Exhibit A

This Mortgage made this 3rd day of April in the year Eighteen hundred and sixty seven, by us Lawson H. Main and his wife, Martha M. Main of Frederick County, Maryland, Witnesseth, that Whereas the said Lawson H. Main, by his two single bills or promissory notes, legally stamped, each dated on the first day of April, in the year Eighteen hundred and Sixty seven, the one drawn for Four Thousand Dollars, payable one year after date, with interest from date, and the other drawn for Four thousand dollars payable two years after date, with interest from date, stands indebted to John Miller of H. in the sum of Eight thousand Dollars, with interest from date. And whereas to secure the payment of the said Eight thousand Dollars, in said two single bills specified, when due and to secure the payment of the interest thereon. We the said Lawson H. Main and his wife, Martha M. Main do grant in fee simple to the said John Miller of H., all the following described parts of tracts of land, situated in Frederick County, and being part of a tract of land called "The Forest", and part of a tract called Union or be it known by any name or names whatever, being the same piece or tract of land described in the deed from John Miller of H. and wife, to the said Lawson H Main for one hundred and thirty three and three sixteenths acres, dated on the 28th. day of March 1867, Provided always that if the said Lawson H Main, shall well and truly pay to the said John Miller of H. the sum of Eight thousand dollars, in said two single bills or promissory notes specified when due and payable with interest thereon from date, then this Mortgage shall be void and of no effect; but if default shall be made by the said Lawson H Main in the payment of said Eight thousand Dollars with interest according to the tenor of said two single bills or promissory notes specified, when due then it may be lawful for the said John Miller of H. his executors, administrators or assigns to enter upon the said Mortgage premises and sell the same, on the premises. He first giving at least three weeks notice in one or more newspaper, published in Frederick County, and by bills or otherwise, of the time, place, manner and terms of sale, which terms shall be, one third of the purchase money to be paid in hand, and the residue in two equal annual payments from the day of sale The purchaser giving his her or their notes, with approved security bearing interest from the day of sale And after payment of costs and expenses attending such sale, and a commission of three per cent to the Mortgagee for making sale, the said debt and the interest thereon due and owing on said two single bills or promissory notes hereinbefore, then to pay over any surplus proceeds to the said Lawson H. Main, his executors, administrators or assigns

Test: Witness our hands and seals

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Lawson H. Main (Seal)

Martha M. Main (Seal)

State of Maryland, Frederick County, town:

I hereby certify that on this 3d day of April, in the year 1867, before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the said State, in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared Lawson H. Main and his wife, Martha M Main, and did acknowledge the foregoing Mortgage to be their respective act, and at the same time, before