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CLIFFORD T. LEWIS et ux -vs- H. E. CLARK et al

CLIFFORD L. LEWIS and SUSAN
A. LEWIS CLIFFORD L. LEWIS
and SUSAN A. LEWIS, husband
and wife

: IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF
: CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
: CIVIL ACTION - LAW

Plaintiffs

: NO: 2001-*668-cd*

vs.

H.E. CLARK and J.O. CLARK,
their respective heirs,
successors, personal
representatives and assigns,

Defendants

: TYPE OF DOCUMENT: ACTION TO QUIET
: TITLE

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NOTICE TO DEFEND

You have been sued in Court. If you wish to defend against the claims set forth in the following pages, you must take action within twenty (20) days after this Complaint and notice are served, by entering a written appearance personally or by attorney and filing in writing with the Court your defenses or objections to the claims set forth against you. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you by the Court without further notice for any money claimed in the Complaint or for any other claim or relief requested by the Plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.

YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP.

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ACTION TO QUIET TITLE

1. The Plaintiffs are Clifford L. Lewis and Susan A. Lewis, husband and wife, individuals residing at 91B Grandview Road, Hummelstown, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania 17036.

2. The Defendant, H.E. Clark, an individual whose last known address as of 1926 was in City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania. Defendant, H.E. Clark, died testate on May 22, 1934 with an exemplification of the record thereof filed in Indiana County on April 6, 1940 in Will Book Volume 30 at Page 16. Letters Testamentary were granted by the Register of Wills of Philadelphia County to Woodword D. Clark and S.L. Clark, as Executors of the Estate of H.E. Clark, deceased. No estate proceedings in the name of H.E. Clark are filed of record in Clearfield County.

3. The Defendant, J.O. Clark, an individual whose last known address as of 1926 was in Glen Campbell Borough, Indiana County, Pennsylvania. Defendant, J.O. Clark, died testate on July 21, 1936 with record thereof on file in Indiana County Will Book Volume 27 at Page 448. Letters Testamentary were granted by the Register of Wills of Indiana County to Winifred P. Clark, Aaron P. Clark and Joseph O. Clark, Jr., as Executors of the Estate of J.O. Clark, deceased. No estate proceedings in the name of J.O. Clark are filed of record in Clearfield County.

4. Plaintiffs are the owners of certain premises situate, lying and being in Burnside Township, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, as more fully described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and forming a part hereof, having acquired title thereto by virtue of the Deed of Dorothy J. Gaston and Harold Don Gaston, dated September 22, 2000 and recorded October 20, 2000 in Clearfield County as Instrument No. 200015719.

5. The chain of title for the premises located in Burnside Township, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania which is described in Paragraph 4 above as set forth on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and forming a part hereof is as follows:

A. (1) The records on file in the Clearfield County Recorder of Deeds and Clearfield County Tax Assessment Offices reflect that title to the

larger tract of land from which the parcel described and referenced in Paragraph 4 herein was originally vested by an unrecorded Deed in D.B. McCullough.

(2) The said D.B. McCullough is believed and therefore averred to have transferred his interest in said property described in Paragraph 4 herein to H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark by an unrecorded Deed.

(3) With title so vested in the said H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark by an unrecorded instrument, the said H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark became assessed as the owners of a 50 acre surface parcel situate in Burnside Township, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania without a specific legal description associated therewith. The Tax Assessment Map/Parcel reference number in Burnside Township, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania being designated 108-A13-7.

(4) The Assessment history in Clearfield County carried reference to the aforesaid Tax Parcel Number in the name of D.B. McCullough describing same as 45 acres through 1905.

(5) In 1906, the assessment to D.B. McCullough was transferred to H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark. Beginning in 1906 H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark were referenced as the owners of a 50 acre surface having received title from D.B. McCullough.

(6) The Clearfield County Assessment records thereafter from 1906 through 1921 reference H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark as owners.

(7) The ownership interests of the said H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark so assessed were the subject of two (2) tax sales in Clearfield County.

B. (1) As a result of unpaid real estate taxes for tax year 1926 applicable to a one-half (1/2) interest in 50 acres surface assessed to Defendants H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark, the Treasurer of Clearfield County by a Deed dated

October 26, 1928 and recorded in Clearfield County Deed Book Volume 300 at Page 296 granted and conveyed the said one-half (1/2) interest in 50 acres surface assessed to Defendants H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark to the Commissioners of Clearfield County.

