

Prepared by, and
when recorded mail to:

Rickie Eldridge Smith and
Valandra Wallace Smith
30 East Avenue
LaGrange, Illinois
The United States of America



THE ABOVE SPACE RESERVED FOR RECORDER

County of, Cook)
State of, Illinois) solemnly subscribed and sealed:
The United States of America)

Declaration of Homestead

The undersigned, Rickie Eldridge Smith and Valandra Wallace Smith, do herewith assert and declare that the contents of this Declaration of Homestead are true, correct, certain and complete in accordance with the undersigneds' knowledge and understanding.

1. The mailing address for our homestead is: 30 East Avenue, LaGrange, Illinois.
2. We are now residing on the land and premises geographically located in the city of LaGrange, Cook county, state of Illinois, known and legally described as follows:

Lots 5 and 6 in block 3 in Ira Brown's addition to LaGrange in Section four, Township thirty-eight, Range twelve, east of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook county, Illinois¹

being a portion of a seisin² originally granted to Henry Seymour of Oneida County New York by Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An Act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands, via Letters Patent Certificate No. 2760, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, the seisin of which is declared by this document.

3. We hereby claim said land and premises as a homestead. No former declaration of homestead has been made by us except as has been abandoned.

¹ Permanent Index Number: 18-04-223-022-0000 is for reference only and shall not be construed as conferring any right, title or interest in said property to STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF COOK or CITY OF LAGRANGE.

² Freehold estate.

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In Testimony whereof, Claimants have caused this Declaration to be made Patent and our seals to be hereunto affixed this Twenty Seventh day of the eleventh month in the Year of our Lord two thousand two.

L.S. Rickie Eldridge Smith
Rickie Eldridge Smith,
Claimant, Sign manual.
I have the honor of being.

L.S. Valandra Wallace Smith
Valandra Wallace Smith,
Claimant, Sign manual.
I have the honor of being.

Jurat

We, the undersigned, natural-born, flesh and blood, sentient beings, competent to testify if called upon so to do, Witness this _____ day of the _____ month, in the Year of our Lord two thousand two, that the ones known to us to be the above signators did personally appear before us and, upon affirmation and declaration of the foregoing, did knowingly, willingly and voluntarily affix signature thereto.

Witness, Sign Manual
I have the honor of being.

Witness, Sign Manual
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Abatement of Service

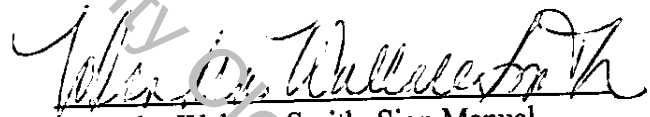
Valandra Wallace Smith, *i.e.*, One, the Affiant herein, states that One has caused to be delivered to the parties as addressed below, by United States Registered Mail, return receipt requested, copies of the foregoing Nonstatutory Abatement and Affidavit of Specific Negative Averments, attached Affidavit of Valandra Wallace Smith^o By Special Ministerial Visitation, Judicial Notice and Declaration Regarding United States Bankruptcy; Declaration of Land Grant, and Declaration of Homestead.

Registered Mail No. RA 092 671 588 US

DOROTHY BROWN
CLERK OF THE COURT
CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY
COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY
DIVISION
802 RICHARD J. DALEY CENTER
CHICAGO, IL 60602

Registered Mail No. RA 092 671 591US

STEVEN C. LINDBERG
FREEDMAN, ANSELMO, LINDBERG AND
RAPPE
1807 WEST DIEHL ROAD, SUITE 333,
NAPERVILLE, IL 60566-7107


Valandra Wallace Smith, Sign Manual
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CERTIFICATE
No. 2760

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS Henry Seymour of Oneida County, New York

has deposited in the **GENERAL LAND OFFICE** of the United States, a Certificate of the **REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE** at Chicago whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said

Henry Seymour

according to the provisions of

the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An Act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the East half of the South East quarter of Section four, in Township thirty eighth North, of Range Thirteen East, in the District of Lands subject to Sale at Chicago Illinois, containing Eighty acres

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according to the official plat of the survey of the said Land, returned to the General Land Office by the **SURVEYOR GENERAL**, which said tract has been purchased by the said

Henry Seymour

NOW KNOW YE, That the **United States of America**, in consideration of the Premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, **HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED**, and by these presents **DO GIVE AND GRANT**, unto the said Henry Seymour

and to his heirs, the said tract above described: **TO HAVE AND TO HOLD** the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances of whatsoever nature, thereunto belonging, unto the said Henry Seymour and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In Testimony Whereof, Martin Van Buren

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these Letters to be made **PATENT**, and the **SEAL** of the **GENERAL LAND OFFICE** to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand at the **CITY OF WASHINGTON**, the first day of October in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight and of the **INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES** the Sixty fourth



BY THE PRESIDENT: Martin Van Buren

By H. M. Garland Sec'y. Recorder of the General Land Office.

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Bureau of Land Management
Eastern States
7450 Boston Boulevard
Springfield, VA 22153

9-19-02
Date

I hereby certify that this
reproduction is a true copy
of the official record on
file in this office

[Signature]
Authorized Signature

