STATE OF INDIANA IN THE LAKE CIRCUIT COURT SS: COUNTY OF LAKE 98045685 FCAUSE NO. 45C01-9708-CP-02066 98 JUN 18 AN 8: 40 KATL PROPERTIES, L.L.C., MORRIS W. Filed in Open Court Plaintiff, ٧. DORIS W. SMITH, et al., Defendants.

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The Plaintiff, KATL Properties, L.L.C., having heretofore may All DOOR to KE QUIST TYTE

Decree, and the Court upon reviewing said Motion, and being otherwise properly advised, does now find the Lake County Recorder! as follows:

- 1. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action and jurisdiction over the parties and real property herein.
- 2. The Defendants, United States of America, Lake Ridge Schools, State of Indiana Department of Revenue, and Northern Indiana Public Service Commission, appeared and disclaimed any interest in this action and the real property described above.
- The Defendant, Doris Smith, received notice of the pendency of this action by certified 3. mail service on August 22, 1997, but has failed to appear or otherwise respond to Plaintiff's Complaint.
- The Defendant, Transamerica Financial Services, received notice of the pendency of this 4. action by certified mail service on August 25, 1997, but has failed to appear or otherwise respond to Plaintiff's Complaint.
- 5. The Defendant, Mercury Finance, received notice of the pendency of this action by certified mail service on August 25, 1997, but has failed to appear or otherwise respond to Plaintiff's Crat Hole 2 Complaint.

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6. On October 5, 1995, the Lake County Treasurer sold at tax sale the following described real property located in Lake County, Indiana:

Lot 13, Block 9, Chicago-Tolleston Land and Investment Company's Addition to Tolleston, City of Gary, as shown in Plat Book 2, Page 35, Lake County, Indiana, except that Part taken for alley purposes,

and more commonly known as 2348 Delaware Street, Gary, Indiana.

- 7. KATL Properties, L.L.C., received a tax deed to the above-described real estate on April 11, 1997, following the statutory period of redemption.
- 8. Said tax deed was recorded June 27, 1997, as Instrument Number 97041893 in the Office of the Recorder of Lake County, Indiana.
- 9. Plaintiff's tax deed is, pursuant to IC 6-1, 1-25-4, prima facile evidence of the regularity of the tax sale, the regularity of all proper proceedings; and, valid title in fee simple in the grantee of the deed.
- Plaintiff's tax deed, pursuant to IC 6-1.1-25-4(d), vests in Plaintiff an estate in fee simple absolute, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances created or suffered before or after the tax sale, except those liens granted priority under federal law and the lien of the state for taxes and special assessments which accrue subsequent to the sale.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that:

1. Title to the following described real estate is hereby quieted in and to the Plaintiff,

KATL Properties, L.L.C., and Plaintiff is vested with an estate in fee simple, absolute, free and clear of
all liens and encumbrances of any other person or entity, except for the lien of the State of Indiana for
real property taxes and special assessments regarding the subject real property which is more specifically
described as follows:

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- 10. Plaintiff's tax deed, pursuant to IC 6-1.1-25-4(d), vests in Plaintiff an estate in fee simple absolute, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances created or suffered before or after the tax sale, except those liens granted priority under federal law and the lien of the state for taxes and special assessments which accrue subsequent to the sale.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that:

1. Title to the following described real estate is hereby quieted in and to the Plaintiff,

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- 2. The equity and right of redemption and claims of the Defendants, and all persons who claim by, under and through them, in and to said real property, are hereby forever barried and foreclosed.
- 3. The Defendants, or any occupants claiming by, under and through them, shall forthwith surrender said real estate to the Plaintiff, and in the event that such person or persons so in possession of the real estate shall refuse to fully and peaceably surrender possession, a certified copy of this Quiet Title Decree, shall be sufficient authority to the Sheriff of Lake County, Indiana, to remove such person or persons from the real estate and give full and peaceful possession to the Plaintiff.

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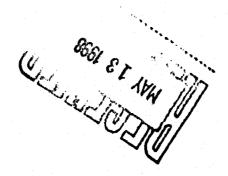
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the Lake Co Judge, Jake Circuit Court

Distribution:

Mark A. Smith, 201 W. Main St., Plainfield, IN 46168-1133.



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CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

As legal custodian I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and complete copy of the original on file with this office in the cause stated thereon.

Witness my hand and the seal of the court this

20 day of

Clerk of the Lake Circuit and Superior Courts

Deputy Clerk