Sons & Daughters of Ole
next owner Peter O. Severtson	1940 - 1959	Father of Virgil
next owner Severtson Estate	1959 - 1969	Mother of Virgil
next owner Virgil Severtson	1969 - Present	

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Virgil Severtson  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5/7/87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Homesteaded

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? The house is still in use as is a chicken house + corn crib.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Remodeled in 1919

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn + Beans + Cattle

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

7/9  
OK

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Duane J. and Katherine M. Deutsch  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 4820 W. 245<sup>th</sup> St Jordan MN 55352  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (412) 492-2392  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 17 TOWNSHIP Helena COUNTY Scott

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1878

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
17 113 23 79.5 5 1/2 NW 1/4 EX .5 HWY

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner		
<u>John Deutsch Jr.</u>	<u>1878 - 1902</u>	<u>Father of Joseph &amp; Henry</u>
next owner		
<u>Joseph &amp; Henry Deutsch</u>	<u>1902 - 1907</u>	<u>same person</u>
next owner		
<u>Joseph P. Deutsch</u>	<u>1907 - 1950</u>	<u>Father of Arthur</u>
next owner		
<u>Arthur N + Eunice Deutsch</u>	<u>1950 - 1979</u>	<u>Husband of Eunice</u>
next owner		
<u>Eunice Deutsch</u>	<u>1979 - 1981</u>	<u>mother of Duane</u>

Duane J. + Katherine Deutsch 1981 - present

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( ) Original Deed ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Duane Deutsch Katherine M. Deutsch  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 3, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Eunice Deutsch

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 140

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1400

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Helena Township

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1913

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Dairy - corn - beans -  
alfalfa

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Elford Ehlers  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R2503 Glencoe Minn 55336  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (612) 864-4185  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same

SECTION 4 TOWNSHIP Green Isle COUNTY Liberty

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 154.50

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY March 18, 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

Sect 04 Twp. 114 Range 27 E 1/2 of SW 1/4 & NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 Ex  
5.5 AA & SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 = 154.50 AC.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Friedrich Boesting</u>	<u>1887 to 1919</u>	<u>Anna Boesting &amp; Gust &amp; Frieda Ehlers</u> <i>son in law &amp; daughter</i>
next owner <u>Anna Boesting &amp; Gust &amp; Frieda Ehlers</u>	<u>1919 to 1944</u>	<u>Gust &amp; Frieda Ehlers</u>
next owner <u>Gust &amp; Frieda Ehlers</u>	<u>1940 to 1960</u>	<u>Elford Ehlers</u> <i>son of Gust &amp; Frieda</i>
next owner <u>Elford Ehlers</u>	<u>1960 to present</u>	<u>Ehlers</u>
next owner		

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Elford Ehlers

(signature of present owner)

DATE April 17, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Fredrick Voigt

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$50.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Carver County

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

Ditching

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1900

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn Wheat & Oats

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

DEL FORD HASS

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

RR2, BOX 85, WINTHROP

MN

55396

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 647-5531

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SAME

SECTION

9+10

TOWNSHIP

TRANSIT

COUNTY

SIBLEY

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

241 ✓

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1880 ✓

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  - NW $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  - SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  9-113-29

W $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  10-113-29

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1880	
<u>JOHN HASS</u>	TO 1886	FATHER OF ALBERT
next owner	FROM 1886	
<u>ALBERT HASS</u>	TO 1923	FATHER OF OTTO
next owner	FROM 1923	
<u>OTTO C. HASS</u>	TO 1980	FATHER OF DELFORD
next owner	FROM 1980 -	
<u>DEL FORD HASS</u>	Present	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (X)

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed (X)

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Del Ford Hass

(signature of present owner)

DATE

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1895

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn - Soybeans - Oats

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Hogs - Cattle

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Ida Beuning  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Preport

city

state

zip code

PHONE NUMBER

( )

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

TOWNSHIP

COUNTY

Stearns

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1881

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner		
next owner		
next owner		
next owner		
next owner		

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Eugene Haider  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Route 2 <sup>Box 160</sup> Belgrade Mn 56312  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (612) 987-3279  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same  
SECTION 3 TOWNSHIP Lake George COUNTY Stearns  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 240  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY April 28, 1886  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) W 3/4 of N 1/2 of NE 1/4, E 1/2 of NW 1/4, NW 1/4 of NW 1/4, N 3/4 of S 1/2 of NE 1/4, of Township 124, Range 34  
PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Lorenz Haider</u>	<u>1886 - 1934</u>	<u>Father to Henry</u>
next owner <u>Henry Haider, Sr.</u>	<u>1934 - 1967</u>	<u>Father to Eugene</u>
next owner <u>Eugene Haider</u>	<u>1967 - present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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☒ Original Deed      ☒ Other Contract for Deed

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Eugene Haider  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7/15/87

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by July 15.



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Wilhelm Berns

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Illmitz, Austria

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1946

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Alfalfa,

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Oats, and Dairy Cows

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER David and Carol Heinze  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Rt 3 Belgrade, MN 56312  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (612) 254-8438  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION 28 TOWNSHIP Lake George COUNTY Stearns  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160A (Sec. 28) + 143 (Section 26)  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1887  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
Sec 28-Twp 124 Range 34 160 A NW 4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Joseph</u>	<u>1887 - 1943</u>	<u>Father of William</u>
next owner <u>William P. Heinze</u>	<u>1943 - 1974</u>	<u>Father of David</u>
next owner <u>David &amp; Carol Heinze</u>	<u>1974 - present</u>	<u>Son</u>
next owner		
next owner		

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David J. Heinze  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 6-30-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? John Schummer

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 11.25

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? yes

Registered Cabinet maker, Blacksmith, Carpenter

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes - Summer Kitchen

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1880 - Moved to present site in 1905

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Dairy

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

The farm was bought from John Schummer who was a first cousin of Joseph Heine. We have no written proof only verbal. Mr. Schummer had the farm in 1885. We were in contact with Mr. Schummers son and he recalls being related, but he also didn't have any written proof.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER ARTHUR MILLER  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS RT. 4 BOX 192 SAUK CENTRE MINN. 56378  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (612) 352-3293  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME  
SECTION 4 TOWNSHIP GETTY COUNTY STEARNS  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1886  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) S. 1/2 N.W. 1/4 and N. 1/2 SW 1/4  
TOWNSHIP 125 RANGE 34

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner ANTHONY MILLER	1886 - 1910	FATHER OF JOSEPH
next owner JOSEPH MILLER	1910 - 1961	FATHER OF ARTHUR
next owner ARTHUR MILLER	1961 - PRESENT	
next owner		
next owner		

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- ☒ Abstract of Title      ( ) Court file in Registration Proceeding  
( ) Land Patent      ( ) County Land Record  
( ) Original Deed      ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Arthur B. Miller  
(signature of present owner)

DATE May 20, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Boos, WEST GERMANY

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER JAMES E. OEHRLIN  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RT. 2 BOX 149, ALBANY, MINN. 56307  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (612) 845-2512  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 30 TOWNSHIP KRAIN COUNTY STEARNS

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 158

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

SECT. 30 TWP 126 RANG 31 158.00 A. W2NE4 ALSO W2SE4  
LESS S 53 + 1/3 RDS OF W 6RDS OF NW4SE4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>JOHN OEHRLIN</u>	<u>1887 - 1924</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
next owner <u>WILLIAM OEHRLIN</u>	<u>1924 - 1957</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
next owner <u>JAMES OEHRLIN</u>	<u>1957 - PRESENT</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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☐ Original Deed ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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James E. Oehrlin  
(signature of present owner)

DATE April 24, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? MATHIAS BALANCHICH - 1883

