RE: Edward J. Sowa, Deceased

AFFIDAVIT OF HEIRSHIP AND SURVIVORSHIP FOR TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE

Comes now Casimir J. Sowa, being duly sworn upon his oath and states as follows:

- That he is the brother of Edward J. Sowa ("Decedent"), who died in intestate on 1. the 21st day of June, 1991, while a resident of Cook County, Illinois. (A true and accurate copy of the Decedent's death certificate is attached hereto, and incorporated herein by reference, as Exhibit "A.")
- At the time of his death, the Decedent was the owner of an undivided one-half 2. (1/2) interest, as tenant in common, of the following described real estate located in Lake County, Indiana:

- Lot 9, Block 1, Caroline Hohman's Addition to the City of Hammond, as shown in the Plat Book 1, page Indiana Commonly Known as: 5249 - 51 State Line Ave., Hammond, IN 46320

Parcel Identification No.: 45-02-36-301-002.000-023

- and -

Lot 8, Block 1, Caroline Hohman's Addition to the City of Hammond, as shown in Plat Book 1, page 42, in Lake County, Indiana

Commonly Known as: 5245 - 47 State Line Ave., Hammond, IN 46320

Parcel Identification No.: 45-02-36-301-001.000-023

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- 2. At the time of his death, the Decedent was also the owner of an undivided one-half (1/2) interest, as tenant in common, of the following described real estate located in Lake County, Indiana:
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- 3. No Probate proceedings were ever commenced for or on behalf of the Decedent in either Cook County, Illinois, or Lake County, Indiana, or elsewhere.
- 4. No Indiana Inheritance taxes, inheritance taxes from other states or countries, federal estate taxes, or other death taxes are outstanding by reason of the death of the Decedent.
- 5. No claims were made against the Decedent by reason of his death and any and all debts, charges, and liens against the Decedent have been paid in full or otherwise discharged in full by lapse of time.
- 6. The Decedent was not married at the time of his death and left no child nor children, nor descendants of any predeceased child or children, nor any surviving parents.
- 7. The Decedent left no surviving siblings, nor descendants of any predeceased siblings other than the affiant, Casimir J. Sowa.

- 8. By virtue of the foregoing, the Decedent's undivided one-half (1/2) interest in the aforementioned property is vested entirely in Casimir J. Sowa, the Decedent's sole surviving heir at law pursuant to the provisions of Section 2-1 of Illinois Probate Act of 1975 (755 ILCS 5/2-1).
- 9. The Decedent was also a joint owner with rights of survivorship of the following described real estate located in Lake County, Indiana, more particularly described as follows:

The South 25 feet of Lot 7, Block 1, Caroline Hohman's Addition to the City of Hammond, as shown in Plat Book 1, page 42, in Lake County, Indiana

Commonly Known as: 5243 State Line Ave., Hammond, IN 46320

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- 10. The Decedent and Jon J. Sowa acquired title as joint tenants with right of survivorship by deed of conveyance dated October 8, 1981, which document was duly recorded in the Office of the Lake County Recorder on October 8, 1981, under document number 647597.
- 11. The Decedent and Jon J. Sowa jointly held title to said real estate until the death of Edward J. Sowa on the 21st day of June, 1991, at which time Jon J. Sowa became the sole owner of the real estate as the surviving joint tenant, by operation of law.
- 12. The statements made in this affidavit are true and complete insofar as the affiant knows and are made for the purpose of establishing those persons entitled to any interest in real estate belonging to the Decedent and for the purpose of inducing the Auditor of Lake County, Indiana to transfer ownership of the Decedent's real estate on the Auditor's transfer records.

I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that the above and foregoing representations are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Casimir J. Sowa

STATE OF INDIANA)) SS: COUNTY OF LAKE

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, this day of August 2011

day of August, 2011.

Commission Expires: 01/18/2013

NANETTE E. POST, Notary Public NANETTE E. POST, Notary Publ Resident of Lake County, Indiana

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This instrument was prepared by: Laura L. Rybicki (Atty. No. 21389-45) Dugan, Repay & Rybicki, P.C. 7880 Wicker Avenue, Suite 101, St. John, Indiana 46373; (219) 365-7766

Grantee's Address and Mail Tax Statements To: Casimir J. Sowa 2100 White Oak Lane Highland, IN 46322

I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that I have. taken reasonable care to redact each Social Security number in this document, unless required by law.

Laura L. Rybicki