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Ferris John W.
vs
Swamp Land Reclamation District Number 537. (a corporation)

This Indenture, Made the 20th day of December ~~in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety~~ A.D. 1897,

Between John W. Ferris, of the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, the party of the first part, and Swamp Land Reclamation District Number 537, a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California, and having its principal place of business in said City and County of San Francisco, State of California, the party of the second part,

Witnesseth: That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten ($10.00) Dollars lawful money of the United States of America, to him in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained and sold, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents does grant, bargain and sell, convey and confirm,

unto the said party of the second part, and to its successors ~~heirs and~~ and assigns forever all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being on Roberts Island, County of San Joaquin, State of California, and bounded and particularly described as follows, to wit: Commencing at the intersection of the east bank of Black Slough with the San Joaquin River; thence meandering along said bank up stream to its intersection with the south line of section number three (3), township number one (1) north, range number five (5) east, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian; thence west to the west bank of said Black Slough; thence meandering said west bank of said Black Slough down stream to its intersection with the east bank of the west branch of Black Slough; thence meandering said east bank up stream to its intersection with the south line of section number thirty four (34), township number two (2) north, range number five (5) east, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing sixty acres, more or less.

Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof.

($10.00 Stamp cancelled)

To have and to hold, all and singular the said premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, and to its successors ~~heirs and~~ assigns forever.

In witness whereof, the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of

James L. King

John W. Ferris (L. S.)
(L. S.)
(L. S.)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, City and County of San Francisco, } ss.

On this 20th day of December A.D. 1897, ~~hundred and ninety~~ before me James L. King a Notary Public in and for said City and County, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared John W. Ferris known to me to be the individual described in, ~~person~~ whose name is subscribed, to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, in the City and County of San Francisco, the day and year last above written.

(Seal) James L. King Notary Public in and for the City and County of San Francisco, State of California.

Filed for record at the Request of R. P. Lane Aug. 26, A.D. 1899, at 36 min. past 9 o'clock A.M.

Exhibit 9J