(2) By Deed dated September 1, 1931 and recorded in Clearfield County Deed Book Volume 300 at Page 297, the Commissioners of Clearfield County granted and conveyed title to the said undivided one-half (1/2) interest in 50 acres surface previously assessed to the said H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark to J.O. Clark.

(3) The said one-half (1/2) interest so conveyed to the said J.O. Clark was assessed by the Clearfield Township Tax Assessment authorities in the name of J.O. Clark from 1933 through 1955.

(4) The said one-half (1/2) interest in 50 acres surface so assessed to the said J.O. Clark was sold by the Treasurer of Clearfield County for unpaid real estate taxes of 1953 to the Commissioners of Clearfield County by Deed dated November 14, 1955 and recorded May 9, 1977 in Clearfield County Deed Book Volume 737 at Page 420.

(5) By Deed dated December 1, 1964 and recorded May 9, 1977 in Deed Book Volume 737 at Page 422 the said Commissioners of Clearfield County granted and conveyed title to the undivided one-half (1/2) interest in said 50 acres surface to George Bloom.

(6) George Bloom was assessed for Real Estate Tax purposes as the owner of an undivided one-half (1/2) interest in (50) acres surface for the period 1966 through 1988.

C. (1) The remaining one-half (1/2) interest in said property situate Burnside Township, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania which was originally assessed to H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark was the subject of a

Treasurer's Sale for unpaid taxes of 1928 and 1929 whereby the remaining one-half (1/2) interest in 50 acres surface situate as aforesaid was transferred by the Treasurer of Clearfield County to the Commissioners of Clearfield County by Deed dated February 9, 1932 recorded in Clearfield County Deed Book Volume 317 at Page 588.

(2) By Deed dated December 30, 1936 recorded in Clearfield County Deed Book Volume 317 at Page 590, the said remaining one-half (1/2) interest in said 50 acres surface previously assessed to the said H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark was granted and conveyed to W.D. Clark and Mary C. Patchin, Executors of H.E. Clark, deceased.

(3) By Deed dated August 21, 1952 recorded in Clearfield County Deed Book Volume 424 at Page 33 the said W.D. Clark and Mary C. Patchin, Executors of H.E. Clark, deceased, granted and conveyed title to the said remaining one-half (1/2) interest in 50 acres surface situate Burnside Township, Clearfield County to H.E. Clark Interests.

(4) As noted above, there was no specific legal description for said 50 acre parcel included in any of the foregoing referenced Deeds.

(5) The said H.E. Clark Interests were subsequently documented to have succeeded by corporate merger with Royal Oil & Gas Corporation effective January 1, 1969 said merger being documented in Clearfield County Miscellaneous Book Volume 154 at Page 58.

(6) By Deed dated September 27, 1979 and recorded in Clearfield County Deed Book Volume 798 at Page 417, the said Royal Oil & Gas Corporation as successor by Merger to the H.E. Clark Interests granted and conveyed various interests in said one-half (1/2) in 50 acres surface to CCW Interests, Inc., Wilmoth Interests, Inc. and Ream Interests, Inc., the end result of said transfer being that total assessed ownership of said

remaining one-half interest in 50 acres surface situate Burnside Township, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania was thereafter assessed to Royal Oil & Gas Corporation, CCW Interests, Inc., Wilmoth Interests, Inc. and Ream Interests, Inc.

(7) H.E. Clark Interests and/or Royal Oil & Gas Corporation, CCW Interests, Inc., Wilmoth Interests, Inc. and Ream Interests, Inc., were assessed for Real Estate Tax purposes as the owners of an undivided one-half (1/2) interest in fifty (50) acres surface for the period 1957 through 1988.

6. By Deed dated September 9, 1989 and recorded in Clearfield County Deed Book Volume 954 at Page 853, the premises described in Paragraph 4 and Exhibit "A" herein was conveyed by Leona C. Oakes, widow, to Dorothy J. Gaston, et vir. Upon recording of the above recited Deed, the Clearfield County Tax Assessment Office reassessed the premises described in Paragraph 4 herein designated Tax Parcel 108-A-13-7 as fifty (50) acres surface to Dorothy J. Gaston, et vir.

