

CHAPTER 43

LAURA SMITH DAY

S. F. 295

AN ACT to legalize the official acts of Laura Smith Day, of Wapello county, Iowa, as notary public.

WHEREAS, Laura Smith of Blakesburg, Wapello county, Iowa, was duly commissioned as a notary public on the fifth (5) day of July, 1921 and continued to act as a notary public and take acknowledgments and sign certificates as Laura Smith until the twenty-fifth (25th) day of January, 1924, and

WHEREAS, the said Laura Smith was married on the twenty-fifth (25th) day of September, 1923, and that by reason of the said marriage, her legal name became Laura Smith Day, and

WHEREAS, the said Laura Smith Day was commissioned as a notary public under her correct name on the twenty-fifth (25th) day of January, 1924.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. **Acknowledgments legalized.** That all acknowledgments
2 of written instruments including affidavits, deeds, mortgages and all
3 other documents taken or made by the said Laura Smith Day after
4 her marriage on the twenty-fifth (25th) day of September 1923 down
5 to and including the twenty-fifth (25th) day of January, 1924 as
6 Laura Smith, be and the same are hereby legalized and made valid
7 the same as though the said Laura Smith Day had been duly com-
8 missioned as a notary public under that name at the time such ac-
9 knowledgments were taken, provided nothing in this act shall affect
10 pending litigation.

1 SEC. 2. **Publication.** This act being deemed of immediate impor-
2 tance shall be in force and effect from and after its publication in the
3 Blakesburg Excelsior, a newspaper published at Blakesburg, Iowa,
4 and the Iowa Forum, a newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa,
5 without expense to the state.

Approved March 12, A. D. 1924.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Blakesburg Excelsior March 20, 1924 and the Iowa Forum March 19, 1924.

W. C. RAMSAY, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 44

WILLIAM E. COX

H. F. 312

AN ACT to authorize the issuance of a patent to certain lands in Winnebago county, Iowa, to William E. Cox.

WHEREAS, Geo. W. Marquardt and J. G. Fink conveyed to the trustees of the university of Iowa, the east half of the northwest quarter (E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$) section twenty-five (25) township one hundred (100) north,

range twenty-five (25) west of the fifth principal meridian, Winnebago county, Iowa, by warranty deed dated March 1, 1866, and recorded in Book "C", page 328, deed records of Winnebago county, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, by decree of the district court of Iowa in and for Winnebago county, the title to said real estate was quieted in the state of Iowa for the use of the state university of Iowa by decree entered June 9, 1902; and

WHEREAS, Lovell Swisher, treasurer of the board of regents of the state university of Iowa, and on behalf of said board of regents, on May 14, 1903, conveyed said real estate to George L. Cox by warranty deed, which deed was thereafter recorded in book 48, page 600, deed records of Winnebago county, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the said George L. Cox died intestate in Winnebago county, Iowa, on or about June 9, 1920, seized of the fee simple title to said real estate, and his surviving spouse and sole heirs-at-law have heretofore conveyed all of their right, title and interest in and to said land to William E. Cox by conveyances now of record in the office of the county recorder of Winnebago county, Iowa; and the said William E. Cox and his grantors have been in the open, continuous, notorious and adverse possession of said real estate under color of right and claim of title, for more than twenty (20) years last past; and

WHEREAS, doubts have arisen whether any title remained in the state of Iowa by reason of the aforesaid decree, and whether the said conveyance by Lovell Swisher, treasurer of the board of regents of the state university of Iowa, to George L. Cox was sufficient to transfer to him the full fee simple title to said real estate; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. **To issue patent.** That the governor and secretary of
2 state shall, in the name of the state of Iowa and under its seal, convey
3 by patent to the said William E. Cox, the following described real
4 estate situated in Winnebago county, Iowa, to-wit:

5 The east half of the northwest quarter (E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$) section twenty-
6 five (25), township one hundred (100) north, range twenty-five (25)
7 west of the fifth principal meridian;

8 and thereby transfer to the said William E. Cox any and all interest
9 which the state of Iowa may have in and to said described real estate,
10 said patent to issue without expense to the state of Iowa.

1 SEC. 2. **Publication.** This act, being deemed of immediate impor-
2 tance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication
3 in the Forest City Summit, a newspaper published in Forest City,
4 Iowa, and the Iowa Forum, a newspaper published in the city of Des
5 Moines, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved April 12, A. D. 1924.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Forest City Summit, April 24, 1924, and the Iowa Forum, April 16, 1924.

W. C. RAMSAY, *Secretary of State.*