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? MORTGAGE FOR WHOLE FARM WAS 400.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? EUROPE - ~~PROBABLY~~ GERMANY

DID HE FARM THE LAND? ~~2~~ YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1900

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? DAIRY - ALFALFA, CORN

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*my wife, Valeria, and I have nine children, 5 girls and 4 boys. There don't seem to be any farmers in the bunch. We're right back where we started from 100 yrs. ago. The Indians will probably get it back.*



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Floyd & Joyce Rodenwald  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

AIBANY  
city

Minnesota state 56307 zip code

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 845-4699  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SAME

SECTION

18 & 20

TOWNSHIP

AIBANY

COUNTY

STEARNS

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

Oct 18th 1886

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 18, SE 1/4 - NW 1/4 of Section 20, SW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 20, NW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 20 Township-125 Range 31

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Wilhelm Rodenwald</u>	<u>1886 - 1915</u>	<u>Father of Albert</u>
next owner <u>Albert Rodenwald</u>	<u>1915 - 1936</u>	<u>Father of Alfred</u>
next owner <u>Alfred Rodenwald</u>	<u>1936 - 1978</u>	<u>Father of Floyd</u>
next owner <u>Floyd Rodenwald</u>	<u>1978 - present</u>	
next owner		

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(X) Original Deed

- (X) Court file in Registration Proceedings  
( ) County Land Record  
( ) Other

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Floyd Rodenwald  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

7/10/87

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by July 15.



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED?

August Kuhl

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL?

120 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE?

\$10.00 acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN?

Germany (Pommern)

DID HE FARM THE LAND?

Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

Worked for the ~~Railroad~~ Great Northern Railroad

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD?

Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT?

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS?

Dairy - Hay, Corn

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Mark Schneider

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Atel Box 212

Kimball

Mn

55355

city

state

zip code

PHONE NUMBER

(612)

398-7221

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

same

SECTION

15

TOWNSHIP

Maine Prairie

COUNTY

Stearns

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

May 21, 1883

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SE 1/4 SW 1/4 of sec. 15,

Twp. 122, Rge. 29

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner		
Herman Schneider	1883 - 1928	Father of Henry
next owner		
Henry Schneider	1928 - 1963	Father of Mark
next owner		
Mark Schneider	1963 - present	
next owner		
next owner		

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☐ Original Deed

- ☐ Court file in Registration Proceeding  
☐ County Land Record  
☐ Other

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Mark Schneider  
(signature of present owner)

DATE Feb. 21 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Wendelin May

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 40

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Consideration 200.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Don't know

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn oats Steers hogs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

OK  
6-30

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Gerald J. Sonnen  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R.R. 3 Melrose Minnesota 56352  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (612) 256-4997  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 2 TOWNSHIP Grove COUNTY Stearns

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 49.2

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY June 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

SW 1/4 of Section 2 Township 125N Range 33N

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Sonnen</u> <u>Peter &amp; Catharina</u>	<u>1887 - 1914</u>	<u>Parents of Nick</u>
next owner <u>Sonnen</u> <u>Nicholaus &amp; Karolina</u>	<u>1914 - 1948</u>	<u>Parents of</u> <u>Daughters</u>
next owner <u>Daughters of</u> <u>Nicholaus &amp; Karolina</u>	<u>1948</u> <u>1953</u>	<u>Sisters of</u> <u>Lambert Sonnen</u>
next owner <u>Sonnen</u> <u>Lambert &amp; Veronica</u>	<u>1953</u> <u>1972</u>	<u>Parents of</u> <u>Gerald Sonnen</u>
next owner <u>Sonnen</u> <u>Gerald Sonnen</u>	<u>1972</u> <u>Present</u>	

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|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title | <input type="checkbox"/> Court file in Registration Proceedings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent                  | <input type="checkbox"/> County Land Record                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                            |

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Gerald Sonnen  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 25 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Napoleon + Lydia B. Adley

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$14.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

Part of house could be Original

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1933

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn Hay Milk Cattle

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

6-29  
ok

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Elmer + Jaletta Stommes  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Richmond, Minn. 56368  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (612) 453-5220  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE (Same)  
SECTION 13 TOWNSHIP Eden Lake COUNTY Stearns  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 140  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1887  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> - SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> - Sec. 13 - Twp 122 - Range 31

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Peter Theis</u>	<u>1887 - 1942</u>	<u>Father of Daniel</u>
next owner <u>Daniel Theis</u>	<u>1942 - 1953</u>	<u>Father of Jaletta</u>
next owner <u>Elmer + Jaletta Stommes</u>	<u>1953 - present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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( ) County Land Record  
(x) Other Court House St. Cloud

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Jaletta Stommes  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 25, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Victor & Beatrice Tschida  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Rt 2 Box 197 Freeport Minn 56331  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (612) 836-2454  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION Twelve TOWNSHIP Millwood COUNTY Stearns

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 159 Acres

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Dec 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) The North half of the northeast quarter & the north half of the north-west quarter of sec. twelve

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>John Tschida</u>	<u>Dec 29, 1887 - Nov 8, 1901</u>	<u>Brother of Joseph</u>
next owner <u>Joseph Tschida</u>	<u>Nov 8, 1901 - 1924</u>	<u>Father of Herman</u>
next owner <u>Herman Tschida</u>	<u>1924 - 1962</u>	<u>Father of Victor</u>
next owner <u>Victor Tschida</u>	<u>1962 - present</u>	
next owner		

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Victor & Beatrice Tschida  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 10, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

ERVIN A. ZEIS - EILEEN J. ZEIS  
(this name will appear on certificate)

de  
6-26

ADDRESS Route 2 Box 212 ALBANY, MN. 56307  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 845-2828  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 25 TOWNSHIP KRAIN COUNTY STEARNS

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT ~~222~~ (380 Acres in 4 different Sections)

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 8-23-1886

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) SECTION 25

TWP-126 RANGE-31 200 Acres SW4 NE4 and  
S2 NW4 and N2 SW4 (this is 200 Acre Home Farm  
description - where the  
Century Farm comes in)

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	<u>8-23-1886</u>	
<u>John Zeis</u>	FROM <u>Warranty deed</u> TO <u>1893</u>	<u>Father of Joseph</u>
next owner	<u>1893</u> <u>1942</u>	<u>Father of John</u>
<u>Joseph Zeis</u>	<u>1942</u> <u>1970</u>	<u>Father of Ervin</u>
next owner	<u>1970</u> <u>to present 1987</u>	
<u>Ervin + Eileen Zeis</u>		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒ Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Ervin A Zeis - Eileen J Zeis  
(signature of present owner)

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DATE June 25, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? ~~I believe so~~ unknown.

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? Yes part of house is log-original part of  
first house - and then addition was built on many  
years ago.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 2

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn, oats, hay, beef, hogs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: at present we have much of our  
land in the conservation Reserve program.  
Some is rented out. Some hay is made  
on shares.