7. Since April 5, 1947, Clifford L. Lewis and Susan A. Lewis, husband and wife, and their predecessors in interest have been in open and notorious possession of said premises, have been assessed with and paid taxes thereon and have been undisturbed by any claim or demand by Defendants, their heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns.

8. The Treasurer's Sales recited in Paragraph 5 A-C above and the lack of proof of personal service thereof upon H.E. Clark

and J.O. Clark, their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns constitutes a cloud on Plaintiffs' title.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs do pray this Honorable Court to issue an Order confirming the validity of the Plaintiffs' title to the premises described herein as alleged above as well as the validity of the aforesaid Treasurer's Sales as to the interest of H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark, and further to enjoin the Defendants H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark, their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns, and all persons claiming by, from, through or under them and the entire world, from claiming any right, title or interest to the subject premises described in Paragraph 4 of the Complaint, adverse to that claim of the Plaintiff to wit, fee simple absolute.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



J. DENNIS PREVITE, ESQUIRE,
Attorney for Plaintiffs

EXHIBIT "A"

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate in the Township of Burnside, County of Clearfield, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:

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STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA:
: SS
COUNTY OF :

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared CLIFFORD L. LEWIS and SUSAN A. LEWIS, husband and wife, who being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that they are the Plaintiffs in the above named. That they are familiar with the facts set forth in the foregoing Complaint and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Complaint are true and correct to the best of their knowledge, information and belief.

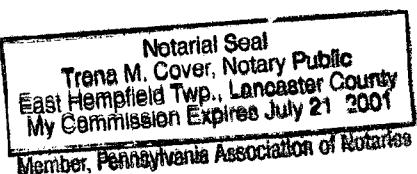
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Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 25th day of April, 2001.

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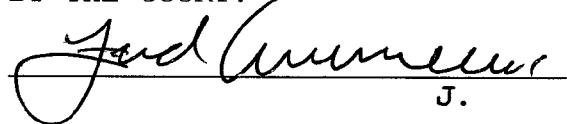
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ORDER OF COURT

AND NOW, this 7 day of May, 2001,
upon consideration of the within Motion for Special Order for
Service, as authorized under Pa. R.C.P. 430, it is hereby
ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that the Plaintiffs are hereby
authorized to serve the Complaint in the above-captioned Quiet
Title Action, by advertising notice of the action once in the
Clearfield County Legal Journal and once in the Star-Courier.

BY THE COURT:


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MOTION FOR SPECIAL ORDER FOR SERVICE

NOW COMES, Plaintiffs above-named, and through their counsel, J. Dennis Previte, Esquire, and do file this Motion for Special Order for Service and in Support thereof, offer the following:

1. The moving parties are the Plaintiffs in the above-captioned Action to Quiet Title.
2. The Complaint in the above captioned Action to Quiet Title is currently pending against the Defendants, H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark, their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns, under the above Term and Number.
3. The Plaintiffs have taken the following actions in an attempt to locate the Defendants or any of their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives or assigns.

(a) Reviewing telephone listings for the general area and attempting to contact any persons with the same last name as that of the Defendants to determine whether or not there are any outstanding heirs of the Defendants;

(b) Examining the records contained in the Recorder of Deeds Office in and for the County of Clearfield and also the Tax Assessment Office in and for the County of Clearfield to determine if the Defendants, their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns own real property within said area; and

(c) Examining the records contained in the Register of Wills Offices in and for the County of Clearfield and the County of Clearfield to determine if an Estate was opened for the Defendants, their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives or assigns with said counties and whether or not any information disclosing the identify of any heirs, successors, personal representatives or assigns of the Defendants would be contained therein.

4. The Plaintiffs have exercised due diligence in attempting to locate the Defendants, H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark, their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns, and have not been able to determine the current status and/or to locate the Defendants and/or their respective heirs,

successors, personal representatives and assigns.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiffs do pray this Honorable Court to authorize service of the Complaint in the above-captioned Quiet Title Action on the Defendants, H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark, their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns, by advertising notice of the action once in the Clearfield County Legal Journal and once in the Star-Courier.

