

Records of Frederick County, nor are such original papers and documents available for recording as required by law, although diligent search has been made by your Complainant and his Solicitor, and although the original docket entries in the aforesaid No. 15815 Equity were made, which said docket entries are available for the inspection of Your Honorable Court; that further question has been raised as to the good and marketable title of your Complainant by reason of the fact that there is nothing of record to show that the original papers and documents in the proceedings No. 15815 Equity, as aforesaid, were properly prepared for filing.

SIXTH: That your Complainant is now in possession of the premises openly, notoriously, adversely, with color of title and under claim of right, and the predecessors in title of your Complainant since July 13, 1948 have also been in such continuous, adverse possession under color of title and claim of right.

SEVENTH: That your Complainant and his Solicitor have made diligent effort to ascertain the heirs, devisees, personal representative, descendants or successors in interest of Frank Nichols, deceased, but have been unable to discover any such heirs, devisees, personal representatives, descendants or successors in interest of the said Frank Nichols.

EIGHTH: That the unavailability of the aforesaid original papers and documents in the aforesaid proceedings in No. 15815 Equity and the possibility that said proceedings were improperly prepared had constituted a cloud upon the title of your Complainant, and although your Complainant claims to hold a valid fee simple title, the same cannot be established of record without the removal of the aforesaid cloud.

TO END AND THEREFORE:

1. That this Court may take jurisdiction in the premises and enter a Decree removing the clouds upon the title of your Complainant.

2. That this Court shall declare that your Complainant has a