

Q And that he was the purchaser at this sale?

A That's right.

Q And that Jacob P. Hummer had previously died?

A He did, in 1928.

Q It was common knowledge in the community that these events had taken place?

A It was.

Q And that the property was being sold at tax sale because the taxes had not been paid on the property?

A I understood that.

Q Was that common knowledge?

A Yes.

Q And it is your desire by this proceeding to claim the title as to the twenty-five hundredths of an acre of land you now own and live on?

A It is.

Q Sir, for what period of time, to your knowledge, did Mr. Jacob P. Hummer own and/or possess this land prior to the time he died?

A The tract I am trying to clear my property, to my best knowledge it was 1890 or 1892 - I won't specify the year.

Q Do you know how he got possession at that time?

A It was the Kolb Estate settled up, which Mr. Hummer purchased part of the land, and Mr. Hamerick purchased some - Lewis Hamerick - and I think Mr. John Funk purchased some at the same time. It was divided up in tracts, but it was the old Kolb Estate.

Q How much land did Mr. Hummer buy at that time?

A Of the Kolb Estate?

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A Don't pin me right down to the acre. I think somewhere around twelve acres.

Q And then he possessed this land from the year 1890 or 1892 until the date he died in 1928?

A That's right.