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THE ESTATE OF VERDELL SMITH SR.
A/K/A VERDELL SMITH,

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CAUSE NO.: 45D02-0410-ES-136

HEIR HYKEEM, DORA SMITH,
BURDETTE STEELE, RONALD STEELE, et al)
Defendants)

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**DEFAULT JUDGMENT AND
AGREED ENTRY OF DECREE QUIETING TITLE**

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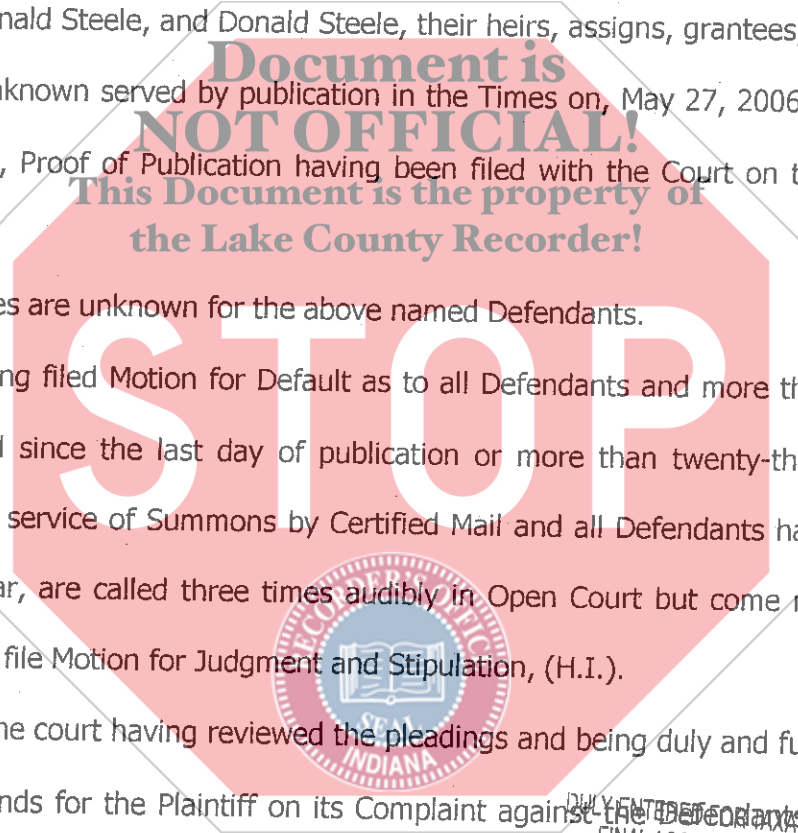
Comes now the Plaintiff, the Estate of Verdell Smith, Sr. a/k/a Verdell Smith, by counsel and files Motion and Stipulation for Default Judgment.

Defendants Heir Hykeem , a/k/a Hykeem Smith-France, Dora Smith, a/k/a Dora Smith, Burdette Steele, Ronald Steele, and Donald Steele, their heirs, assigns, grantees, and creditors, both known and unknown served by publication in the Times on, May 27, 2006, June 3, 2006 and June 10, 2006, Proof of Publication having been filed with the Court on the 28th day of June, 2006.

The addresses are unknown for the above named Defendants.

Plaintiff having filed Motion for Default as to all Defendants and more than thirty (30) days having passed since the last day of publication or more than twenty-three (23) days having passed since service of Summons by Certified Mail and all Defendants having failed to file answer or appear, are called three times audibly in Open Court but come not and make default. Plaintiff now file Motion for Judgment and Stipulation, (H.I.).

Accordingly the court having reviewed the pleadings and being duly and fully advised in the premises, now finds for the Plaintiff on its Complaint against the Defendants. The Court now accepts the Plaintiff's Stipulation and now finds as follows.



ONLY ENTERED ON THIS DATE BY THE COURT
FINAL ACCEPTANCE FOR TRANSFER

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PEGGY HOLINGA KATONA
LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR

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1. Pursuant to Indiana Code 32-30-3-14, the Court finds that the Plaintiff, Estate of Verdell Smith, Sr. a/k/a Verdell Smith, is the owner in fee simple of the following described real property located in Lake County, Indiana:

Lots 44 and 45 and the North 10 feet of Lot 43 in Block 2 in East Hyde Park Addition to Tolleston, in the City of Gary, as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 2 page 28, in the Office of the Recorder of Lake County, Indiana.