6115  
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER John M. Crabtree and Eleanor Crabtree  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Ellendale Minnesota 56026  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 684-2216  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Route 1, New Richland, MN 56072  
SECTION 16 TOWNSHIP 105-N COUNTY Steele  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 132  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1886  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 16, Township 105-N Range 21-W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Peter J. Johnson	1886	1936	Father of Arthur
next owner Arthur B. Johnson	1936	1959	Father of Eleanor Crabtree
next owner John M Crabtree & Eleanor Crabtree	1959	- present	
next owner			
next owner			

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( ) Original Deed ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

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John M. & Eleanor Crabtree  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 9, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Frederick R. Brown

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 113 Acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Barn that was built in 1899 is still standing

\_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1971

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn, soybeans, alfalfa

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

John F. and Dorothy S. Hondl  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR 4 Box 227 Owatonna, Minnesota 55060  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 451-8839  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 19 & 20 TOWNSHIP Aurora COUNTY Steele

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 393

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1881

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) Sec 19-7

W<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Sec 20 E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1881	
<u>John Hondl</u>	TO <del>1881</del> 1904	Father of Anton
next owner	1904 TO	
<u>Anton J. Hondl</u>	1949	Father of John F.
next owner	1949 TO	
<u>Lena Hondl</u>	1952	Mother of John F.
next owner	1952 -	
<u>John F. &amp; Dorothy S. Hondl</u>	present	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒ Court file in Registration Proceedings ☐  
Land Patent ☐ County Land Record ☒  
Original Deed ☐ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

John F. Hondl Dorothy S. Hondl  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE

7/15/87

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? R.A. Mott & Railroad

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Wisconsin

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? soybeans, wheat,

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: corn, beef cattle

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Everett D Mollenhauer  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Orwatonna  
city

Minnesota  
state

55060  
zip code

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 451-1129  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

same

SECTION

2

TOWNSHIP

Somerset

COUNTY

Steele

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

$\frac{1}{2}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  and NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  all in section 2  
-106-20

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<del>unitd state to</del> Jesse B. Daylor first owner		
<del>unitd state to</del> Jesse B. Daylor next owner	May 11, 1859 - Mar. 1873	none
Erastus H. Charles next owner	March 7 - 1873 to April 1, 1875	none
Neil Graham next owner	Feb. 4, 1878 - Dec. 10, 1910	none
Charles H. Mollenhauer next owner	Dec. 10, 1910 - Dec. 11 - 1918	Father
John B. Mollenhauer	Dec. 11, 1918 to Feb. 25 1953	Father

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☐ County Land Record  
☐ Other

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Everett D Mollenhauer  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

May 16, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

\_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1912

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn and beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

<u>nest owner</u>	<u>from</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Blood relate</u> <u>to next owner</u>
Roy C. Mollenhauer and Everett H Mollenhauer	Feb 25, 1953	to June 10 1979	brother
Everett H Mollenhauer	June 10, 1979	to May 16, 1987	brother

Alice Box 66 Hope, MN 56046 sent to 11

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

ADDRESS

PHONE NUMBER

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

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PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	John Henry Burns	Father
next owner	Margaret A. Burns Kast	Mother
next owner	Beatrice Kast Wistrell	
next owner	Alice Kast Slezak Earl Kast (deceased)	① Elroy, ② Jerome Kast
next owner		

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☐ County Land Record  
☐ Other

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Alice Kast Slezak  
Beatrice Kast Wistrell  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-27-1987

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played ball with them, talked Norwegian too. Our mother told of an Indian uprising near Markato and how the men in the neighborhood started out with guns but when they got as far as New Richmond they received word that everything was under control so they came back home.

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Harace + Mary Arthur

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 200 A.

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$750.00 for 200 A.

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Ireland - County Kildare

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? The home that was moved was built in 1881 - our mother had a log cabin

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn - soy beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Being a farmer a barn was built first and the log house was replaced by a new house 101 years ago. This house was sold and moved from the farm about 10 years ago. The farm is located on the North bank of Beaver Lake and part of the farm was put into lots which now have cabins on it. The farm site was made into a cul.-d.-sac with 11 lots on it. John Burns had a brother Lewis who had a farm on the South side of Beaver Lake and a brother Jim who lived on the West end of Beaver Lake. The rest of the neighbors were Norwegians and Swedes. All talked Norwegian and Swedish - so our Uncle Jim, who (top)



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

*OK AD*  
FERIV N. McGee  
(this name will appear on certificate)

*Rel  
Gt*  
ADDRESS

DANVERS  
city

MINN  
state

RT1 Box 8-56231  
zip code

PHONE NUMBER

(612) 562-2158  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 28

TOWNSHIP Six Mile Grove

COUNTY Swift

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

4-24-53

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SW $\frac{1}{4}$ -NE $\frac{1}{4}$  and S $\frac{1}{2}$ -NW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 28, Twp. 121, Rge. 40.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Michael McGee	Mortgage dated 6/1/36 (Patent) 6-23-1888--- 2-11-1903	
next owner James McGee Bridget, John, Terrance &	2-11-1903---12-30-1913	wife & sons of Michael
next owner John & Terrance & James McGee	12-30-1913---4-24-53	sons of Michael
next owner Thomas McGee <i>died march 1976</i>	4-24-53---11-28-77	son of John McGee
next owner Fern McGee	11-28-77---present	wife of Thomas

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( ) Original Deed

- ( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings  
(~~xxx~~) County Land Record  
( ) Other mortgage deed enclosed

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

*Fern N. McGee*  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

July 7-1986

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## MORTGAGE DEED RECORD.

Printers, Lithographers and Stationers, St. Louis.

Register of Deeds.

In the presence of

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In presence of

Mortgage recorded on page 413

book 76 page 573 on the 22 day of Dec -

A. D. 1892 at 11 o'clock A. M.

J. C. Collins  
Register of Deeds, P.

This Indenture made this first day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Eighty six between Michael de Lee and Bridget de Lee (his wife) of Swift County and State of Minnesota parties of the first part and Scottish American Mortgage Company, Limited of Scotland party of the second part Witnesseth that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of Two Hundred Dollars to them in hand paid by the said party of the second part the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged do by these presents Grant Bargain sell and convey to the said party of the second part its successors and assigns forever all the following described tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Swift and State of Minnesota to wit: The South half (S 1/2) of the North West quarter (N 1/4) and the South West quarter (S 1/4) of the North East quarter (N 1/4) of Section Twenty Eight (28) in Township one hundred and twenty one (121) north of Range Forty (40) west of the fifth principal meridian containing Two hundred and twenty (220) acres To have and to hold the same together with all the covenants and privileges and appurtenances thereto in anywise appertaining unto the said party of the second part its successors and assigns forever. And the said Michael de Lee and Bridget de Lee his wife parties of the first part for themselves their heirs executors and administrators do covenant with the said party of the second part its successors and assigns as follows: First that they are lawfully seized of said premises in fee simple; second that they have good right to grant bargain sell and convey the same; Third that the same are free from all incumbrances and liens of every nature; fourth that the said party of the second part its successors and assigns shall quietly enjoy and possess the same; and that the said parties of the first part their heirs executors and administrators will warrant and defend the title to the same against all claims whatsoever. Provided Nevertheless that if the said Michael de Lee and Bridget de Lee (his wife) parties of the first part their heirs executors or administrators shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid to the said party of the second part its successors or assigns the sum of Two Hundred Dollars and interest according to the conditions of the one certain promissory note of said parties of the first part bearing even date herewith for the sum of Two Hundred Dollars, payable five years after date which said note bears interest at the rate of Eight per cent per annum payable annually said interest being due on the first day of June in each year until said note matures and payable to the order of the Scottish American Mortgage Company Limited at the office of Bank of Montreal New York City. And shall keep and perform all and singular the covenants and agreements herein contained on the part of the said parties of the first part to be kept and performed then this Deed to be null and void otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect. But if default shall be made in the payment of said principal and interest note or any part thereof according to the tenor and effect of said notes or in the performance of any of the covenants or agreements of the said parties of the first part



# MORTGAGE DEED RECORD.

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In the Mortgage here recorded, hereby certify that the same is fully paid, satisfied and discharged.

This book, released by certificate of satisfaction, recorded in book \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. 18\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

Register of Deeds.