Respectfully submitted,


DENNIS PREVITE, ESQUIRE
Attorney for Plaintiffs

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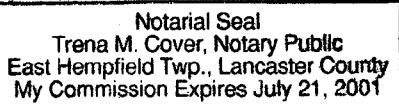
Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, **CLIFFORD L. LEWIS** and **SUSAN A. LEWIS, husband and wife**, who being duly sworn according to law, depose and says that they are the Plaintiffs above named; that they are familiar with the facts set forth in the foregoing Motion and are duly authorized to make this Affidavit; that the facts set forth in the foregoing Motion are true and correct to the best of their knowledge, information and belief.

Clifford L. Lewis
CLIFFORD L. LEWIS
Susan A. Lewis
SUSAN A. LEWIS

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 25th day of April, 2001.

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Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared CLIFFORD L. LEWIS and SUSAN A. LEWIS, husband and wife, who being duly sworn according to law depose and say that they are the Plaintiffs above named; that they are authorized to make this Affidavit and that they and their agents have made diligent efforts to locate or determine the present status of H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark, their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns, including but not limited to reviewing telephone listing for the general area; reviewing all records of the Recorder of Deeds and Tax Assessment Offices in the County of Clearfield, reflecting any current

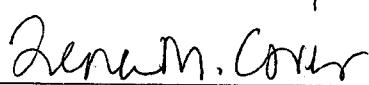
address or location of the Defendant or any of their possible heirs, successors, personal representatives or assigns; reviewing records in the Register of Wills Offices for the County of Clearfield reflecting address or location information pertaining to any possible heirs of the said Defendants. However, despite their best and most diligent efforts, including review of telephone listings, Plaintiff has been unable to locate or determine the present status of the Defendants, their heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns.

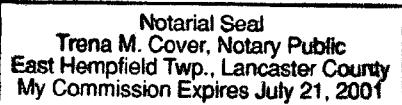

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TO: H.E. CLARK and J.O. CLARK, their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns, Defendants

You are hereby notified that the above action has been commenced against you to quiet title to the following described premises:

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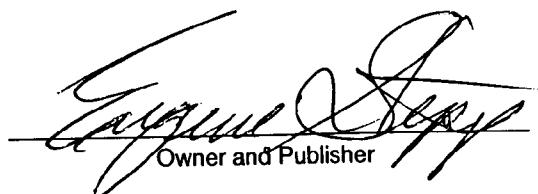
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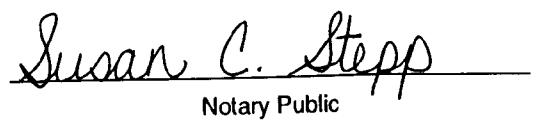
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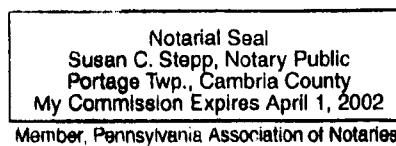
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COUNTY OF CLEARFIELD :

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Sworn and subscribed to before me the day and year aforesaid.

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF
CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL ACTION - LAW

CLIFFORD L. LEWIS and SUSAN A.
LEWIS, husband and wife,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

H.E. CLARK and J.O. CLARK, their
respective heirs, successors,
personal representatives and assigns,

Defendants

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Defendants :

PETITION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT AND DECREE NISI

NOW COMES, the Plaintiffs above-named, by their Attorney, J. Dennis Previte, Esquire, and do file the within Petition for Default Judgment and Decree Nisi in the above matter, upon a cause whereof the following is a statement, to wit:

1. Your Petitioners, Clifford L. Lewis and Susan A. Lewis, husband and wife, commenced the instant proceedings to Quiet Title, by filing with this Court, a Complaint in proper form on May 7, 2001.

2. Pursuant to Order of Court dated May 7, 2001, a Motion for Special Order for Service was granted by the Court wherein the Plaintiff was authorized to serve said Defendants by advertising notice once in the Clearfield County Legal Journal and once in the Star-Courier.

3. The service by Plaintiffs upon Defendants was completed by advertisement as evidenced by the proofs of publication as returned from the Clearfield County Legal Journal and the Star-Courier.

4. More than twenty (20) days have passed since service of the Complaint on the Defendants and Defendants nor any party on their behalf has filed an appearance, answer or other pleading in these proceedings.

WHEREFORE, your Petitioners do pray this Honorable Court to enter a Decree Nisi in favor of the Plaintiffs, the Petitioners herein, and against the Defendants above named, and further, to order the Prothonotary to make the aforesaid Judgment final upon the expiration of thirty (30) days from the date of the entry of this Order, should the aforesaid Defendants not appeal therefrom, and further, to authorize its attorney, J. Dennis Previte, Esquire, to execute the instant Petition on their behalf.