Commonly known as 717 King Street, Gary, Indiana 46405

2. The Plaintiff having properly filed their Complaint to Quiet Title, Affidavit required by Indiana Code 32-30-3-14(e), and Affidavit for Publication required by Indiana Code 32-30-3-14(f).

3. More than thirty (30) days have elapsed since the date of last publication of Notice.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED

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as follows:

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1. That the Plaintiff, Estate of Verdell Smith, Sr., a/k/a Verdell Smith, shall be and hereby are declared to be the fee simple owner of

717 King Street, Gary, Indiana, which is legally described as follows:

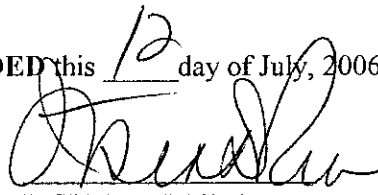
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(hereafter referred to as "subject real property").


2. The fee simple title of the subject real property is hereby quieted against all claims of the defendants, Heir Hykeem, a/k/a Hykeem Smith-France, Dara Smith, a/k/a Dora Smith, Burdette Steele, Ronald Steele and Donald Steele, their heirs, assigns, grantees and creditors, both known and unknown, who might possibly have or claim some right, title or interest in and to the subject real estate, all of whom are to the

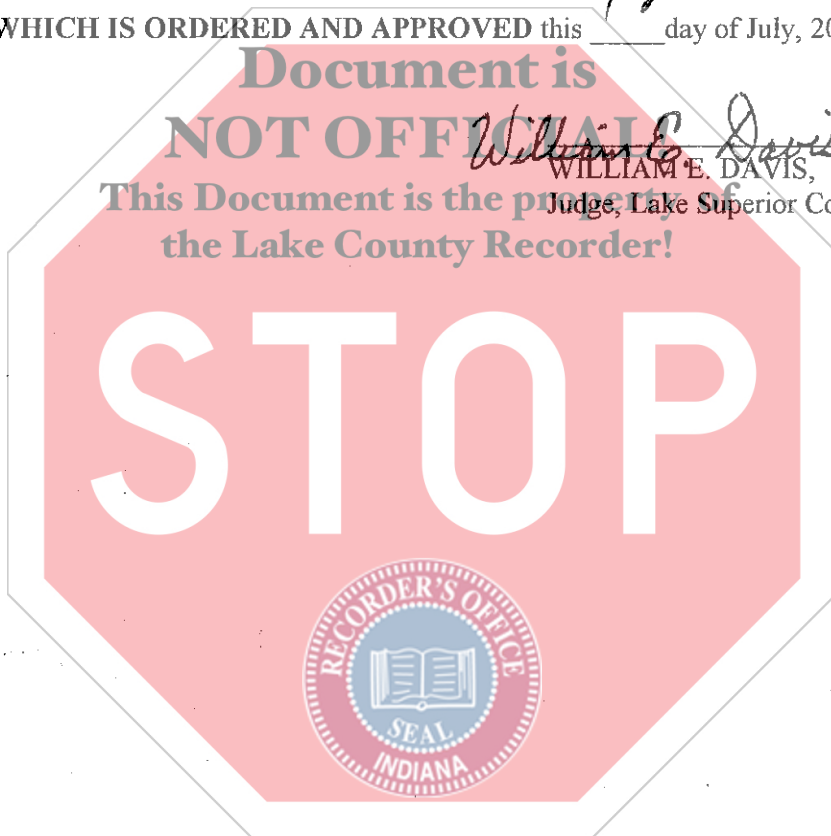
Plaintiffs unknown, or any of his respective descendants or successors in interest, direct or remote, living or dead, whether named or unnamed, and that the fee simple title to the subject real property is hereby vested in the Plaintiff, Estate of Verdell Smith, Sr., a/k/a Verdell Smith.

ALL OF WHICH IS FOUND AND RECOMMENDED this 12 day of July, 2006.


ITSIA D. RIVERA
Probate Commissioner

ALL OF WHICH IS ORDERED AND APPROVED this _____ day of July, 2006.

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WILLIAM E. DAVIS,
Judge, Lake Superior Court, Room II
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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 _____ day of _____ 2006
Clerk of the Lake Circuit and Superior Courts
By: _____
Deputy Clerk