Register of Deeds.

successors or assigns, shall be conclusive evidence of the validity, and amount of such taxes or assessments and it is further agreed by and between the parties hereto that said parties of the first part shall keep all buildings fences or other improvements on said real estate in as good repair as the same are in at this date. and it is further expressly agreed that in the event of any failure to pay said principal or interest notes or any part thereof when due and payable, said second party or its successors or assigns shall be and is hereby authorized to take immediate possession of said property, and to rent the same and be held liable to account to said first parties only for the net profits thereof. It is also agreed that in taking possession thereof as above provided shall in no manner prevent or retard said second party, its successors or assigns in collection of said notes by foreclosure or otherwise. and it is further agreed and stipulated by and between the parties hereto that in case of default in any of said payments of principal or interest according to the tenor and effect of said notes or any part thereof or of the breach of any of the covenants or agreements herein by the parties of the first part their heirs executors, administrators or assigns then and in that case the whole of said principal sum hereby secured, and the interest thereon to the time of sale may at the option of the said party of the second part, its successors or assigns, become due and payable without further notice, and said second party its successors or assigns may at once proceed to enforce the payment thereof in like manner as if the same had become due and payable by the terms of said principal or interest notes or either of them. In testimony whereof, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first above written.

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of  
H. H. Stone  
Jacob Ordell

Michael J. Lee (seal)  
Bridget Lee (seal)

State of Illinois }  
County of Swift } " I, H. H. Stone a Notary Public within and for said County do hereby certify that on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September A. D. 1886 personally came before me Michael J. Lee and Bridget Lee his wife to me known to be the same persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that they executed the same freely and voluntarily for the uses and purposes therein expressed

H. H. Stone  
Notary Public  
Swift County, Illinois

Filed Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> 1886 - 5 P.M.

Notarial Seal  
Swift Co. Minn.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

George A. Olen  
(this name will appear on certificate)

OK 6-24

ADDRESS 950 Dakota Ave. Long Lake, MN. 55356  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 473 3619  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Benson, MN.

SECTION 04 TOWNSHIP 122 - Range 39 COUNTY Swift

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 150.

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

6-04-1877 - Homestead Patent  
11-22-1882 - Record filed

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> and S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 4,  
Township 122, Range 39.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1877-	(Father of Alfred)
<u>John Olen</u>	TO 1882	Grand Father
next owner	1882-	NONE
<u>L. E. Atkinson</u>	1885	
next owner	1885-	(Father of Alfred)
<u>John Olen</u>	<del>1885</del> 1917	Grand Father
next owner	1917-	(Father of George)
<u>Alfred Olen / Esther Olen</u>	1981	Parents
next owner	1981 -	Son
<u>George A. Olen</u>		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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George A. Olen  
(signature of present owner)

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DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

511  
OK  
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Rudolph May  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS RR #1 Box 162 Browerville, Mn 56438  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (612) 594-2435  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 23 TOWNSHIP Iona COUNTY Todd

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120 ✓

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1887 ✓

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

W 1/2 of E 1/2 of NE 1/4, NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 and NE 1/4 of NW 1/4  
Township 130 Range 34 Section 23

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP ✓

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Thomas May</u>	<u>1887 - 1930</u>	<u>father of Simon</u>
next owner <u>Simon May</u>	<u>1930 - 1968</u>	<u>father of Rudolph</u>
next owner <u>Rudolph May</u>	<u>1968 - present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title | <input type="checkbox"/> Court file in Registration Proceedings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent                  | <input type="checkbox"/> County Land Record                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                            |

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Rudolph May  
(signature of present owner)

DATE April 27, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Henry Page

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes - The house - log house which has been remodelled to its present state

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1889

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? dairy

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Elizabeth A. Schmidt  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS RT 2, Box 106 Wabasha MN 55981  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (612) 565-4180  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same  
SECTION 27 TOWNSHIP Pepin COUNTY Wabasha  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 280 160  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1864  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) W 1/2 of SE 1/4 of Sec. 27, Twp. 111, Range 11  
E 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 27, Twp. 111, Range 11  
PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Bernard Roemer</u>	<u>1864</u>	<u>1865</u>	<u>Son of Theodore</u>
next owner <u>Theodore + Adelaide Roemer</u>	<u>1865-</u>	<u>1870</u>	<u>Father of Joseph</u>
next owner <u>Joseph Roemer</u>	<u>1870-</u>	<u>1911</u>	<u>Father of John</u>
next owner <u>John - Roemer</u>	<u>1911-</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>Father of Richard</u>
next owner <u>Richard + Elizabeth Roemer</u>	<u>1953-</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>dec. husband</u>

Elizabeth Roemer Schmidt 1972 - Present  
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|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title | <input type="checkbox"/> Court file in Registration Proceeding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent                  | <input type="checkbox"/> County Land Record                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                           |

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Elizabeth A. Schmidt  
(signature of present owner)  
DATE July 12, 1987

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
COMO STATION, MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Michael ~~and~~ Beaver + wife

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$500

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Lengerich Province, Hanover (Germany)

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

A very old stone building still stands

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1883

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Hay, Corn, Grain

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Joseph Roemer built Log Cabins To make money  
He built one on this farm.  
He also had a fine orchard and developed new species  
of plants and flowers. Also had bees.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER GEORGE F. KERN  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS RT. 1 BOX 95 SEBEKA MINNESOTA 56477  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (218) 631-1790  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE (same)  
SECTION 12 TOWNSHIP Leaf River COUNTY Wadena  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120 original 280 Total  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1881  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) Sec. 12 Range 35 No. 1/2 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 Township 135

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner MAX KERN	1881 - 1936	Wife of Max
next owner Veronika KERN	1936 - 1939	Mother of George P.
next owner George Phillip KERN	1939 - 1964	Sons of George P.
next owner George Francis KERN & David W. KERN	1964 - 1974	Son of George P.
next owner George Francis KERN	1974 - Present	

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(X) Land Patent (X) County Land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

George Francis Kern  
(signature of present owner)

DATE June 14-1987

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Homestead 1881 (First Son Born on Farm)

Homestead Granted 1889

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? unknown

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? MAX KERN Born 1855, Docking Waldkirchen  
Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

Max Kern started the original saw mill in the area.

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? The original home was used up untill 1972.

The original Barn sections are still in use on the farm.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1972

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Potatoes, Lumber

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Monica Root  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS RR2 Box 112BB New Richland, MN 56072  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 465-3391  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE RR2 Box 153 New Richland MN 56072  
SECTION 25 TOWNSHIP 106 COUNTY Waseca  
30 106 Waseca  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 100  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

N. 1/2 of the SE. quarter (N 1/2 SE 1/4) of section 25 (25) in Township (106) N. of  
Range (23) W., containing (80) acres, (19.75) acres in the (S 1/2) of the (NW 1/4) of  
section (30) Township (106) N., range (23) West in Waseca County  
PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner		
<u>William L. Root</u>	<u>1887 - 1918</u>	<u>Husband</u>
next owner		
<u>Cora I. Root</u>	<u>1918 - 1948</u>	<u>Mother</u>
next owner		
<u>Burch B. Root</u>	<u>1948 - 1950</u>	<u>Husband</u>
next owner		
<u>Ester G. Root</u>	<u>1950 - 1967</u>	<u>Mother</u>
next owner		
<u>O. K. Root</u>	<u>1967 - 1983</u>	<u>Husband</u>

Monica M. Root 1983 -  
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☐ Land Patent ☐ County Land Record  
☐ Original Deed ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Monica Root  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-30-87

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
COMO STATION, MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Home is still in use as

a grainery \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? about 1980 \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Dairy Farm \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

