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HOMESTEAD AFFIDAVIT.

U. S. Land Office at Sioux Falls

June 16, 1897

I, John E. Smith, of Dorrington Neb

having filed my application No. _____, for an entry under section 2289, Revised Statutes of the

United States, do solemnly swear that I am not the proprietor of more than one hundred and sixty acres

of land in any State or Territory; that I am a Naturalized Citizen of the United States
born in England. I claim citizenship from the fact that my father was
naturalized before I became 21 years of age. That I am
more than 21 years of age

that my said application is honestly and in good faith made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not for the benefit of any other person, persons, or corporation, and that I will faithfully and honestly endeavor to comply with all the requirements of law as to settlement, residence, and cultivation necessary to acquire title to the land applied for; that I am not acting as agent of any person, corporation, or syndicate in making such entry, nor in collusion with any person, corporation, or syndicate to give them the benefit of the land entered, or any part thereof, or the timber thereon; that I do not apply to enter the same for the purpose of speculation, but in good faith to obtain a home for myself, and that I have not directly or indirectly made, and will not make, any agreement or contract in any way or manner, with any person or persons, corporation, or syndicate whatsoever, by which the title which I might acquire from the Government of the United States should inure, in whole or in part, to the benefit of any person except myself, and further, that since August 30, 1890, I have not entered under the land laws of the United States, or filed upon, a quantity of land, agricultural in character, and not mineral, which, with the tracts now applied for, would make more than three hundred and twenty acres, except

That the applicant here by claims time in the filing of said application of residence on
Presumptive # has been the date of said O. S. That applicant has resided on said tract
and fully complied with the land laws of 1890 in good faith for 62.42.42. 18. 20-57

and that I have not heretofore made any entry under the homestead laws, except _____

That I have made no other entry since Aug 30, 1894. That the reason I do not appear
in person at the land office to make this affidavit
is they are distant and I live there.
(Sign plainly with full Christian name.) John E. Smith

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16 day of June, 1897, at my

office at Gracey in Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska

C. W. Ford
Clk of the District Court

* Here insert statement that affiant is a citizen of the United States, or that he has filed his declaration of intention to become such, and that he is the head of a family, or is over twenty-one years of age, as the case may be. It should be stated whether applicant is native-born or not, and if not, a certified copy of his certificate of naturalization, or declaration of intention, as the case may be, must be furnished. (See page 45, circular of January 1, 1889.)