J. DENNIS PREVITE, ESQUIRE

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA :
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COUNTY OF CAMBRIA :
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Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, **J. DENNIS PREVITE, ESQUIRE**, Attorney for Petitioner, who being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is Attorney for the Petitioner above named; that he is familiar with the facts set forth in the foregoing Petition and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Petition are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

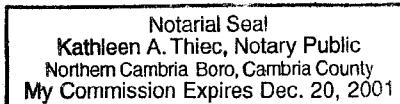


J. DENNIS PREVITE, ESQUIRE
Attorney for Petitioners

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 18th day of June, 2001.



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Defendants :

ORDER OF COURT AND DECREE NISI

AND NOW, to wit, this 25th day of June, 2001, upon consideration of the within Petition, and after consideration of the same, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that judgment by default be entered, and the same is hereby entered against the Defendants above named, their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns, and the whole world, confirming the validity of the Plaintiffs' title to the premises described herein on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and forming a part hereof, as alleged in the Complaint as well as the validity of the Treasurer's Sale(s) as to the interest of Defendants, H.E. Clark and J.O. Clark, their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns, and further enjoining the Defendants, H.E. Clark and

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J.O. Clark, their respective heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns, and all persons claiming by, from, through or under them and the entire world, from claiming any right, title or interest to the subject premises, adverse to that claim of the Plaintiffs to wit, fee simple absolute. Further, the Prothonotary is hereby ORDERED to enter a final judgment and DECREE in favor of Plaintiffs and against the Defendants aforesigned, upon praecipe by the Plaintiffs, upon the passing of thirty (30) days from this date, except as to any Defendant who shall appeal herefrom, as per rule of Court, during the thirty (30) day period.

BY THE COURT:

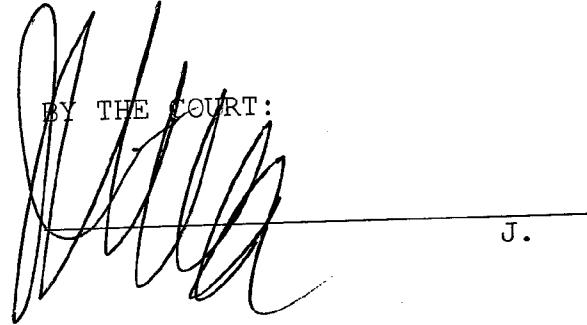
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EXHIBIT "A"

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate in the Township of Burnside, County of Clearfield, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point which is the southeast corner of the tract herein described. Said point is on the North line of T-315; thence along the North line of T-315 South $75^{\circ} 44'$ West 25.18 feet to an iron pin; thence North $37^{\circ} 11' 15''$ West 1,630.51 feet to a stake; thence South $75^{\circ} 56' East$ 890.27 feet to an existing stone; thence North $55^{\circ} 56' East$ 802.07 feet to an iron pin; thence North $74^{\circ} 59' 30'' East$ 25.09 feet to an iron pin; thence South $19^{\circ} 29' 27'' West$ 1,625.29 feet to the place of beginning. Containing 20.09 acres in accordance with a survey of George A. Cree dated October 26, 1990, and being Drawing Number 9-63-90.

BEING the same premises title to which vested in Clifford L. Lewis and Susan A. Lewis, husband and wife by Deed of Dorothy J. Gaston and Harold Don Gaston, husband and wife, dated September 22, 2000 and recorded October 20, 2000 in Clearfield County as Instrument No. 200015719.

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PRAECIPE FOR FINAL JUDGMENT AND DECREE

The Plaintiffs in the above Civil Action by Attorney, J.
Dennis Previte, Esquire, hereby Praecipe Entry of Final Judgment
and Decree in the above matter against the above named
Defendants.

By Order of Court and Decree Nisi dated June 21, 2001 this
Court ordered that after thirty (30) days from the date of the
Order, the Defendants aforesigned, their heirs, successors and
assigns and all of them in the entire world are forever barred
from asserting any claim in or to the subject premises described
on Exhibit "A" attached to said Decree adverse to that held by
and claimed in the Plaintiffs.

Dated: August 31, 2001

J. Dennis Previte
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