4/28 OK

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Victor TRAHMS  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS R#2 JAMESVILLE MINN 56048  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 234-6443  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE JAMESVILLE  
SECTION 15 TOWNSHIP ALTON COUNTY Waseca  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY August 27, 1887  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)  
W 1/2 of NW 1/4 TWP-107 Range 24 = 80 acres

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<del>first owner</del> WILHELM-Rudolph	1887 - 1913	Father of Gustav
next owner Gustav Rudolph	1913 - 1931	Brother-in-law Sister
next owner MANNIE TRAHMS MINNIE TRAHMS	1931 - 1946	Father of Victor
next owner Victor TRAHMS	1946 - Present	
next owner		

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|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title | <input type="checkbox"/> Court file in Registration Proceeding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent                  | <input type="checkbox"/> County Land Record                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                           |

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Victor Trahms  
(signature of present owner)  
DATE 4/24/87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? August Kruger

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Total cost \$3000.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany 1839

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? The old House was torn down in 1960 and reused into a Hog Barn

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1950

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN - BEANS - ALFALFA

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

The original oak trees are still standing on the farm yard

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

*OK Late 1987 ok*  
Gerald C. Heinbuch  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 3645 Tower Dr Woodbury Mn 55125  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 739-0645  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 20 + 21 TOWNSHIP Woodbury COUNTY Washington

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 180 ✓

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 4-3-1886 ✓

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

SW 1/4 - W 60 A - Twp 28 - Section 21 - Rg 21  
E 1/2 - SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 " " "  
W 1/2 - SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 " " " ✓

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Yost Heinbuch</u>	FROM <u>4-3-1886</u> TO <u>6-1-1900</u>	<u>Father of Philipp</u>
next owner <u>Philipp Heinbuch</u>	<u>6-1-1900</u> to	<u>Father of Carl</u>
next owner <u>Carl Heinbuch</u>	<u>1-14-1948</u>	<u>Father of Gerald</u>
next owner <u>Gerald C. Heinbuch</u>	<u>10-8-80</u>	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒ Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record ( )  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Gerald C. Heinbuch  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7-12-86

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? August Heidel and Margaret Heidel

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 200 Acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? West St Paul

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes, part of home we live in.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? before purchase - 1886

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn - Oats - Hay

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Heifers & Steers

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Marcel J. MIRON (this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 15335 Homestead Ave. N. Hugo MN. 55038  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (612)  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE 15250 Homestead Ave. N.

SECTION 15 TOWNSHIP Oneka-Hugo COUNTY Washington

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 28.3

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

5 1/2 of SW 1/4 Sec. 15 and E 1/2 of SE 1/4 of Sec. 16  
Twp. 31 N of Range 21 W

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Joseph Brisson</u>	<u>1887 - 1925</u>	<u>Father of John</u>
next owner <u>John C. Brisson</u>	<u>1925 - 1942</u>	<u>Uncle of Marcel</u>
next owner <u>Marcel + Clara MIRON</u>	<u>1942 - present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		
<u>submitted by FRAN MIRON - son of Marcel</u>		

15250 Homestead Ave. N. 429-5961  
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent                  | <input type="checkbox"/> County Land Record                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                            |

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Clara Miron  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 13, 1987

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by July 15.

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? George H. Kannady

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 100 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Canada, Chertsey

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
but he cleared the land which was all woods

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Joseph Brisson build a log home which he lived for 16 yrs. In 1903 he build a brick home

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? which is the present home. The cost of this a story brick home was approx. \$3000 in 1903.

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn, oats, alfalfa are

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: the feed grains grown for the dairy herd.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Sent  
letter  
OK

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER ROBERT & MARY ROWE  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS 9521 ST.CROIX TR.SO. HASTINGS MINNESOTA 55033  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER ( 612 ) 436-4481  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 22 TOWNSHIP DENMARK COUNTY WASHINGTON

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1847

LEAGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

NW 1/4-SW 1/4 TOWNSHIP 27 SEC. 22 RANGE 20

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner THOMAS HETHERINGTON	1847 - 1872	HUSBAND of JANE
next owner JANE HETHERINGTON	1872 - 1913	MOTHER OF ELI
next owner ELI HETHERINGTON	1913 - 1948	UNCLE OF MARY
next owner ROBERT & MARY ROWE	1948 - PRESENT	
next owner		

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| ( ) Land Patent       | ( ) County Land Record                    |
| (X) Original Deed     | ( ) Other _____                           |

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Robert & Mary Rowe  
(signature of present owner)

DATE DECEMBER 19, 1986

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? INHEIRTED

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 800

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? SCOTLAND

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? YES - THE BIG BARN ( 76 x 36)

BUILT IN THE 1850's AND THE GRAINERY BUILT IN 1850's ARE STILL IN USE

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? LOG HOME BUILT-1847-PRESENT HOME- 1880

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN-SOYBEANS

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: WE ARE THE OLDEST ORIGINAL FAMILY OWNERS OF A HOMESTEADED FARM AND WOULD LIKE OUR FARM CONSIDERED FOR A "NATIONAL REGISTER" AWARD PERHAPS YOU COULD BE OF SOME ASSISTANCE TO US.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

5/15 OK

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Sherman W. Burns  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R.R.-I Box 109 - Butterfield, MN 56120  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (507) 877-5931  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE 12

SECTION 18 TOWNSHIP Adrian 107 COUNTY Watonwan

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 4-23-1877

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) NE 1/4, Less 5 1/2 of 5 1/2 of NE 1/4  
Township 107 Range 33

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Stephen W. Burns</u>	<u>1877-</u>	<u>1924</u>	<u>Father of Robert</u>
next owner <u>Robert A. Burns</u>	<u>1924-</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>Father of Sherman</u>
next owner <u>Sherman W. Burns</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>- present</u>	
next owner			
next owner			

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|-----------------------|---|
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| ( ) Land Patent       | (✓) County Land Record                    |
| ( ) Original Deed     | ( ) Other _____                           |

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Sherman W. Burns  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-7-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? ~~Homestead~~ - U. S. Land Office

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Philadelphia, Penn

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1908

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn & Beans

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Stephen Beune came to Minnesota as a young boy to visit an uncle, liked Minnesota, and came back here after serving in the Civil War.

The original home was a sod hut built into the side of the hill. His first wife, that he met on his trip from Philadelphia to Minnesota, <sup>after the way</sup> didn't like it out here on the prairie, left him & went back to Wisconsin. They were divorced.

He married Emma Leeder, in 1882, & she farmed right along with him & was the mother of Robert, Lawrence & Charlotte.

Emma lived through the Indian massacre outside of New Ulm, & would go to school in the area & tell about it. Stephen was asked to pull a trap at the hanging of the Indians some years later, but declined the honor.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Myron and Sally Engel  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Rt. 1 Box 70 St. James Minn. 56081  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 375-4203  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 29 TOWNSHIP South Branch <sup>Range 31</sup> 105 COUNTY Watonwan

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 322

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Nov. 2, 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) East Half of South East Quarter and the East Forty Eight Acres of West Half of South East Quarter of Section 29 Township 105 Range 31

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Christian H. Stradtman</u>	FROM <u>Nov. 2, 1887</u> TO <u>Dec. 6, 1890</u>	<del>Daughter and</del> <u>Father</u>
next owner <u>Christ and Mary Engel</u>	<u>Dec. 6, 1890</u> <u>Jan. 6, 1950</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owner <u>Alfred F. Engel</u>	<u>Jan. 6, 1950</u> <u>Aug. 23, 1971</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owner <u>Myron G. and Sally A. Engel</u>	<u>Aug. 23, 1971</u> <u>to present</u>	
next owner 		

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Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Myron Engel Sally A. Engel  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 7/2/87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? St. Paul & Sioux City Rail Co.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 128

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$22.50.

