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MORRIS A. CARTER
RECORDER

AFFIDAVIT

William Rouse of 403 W. Commercial Avenue, Lowell, Indiana 46356, being duly sworn upon his oath states as follows:

1. William Rouse is the beneficial owner of a certain trust in which Fiduciary Management Corporation is Trustee of Land Trust No. 8 under Trust Agreement dated July 19, 1993 for real estate legally described as follows:

That part of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter lying North of the public highways, containing 30 acres more or less: EXCEPTING therefrom, a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 25, Township 33 North, Range 9 West of the 2nd Principal Meridian, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Intersection of the East line of said Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 and the centerline of a county road, said Intersection being 704.42 feet North of the Southeast corner of said Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence North 290.0 feet; thence West perpendicular to said East line 689.48 feet; thence South perpendicular to the last described line 594.50 feet to the centerline of said County Road; thence Northeasterly along said centerline 768.48 feet to the place of beginning, all in Lake County, Indiana; the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter, containing 40 acres, more or less, EXCEPTING therefrom the South 184.71 feet of the East 235.83 feet of the North 564.83 feet of the East 786.09 feet therefrom; and the East half of the Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter, containing 20 acres, more or less, EXCEPTING therefrom that part of the East 30 feet, lying East of the existing fence, of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 25, Township 33 North, Range 9 West of the Second Principal Meridian, Lake County, Indiana. Containing 0.8 acres and subject to all highways and easements, all in Section Twenty-five, Township Thirty-three North, Range Nine West of the 2nd P.M., in

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STEPHEN R. STIGLICH
LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR

WHEN RECORDED RETURN TO:
PROFESSIONALS' TITLE SERVICES, LLC
9195 BROADWAY
MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410



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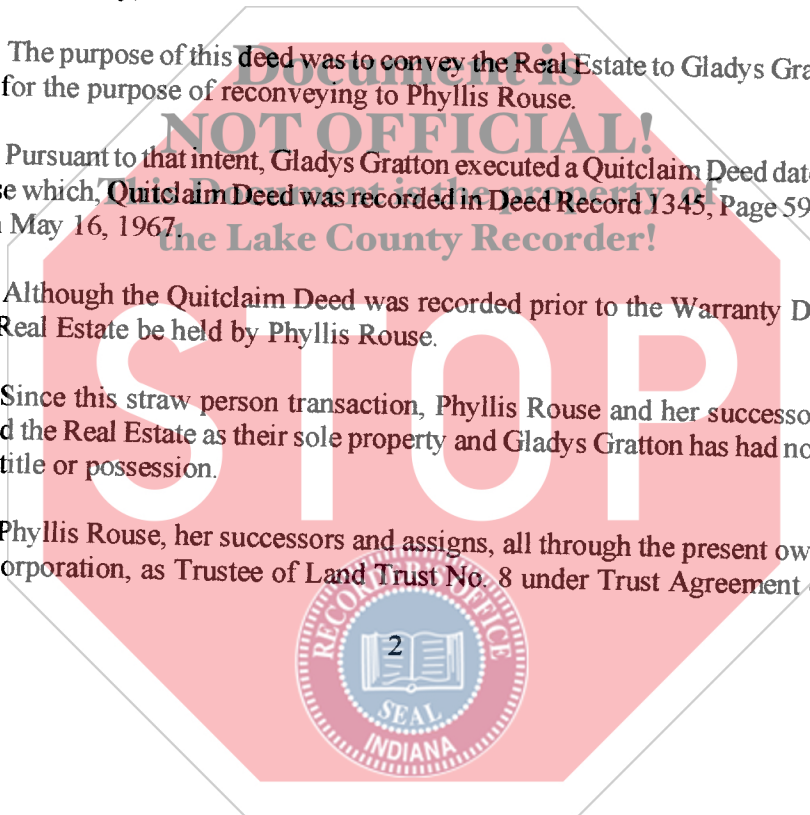
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Lake County, Indiana.

The East 33 rods of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter in Section Twenty-five, Township Thirty-three North, Range Nine West of the 2nd P.M.; and

That part of the East 33 rods of the Northwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section Thirty-six, Township Thirty-three North, Range Nine West of the 2nd P.M., lying Northerly of the center line of State Road; all in Lake County, Indiana ("Real Estate").

2. William Rouse is successor in interest in the Real Estate which was owned by Harry B. Rouse, Jr. and Phyllis Rouse, husband and wife as tenants by the entireties.
3. By Warranty Deed dated April 28, 1967, Harry B. Rouse, Jr. and Phyllis Rouse, husband and wife, conveyed the Real Estate to Gladys Gratton which Warranty Deed was recorded in Deed Record 1345, Page 599 as Document No. 706762 on May 16, 1967 in the office of the Recorder of Lake County, Indiana.
4. The purpose of this deed was to convey the Real Estate to Gladys Gratton, as a straw person, solely for the purpose of reconveying to Phyllis Rouse.
5. Pursuant to that intent, Gladys Gratton executed a Quitclaim Deed dated May 2, 1967 to Phyllis Rouse which, Quitclaim Deed was recorded in Deed Record 1345, Page 597 as Document No. 706761 on May 16, 1967.
6. Although the Quitclaim Deed was recorded prior to the Warranty Deed, it was the intent that the Real Estate be held by Phyllis Rouse.
7. Since this straw person transaction, Phyllis Rouse and her successors and assigns have maintained the Real Estate as their sole property and Gladys Gratton has had no interest in the Real Estate by title or possession.
8. Phyllis Rouse, her successors and assigns, all through the present owner, Fiduciary Management Corporation, as Trustee of Land Trust No. 8 under Trust Agreement dated July 19,



1993, have had possession of the property exclusive of Gladys Gratton and Gladys Gratton has had no interest in the Real Estate.

9. Phyllis Rouse and her successors and assigns have had uninterrupted possession of the property under claim of right with a claim of title adverse to the rest of the world since that time.

William Rouse makes this Affidavit for the purpose of clearing the title to this Real Estate and to explain the incident of the straw person appearing in the chain of title.

This Affidavit is made on September, 2004 *Signed Wm. per Don*

William Rouse
William Rouse, beneficiary of Land Trust No. 8 dated July 19, 1993

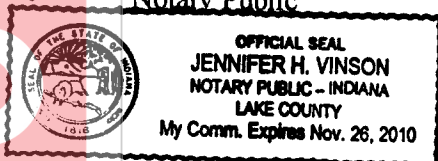
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SS:

Before me the undersigned, a Notary Public for LAKE County, State of Indiana, personally appeared William Rouse, beneficiary of Land Trust No. 8 dated July 19, 1993, and he being first duly sworn by me upon his oath, says that the facts alleged in the foregoing instrument are true. Signed and sealed this 3rd day of September, 2004

My Commission Expires: 11-26-2010
County of Residence: Lake

Jennifer H. Vinson
Notary Public



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