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Illinois

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Illinois

DID HE FARM THE LAND? No

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? One barn

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1980

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Beans, Hogs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Lucille Howe v Otey Howe her son  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R#1 Box 196 St James Minn 56081  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (507) 375-4857  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 15 TOWNSHIP Long Lake COUNTY Watonwan

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 340

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1878

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

Sect-15 TWP-105 Rang 32 340 A SE 1/4, S 1/2 of NE 1/4 and  
SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 & Lots 2, 3 less Plat in Lot 2

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Ole Hanson Howe</u> <u>v Jensen-Torison</u>	<u>1878</u> <u>1882</u>	<u>Father of</u> <u>Otto</u>
next owner <u>Ole Howe</u>	<u>1882</u> <u>1908</u>	<u>Father of</u> <u>Otto</u>
next owner <u>Otto Howe</u>	<u>1908</u> <u>1939</u>	<u>Father of</u> <u>Otis</u>
next owner <u>Otis and Lucille Howe</u>	<u>1939</u> <u>1963</u>	<u>Parents of</u> <u>Otey</u>
next owner <u>Lucille Howe, Otey Howe</u>	<u>1963 -</u>	

(Life Estate in)  
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( ) Land Patent ( ) County Land Record  
( ) Original Deed (X) Other Tax notice

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Lucille Howe  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 5-19-87

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CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL, MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Morton Jacobson & wife Wilma  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Rt. 2A Box 189 Madelia MN 56062  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER ( 507 ) 439-6665  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same  
SECTION 10 TOWNSHIP Riverdale COUNTY Watsonwan  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1886  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) S 1/2 of SW 1/4 Township 107 Range 31

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Ole A. Sletta	1886 - 1933	Father of Heirs
next owner Heirs of Ole A. Sletta	1933 - 1964	Aunts and Uncles
next owner Morton & Wilma Jacobson	1964 - present	
next owner		
next owner		

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☒ Abstract of Title  
☐ Land Patent  
☐ Original Deed

☐ Court file in Registration Proceedings  
☐ County Land Record  
☒ Other 1986 Watsonwan Co. Plat Book

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Morton Jacobson  
Wilma Jacobson

(signature of present owner)

DATE June 24, 1987

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
COMO STATION, MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Original purchase was from State of Minn..

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$4.00 per Acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway - came to USA in 1873

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No, but it was virgin soil

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? The only original building still standing

and in use is a granary, however much lumber and other materials from the original house was used in building the present house in 1912

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1912

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? At present, corn & soybeans, however, until 1980 the farm had livestock of various kinds as well as various other kinds of grain.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Pearl L. Kolden

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Rt 1 Box 111

CITY

Odin

STATE

Minnesota

ZIP CODE

56160

PHONE NUMBER

(507)

736-4158

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

34

TOWNSHIP

Odin

COUNTY

Watonwan

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

80 in Watonwan Co.

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

40 in Martin Co.

April 3, 1886

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

Watonwan 80 34-105-33 E 1/2 SW 1/4

Martin 40 03-104-33 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 36.84 AC.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>Elef Kolden</u>	<u>April 3, 1886</u>	
	TO	
	<u>Fall - 1950</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owner		
<u>Louis &amp; Otto Kolden</u>	<u>1950 - 1960</u>	<u>Brother</u>
next owner		
<u>Otto Kolden</u>	<u>1960 - 1972</u>	<u>Husband</u>
next owner		
<u>Pearl Kolden</u>	<u>1972 - Present</u>	
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ( )

Court file in Registration Proceedings (X)

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record (X)

Original Deed (X)

OTHER

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Pearl L. Kolden

(signature of present owner)

DATE

Aug. 17, 1986

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Martin Syvertson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 200 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? ?

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Lom, Gudbrandsdalen, Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? St. James, MN.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? —

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No, it was homesteaded by the Syvertsons

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes - Mrs. Pearl Kolden lives in the house. Some original out buildings remain.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? approx 1899

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Beans & corn

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Pearl Kolden has life estate on the property. The next owners will be her son, Eugene Kolden and daughter, Marian Baker. The property is currently farmed by her grandson, H. William Baker.

Although some modern conveniences have been added, the architectural design has remained intact. Interior work has consisted mostly of restoration.



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Wilbert Oberdieck

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R. 2 Box 155 Truman

Minnesota

56088

PHONE NUMBER (507) 776-6482

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 27 & 21 TOWNSHIP Antrim COUNTY Watonwan

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Sept. 3, 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 Section 27 Township 105 Range 30

S 1/2 of NE 1/4 Section 21 Township 105 Range 30

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner		
<u>Dorthea + Henry Oberdieck</u>	<u>1887 - 1918</u>	<u>Mother + Father</u>
next owner		
<u>Carl Oberdieck</u>	<u>1918 - 1967</u>	<u>Father</u>
next owner		
<u>Wilbert Oberdieck</u>	<u>1967 - present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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☐ Original Deed

- ☐ Court file in Registration Proceedings  
☐ County Land Record  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Wilbert Oberdieck

(signature of present owner)

DATE June 23, 1987

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
COMO STATION, MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Elias F. Drake

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? not known

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1925

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? eggs, hogs, corn, soybeans

## ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Although the earliest date we can find on the abstract is the one listed on the other side, we know from church records Henry Oberdieck and his family lived on this place in 1875 and Carl Oberdieck was born here in 1879 and lived here all his life.

Could it be the land might have been rented the first years?

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Walter Wegner

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

RR 3

TRUMAN. MINN.

56088.

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 776-3211.

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

32

TOWNSHIP

105 Antrim

COUNTY

30 Watonwan

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

4-30-1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 32

Township 105, Range 30, Watonwan County, Minnesota

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 4-30-87	
Fredrick Wegner	TO 12-20-1900	father
next owner	12-20-1900	
Herman R. Wegner	11-25-1953	father
next owner	11-25-1953	
Walter Wegner	present	
next owner		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (X)

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed ( )

OTHER

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Walter Wegner  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE

June 26, 1987

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ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? the Estate of Herman Wegner (Dad.)

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres (Now 160)

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Illinois (Chicago)

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1898

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn & Soy Beans

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

To Frederick Wegner who purchased the farm in 1887 was born 7 children;  
In 1900 it was sold to his son Hermann Wegner who had a family of 10 children. And in 1953 it was sold to Walter L. Wegner <sup>(owner now)</sup> who had a family of 5 children Delores Sabie of Blue Earth, Merrell Wegner (Son) of Paducah Kentucky, Lois Cook of Minneapolis, Linda Schrader of Fairmont, & Carleen Folio of Minneapolis.

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Wayne Froslic

(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Rt 1 Box 103

Rothsay

Mn

56579

city

state

zip code

PHONE NUMBER

(218)

867-2377

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

Same

SECTION

3

TOWNSHIP

Tanberg

COUNTY

Wilkin

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

Oct 31, 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

S.E. 1/4 of Section 3, Township 135, Range 45

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner John E. Froslic	1887	1923	Grandfather of Wayne
next owner Anna Marie Froslic	1923	1939	Grandmother of Wayne
next owner Emil J Froslic	1939	1965	Father of Wayne
next owner Wayne & Betty Froslic	1965 → present Owners		
next owner			

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☐ County Land Record  
☐ Other

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Wayne Froslic

(signature of present owner)

DATE

June 10, 1987

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ST. PAUL, MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? University of Minn

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$500

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1978

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? wheat Corn, Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Wallace - Beverly Nord  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

Wolverton  
city

Minn  
state

56594  
zip code

PHONE NUMBER

(218)  
area code

995

2710

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

21

TOWNSHIP

Wolverton

COUNTY

Wilkin

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

300

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

June 6 - 1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

All

N 1/2

- 21 -

136 - 48

except Railroad right of way along western edge and

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

Northeast corner for Century

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Charley Nord</u>	<u>1887</u> <u>1927</u>	<u>Husband</u>
next owner <u>Julia Nord</u>	<u>1927 -</u> <u>1936</u>	<u>Mother</u>
next owner <u>Emil - Carl - Richard - Julia - Melvin</u> <u>Dagney - Albin - Pearl - Willys - Della</u>	<u>1936 -</u> <u>1957</u>	<u>Brothers and Sisters -</u>
next owner <u>Melvin Nord</u>	<u>1957 -</u> <u>1976</u>	<u>Uncle</u>
next owner <u>Wallace - Beverly Nord</u>	<u>- 1976 - Now</u>	

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☐ Original Deed

- ☐ Court file in Registration Proceedings  
☐ County Land Record  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Wallace Nord  
(signature of present owner)

DATE

7-15-87

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COMO STATION, MN 55108

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(Charley Nords Father in law)  
FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Harold EK10

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 300

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$5.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

Still Standing but not in use

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1911

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Wheat - Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Michael David Peet  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Rt. 1 - Box 22 - Wolverton, Minnesota 56594  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (218) - 585 - 4244  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same  
SECTION 6 TOWNSHIP Deerhorn COUNTY Wilkin  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 345 acres  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1882  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) S.E. 1/4 Sec. 6 - 136 - 47.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner		
1 Walter Jay Peet	1882 - 1937	father
next owner		
2 Nancy M. Peet	1937 - 1950	wife of Walter J. Peet
3 David Norman Peet	1950 - 1968	Son of Nancy M. Peet
next owner		
4 Michael David Peet	1968 - to present	Son of David N. Peet
next owner		
next owner		

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☐ Land Patent  
☐ Original Deed

- ☐ Court file in Registration Proceeding  
☐ County Land Record  
☒ Other "PRE-EMPTION PROOF"

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Michael D. Peet  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 11 - 1987

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ST. PAUL, MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 2.50 per Acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Shelburn Vermont

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

School Teaching

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? PPE - EMPTION

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1902

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Wheat - Soy Beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Norbert A. Ellinghuysen  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS

R#2 Box 5 Lewiston

MN.

55952

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 523-3535

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

R#1 Winona, MN. 55987

SECTION

29

TOWNSHIP

Hillsdale

COUNTY

Winona

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

130

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1886

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

North East quarter Township 107 Range 8

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>Gustav Ellinghuysen</u>	<u>1886</u>	<u>Father of Adolph</u>
	TO	
	<u>1930</u>	
next owner	<u>1930 - 1976</u>	<u>Father of Norbert</u>
<u>Adolph Ellinghuysen</u>		
next owner	<u>1976 - 1987</u>	<u>Son of Adolph</u>
<u>Norbert Ellinghuysen</u>	<u>present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ( )

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed (X)

OTHER

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Norbert Ellinghuysen  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

DATE

July 1, 1987

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL  
STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Arlyn and Joann Groth  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Route 1 Box 107, Dakota, Minnesota 55925  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 643-6831  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION 10 TOWNSHIP 105 COUNTY Winona  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 135  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY April 11, 1887  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
SE 1/4 of Section 10, Tp. 105, Rg 6

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Charles Groth</u> <u>(also known as Carl or Karl)</u>	<u>1887 - 1938</u>	<u>father to Herman</u>
next owner <u>Herman &amp; Clara Groth</u> <u>(Herman died 1972 / Clara died 1977)</u>	<u>1938 - 1977</u>	<u>grandfather to</u> <u>Arlyn</u>
next owner <u>Arlyn Carl &amp; Joann M. Groth</u>	<u>1978 - present</u>	
next owner		
next owner		

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(X) Abstract of Title ( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County Land Record  
(X) Original Deed ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Arlyn Groth  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 13, 1987

Please Return To:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
COMO STATION, MN 55108

by July 15.



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Charles Goodwin

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1120.00 for 160 acres

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? grainery. (The construction of

I90 went right through the site where all the farm buildings were located. Some were moved to the present site and other new ones  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1967 built including house & barn

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? hay, corn, oats

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

This was just a bare piece of ground when Great Grandpa Karl Groth bought it. He cleared the land and built all the first buildings. Glen, Arlyn's father can remember Grandpa Karl blasting out stumps to clear more land when he was a young boy.

APR 15 1984

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Name of Centennial Farm owner Merle J. and Goldie A. Carter OK

Name(s) to appear on certificate same

Address Box 180 Rt. 2 Maple Lake, Mn 55358

Address of farm, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

Section 33 Township 122 County Wright

Number of acres in the farm at present 128 5/8 ✓

Date of original purchase by member of your family 1866 S $\frac{1}{2}$  of sec. 33 ✓

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

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	DATES (YEARS) OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
Locke	from 1845 to 1855	spouse
(owner in 1876 or B4) Hannah Locke	from 1855 to 1858	Issac Carter (spouse)
next owner Issac Carter	from 1858 to 1904	spouse
next owner Hannah Carter	from 1904 to 1919	son <i>Ruel J. Carter</i> ✓
next owner Ruel J. Carter	from 1919 to 1926	son <i>Ruel J. Carter</i>
next owner Merle J. Carter	from 1926 to 1986	
next owner <i>Merle J. Carter</i>	from 1987 to	
next owner		

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 (x)	Court file in Registration
Land Patent ( )	Proceedings ( )
Original Deed ( )	Other (please explain. _____)
County Land Record ( )	✓ quit claim deeds

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

(Witness sign here)

*Merle J. Carter*  
(Signature of present owner)

Date August 10, 1984

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- Lot A Williams to Carter 6-16-1877 \$56.00
1. From whom was the farm purchased? Railroad S $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  33-122-26
  2. How many acres were in the original parcel? 80
  3. What was the cost of land per acre? \$2.50
  4. Where was the first owner born? Boston, Mass.
  5. Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? St. Anthony, Mn
  6. Was this a homestead? Yes, 1845, later was deeded by Mn. to R.R.
  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? 1886
  11. What are the farm's major crops or products? small grains & hay
  12. Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation:  
Monticello Times

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

The St. P. & M&M Ry Co. to Isaac Carter 40 a. conveys SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 33-122-26-1880 - \$180.00

Hannah Locke thought she settled on homestead but found out later it was railroad land and had to buy it from r.r. for \$200.00 in 1866.

OK  
6-30

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Glenn Melvin Diers  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Rt I, Box 200, Howard Lake, MN. 55349  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (612) 543-2753  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 23 TOWNSHIP Victor COUNTY Wright

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 144

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1886

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
S.E. one-fourth of the S.E. one-fourth N.W. one-fourth of the  
S.E. one-fourth lot I of Section 23, Block or Township 118, Range 27.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Henry Foltz</u>	<u>1872</u> — <u>1885</u>	
next owner <u>Henry Diers</u>	<u>1886</u> — <u>1928</u>	<u>great grandfather</u>
next owner <u>Otto Diers</u>	<u>1928</u> — <u>1957</u>	<u>grandfather</u>
next owner <u>Hubert Diers</u>	<u>1957</u> — <u>1965</u>	<u>father</u>
next owner <u>Glenn M. Diers</u>	<u>1965</u> — <u>present</u>	<u>son</u>

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title        | <input type="checkbox"/> Court file in Registration Proceedings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent              | <input type="checkbox"/> County Land Record                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Deed | <input type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Deed &amp; tax statement</u>  |

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Glenn M. Diers

(signature of present owner)

DATE June 16, 1987

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL, MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Michael Foltz

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 144

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$2,275.00 (or \$15.79/acre)

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no

He cleared all the trees off the land

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1928

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Dairy farm

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: I raise corn, oats, and alfalfa for feed for my cows.

*I would like to see the farm prices go up so that our children will be able to farm, there is too wide a spread in things we need to buy & the price we are payed for our grain & milk!  
The Farm is a nice place to raise a family & work together with you children,*

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Dennis M. Reek  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R.R. 2 Box 211, Howard Lake, Minn. 55349  
city state zip code

PHONE NUMBER (612) 543-2953  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 19 TOWNSHIP Victor COUNTY Wright

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY October 14, 1881

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 Sec. 19-118-27 Purchased 1881

SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 Sec. 19-118-27 Purchased 1884

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)		BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Frederick Reek</u>	<u>1881</u>	<u>1884</u>	<u>Father of John F.</u>
next owner <u>John F. Reek</u>	<u>1884</u>	<u>1919</u>	<u>Father of Emil</u>
next owner <u>Emil O. Reek</u>	<u>1919</u>	<u>1956</u>	<u>Father of Marvin</u>
next owner <u>Marvin Reek</u>	<u>1956</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>Father of Dennis</u>
next owner <u>Dennis M. Reek</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>- present</u>	

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☐ Original Deed

☐ Court file in Registration Proceeding  
☐ County Land Record  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Dennis M. Reek  
(signature of present owner)

DATE 4-29-87

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ST. PAUL, MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Austin Corbin

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 40-1881 + 40-1884

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$8<sup>00</sup>/acre + \$10/acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1955

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Soybeans, Sweet Corn + Oats.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

this was purchased in two parcels,  
the north 40 acres in 1881 + the south  
40 acres in 1884.

Dennis M. Reek  
(mpls. work ph. #341-7643)

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER John M. Bliss  
(this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Rt 1 Box 76 Canby Minn. 56220  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 223-5220  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same  
SECTION 10 TOWNSHIP Oshkosh COUNTY Yellow Medicine  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 240  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1879  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) SW 1/4 Township 115 Range 44

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner <u>Andrew Swanson</u>	<u>1879 - 1923</u>	<u>Husband of Betsy</u>
next owner <u>Betsy Swanson</u>	<u>1923 - 1942</u>	<u>Mother of Hilma</u>
next owner <u>Hilma Bliss</u>	<u>1942 - 1969</u>	<u>Mother of John</u>
next owner <u>John M. Bliss</u>	<u>1969 - Present</u>	
next owner		

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☒ Land Patent                              ( ) County Land Record  
( ) Original Deed                        ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

John M. Bliss  
(signature of present owner)

DATE May 19, 1987

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Lloyd H. Koch  
(this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS R# 4 Box 276 Montevideo Minnesota 56265  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (612) 269-8780  
area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE X

SECTION 31 TOWNSHIP Stony Run COUNTY Yellow Medicine

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 469

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 3-7-1887

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) The north half of the north west quarter of Section 31 in township 117 of Range 40 containing 80 acres according to government survey

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner: <u>Wilhelm Koch</u> married to <u>Adeline Eckhardt</u>	FROM <u>March 7, 1887</u> TO <u>July 25, 1917</u>	<u>Father of Carl</u>
next owner: <u>Carl Koch</u> single	<u>July 25, 1917</u> <u>August 1, 1974</u>	<u>Uncle of Lloyd</u>
next owner: <u>Lloyd Koch</u> married to <u>Almira Werner</u>	<u>August 1, 1974</u> <u>to present time</u>	
next owner:		
next owner:		

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Land Patent ( ) County Land Record (X)  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Lloyd H. Koch

(signature of present owner)

DATE June 16, 1984

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Hein Hennen

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$10.31

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Brandenburg Germany 3-17-1856

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Michigan + Pennsylvania

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes lived on land - married latter in 1887

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes - 12x16 House is now used as woodshed

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1982

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn Soybeans Wheat Alfalfa

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

and raise flock of sheep

Original patent was given to James Whitmore in 1873 6-20  
He must have homesteaded the land in the previous 5 years.

Next owners were Martha Southerland 1872

Cornilus Nelson 1872

Eibe Frikke 1882

Hein Hennen 1886

William + Adeline Koch dug a well on this land which took 7 years to dig out by hand - the well is still visible and was 80 ft. deep with wooden curbing in square hole.

Children born + raised in home were William II 1888

97+living - Fred 1890 Father of Lloyd

Bertha 1892

Carl 1895

90+living - Ella 1897

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Larry A. & Karen A. Nelson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

*Letter and 10/11 OK*

x ADDRESS Wood-LAKE CITY MN STATE 56297 ZIP CODE

x PHONE NUMBER (507) 423-6205  
area code

x ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 20 TOWNSHIP 113 COUNTY Yellow Medicine

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY May 10, 1882

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

NW 1/4, Section 20, Township 113, Range 39

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
Randolph Frank	TO 5-10-1882	
next owner	5-10-1882	
Herman Frank	10-18-1916	
next owner	10-18- 1916	
Morris Norman Nelson & Gertrude Nelson	2-4-1965	
next owner	9-17-1986	
Larry A. Nelson & Karen A. Nelson		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title (x) Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
Land Patent ( ) County Land Record (x)  
Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

x Larry Nelson  
(signature of present owner)

x DATE 12-6-86

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ST. PAUL MN 55108



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Murl and Lynn Kuehn  
Rt. 1 Box 62 (this name will appear on certificate)  
ADDRESS Echo, MN 56237  
city state zip code  
PHONE NUMBER (507) 925-4442  
area code  
ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION 29 TOWNSHIP Echo COUNTY Yellow Medicine  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY June 22, 1887  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
SE 1/4 Sec. 29 Township 113 Range 38

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP (from) (to)	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner Christian Kuehn	1887 - 1890	father of Gustav
next owner Gustav Kuehn	1890 - 1952	father of Gustav R.L.
next owner Gustav R.L. Kuehn	1952 - 1974	father of Murl
next owner Murl & Lynn Kuehn	1974 - present	
next owner		

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- ☒ Abstract of Title      ☐ Court file in Registration Proceedings  
☐ Land Patent      ☐ County Land Record  
☐ Original Deed      ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Murl & Lynn Kuehn  
(signature of present owner)

DATE July 7, 1987

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COMO STATION, MN 55108

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Samuel Mather

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? unknown

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? unknown

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? probably

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes - house

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? unknown

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn + Soybeans  
hogs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Norman J. Pederson  
(this name will appear on certificate)

4/28

OK

ADDRESS 600 Service Dr. E. Carby

MINN.

56220

PHONE NUMBER (507) 223-7330  
area code

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

R-1

Box 152

SECTION

14

TOWNSHIP

Norman

COUNTY

Yellow Medicine

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

1882

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

N 1/2 of NE 1/4  
Sec. 14, T114N, R45W S 1/2 of SW 1/4 Sec 12, SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 Sec 11  
NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 Sec 13

## PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner:		
Jens Nicolai Pederson	FROM Nov. 10 1882 TO May 29 1915	Husband
next owner:		
Maria Pederson	1915 - 1923	Mother
next owner:		
Nels Pederson	1923 - 1938	Husband
next owner:		
Tina Pederson	1938 - 1960	Mother
next owner:		
Norman J. Pederson	1960 to present	

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Abstract of Title ( )

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ( )

Original Deed (X)

OTHER

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Norman Pederson

(signature of present owner)

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DATE 4-20-87

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 240

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Not known

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Soybeans & wheat Livestock

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

When I moved into town in 1979 my son <sup>Wayne</sup> moved on the farm and he has a son who is the 5th Generation

Norman Pederson