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Legal Notices

No. 21,481 Equity
In the Circuit Court
For Frederick County, Md.

MELVIN E KAUFFMAN and
ELSIE M KAUFFMAN, his wife
Route # 1
Thurmont, Maryland
Vs
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, DECENDANTS OR SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST OF MORA M SNOOK AND WILLIAM O SNOOK, DECEASED

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this Bill is that the Court may take jurisdiction in the premises and enter a Decree removing the cloud upon the title of the Complainants and that the Court shall declare that the Complainants have a good and marketable fee simple title to the property described in the Bill of Complaint, and may sell of convey or otherwise deal with such property without regard to the claims of the unknown heirs, devisees, personal representatives, descendants or successors of Mora M Snook and William O Snook, deceaed

The Bill recites that the Complainants are the owners, in fee simple, of a tract or parcel of real estate, containing 1 84 acres, more or less, situate, lying and being in Lewistown District, Frederick County, Maryland, said tract and parcel lying on the north side of Mountaindale Road, near the intersection of Bethel Road, as depicted on the survey which is attached to the Bill of Complaint, said tract and parcel of land being all the same real estate conveyed by and described in a deed from Eutaw M Snook, bachelor, unto Melvin E Kauffman and Elsie M Kapffman, his wife, dated December 8, 1961, and recorded in Liber 662, folio 182, one of the Lard Records of Frederick County, Maryland, that the above described real estate is a portion of the property that was conveyed by Helen F Mock, unmarried, to Eutaw M Snook, bachelor, and Lottie M Snook, spinster, (brother and sister) as joint tenants, by deed dated September 1, 1944, and recorded in Liber 444, folio 596, one of the aforesaid Land Records, that the above described real estate is a portion of the property that was conveyed by Eutaw M Snook and Lottie M. Snook unto Helen F Mock, by deed dated September 1, 1944, and recorded in Liber 444, folio 595, one of the aforesaid Land Records, that the above described real estate is a portion of the property having been devised unto Eutaw M Snook and Lottie M Snook by their father, George M Snook, by Will dated December 25, 1925, and recorded in Liber G E S 2, folio 124, one of the Will Records of Frederick County, Maryland, the above described real estate is a portion of the property that was conveyed unto the said George M Snook by William H Todd and Susan Catherine Todd, his wife, by deed dated January 25, 1881, and recorded in Liber W I P 13, folio 392, one of the aforesaid Land Records, that the remaining portion of said real estate, containing 1 acre of land, more or less, was conveyed by William H Todd and Susan C Todd, his wife, to Harriett A V Fogle by deed dated August 27, 1877, and recorded in Liber IG 8, folio 225, one of the aforesaid Land Records, that the said Harriett A. V Fogle and Ephraim Fogle, her husband, conveyed said 1 acre of land to David M King by deed dated March 31, 1891, and recorded in Liber W I P 13, folio 397, one of the aforesaid Land Records, that the said David M King and Annie M King, his wife, conveyed the said 1 acre of land by an unrecorded deed unto Mora M Snook and William O Snook dated June 2, 1891, that thereafter the said David M King, during the month of February 1917, sold the said one-acre of land, more or less, unto George M Snook, having failed to execute and deliver a deed for said tract of land unto the purchaser, the George M Snook, and whereas the said George M Snook took possession of said one-acre tract during the month of February, 1917, and from the date of such acquisition and taking of possession, he continued to possess the tract uninterruptedly until the day of his death, which occurred on or about January 13, 1927, and after the death of the said said George M Snook, the said Eutaw M Snook and Lottie M Snook maintained possession of said one-acre tract of land, together with the remaining acres devised unto them by the said George M Snook, said Eutaw M Snook having conveyed said property to the said Melvin E Kauffman and Elsie M. Kauffman, his wife, as aforesaid, (the said Lottie M Snook having predeceased the said Eutaw M Snook and title having vested in the said Eutaw M Snook), and the said George M Kauffman, his wife, have maintained actual and visible, continuous, exclusive, hostile, notorious and adverse possession and control of the aforesaid land and premises with full claim of ownership and under color of title since February, 1917, that a question has arisen as to whether the Complainants have a good and marketable title to said premises by reason of the fact of the unrecorded deed conveyed unto Mora M Snook and William O Snook and by reason of the fact that there is nothing of record to show that the said George M Snook was in possession of a good and marketable title to the above described premises, that the Complainants have made a diligent effort to ascertain the status of said property and have also made diligent effort to determine who the proper parties of interest are in this action to quiet title to the above described premises, but they have been unable to ascertain any such information, or to discover any formal conveyance of said property through this period of time, that the absence of formal instruments of conveyance or devise in the chain of title to this property constitutes a cloud upon the title of the Complainants, and although the Complainants claim to hold a valid fee simple title, the same cannot be established of record without the removal of the aforesaid cloud upon the title of the Complainants

It is thereupon this 7th day of November, 1966, by the Circuit Court for Frederick County, sitting as a Court of Equity, and by the authority thereof, ORDERED that the Complainants, by causing a copy of this Order to be inserted in some newspaper published in said Frederick County, once a week in each of four successive weeks, the last of such publications to be made not less than thirty days before the 10th day of January, 1967, give notice to the unknown heirs, devisees, personal representatives, descendants or successors of Mora M Snook and William O Snook, deceased, whether residents or non-residents, of the objects and substance of this Bill, warning them to appear in this Court in person or by solicitor, on or before the 10th day of January, 1967, next, to show cause, if any they have, why a Decree ought not to be passed as prayed

ELLIS C WACHTER,
Clerk

WALLACE E HUTTON,
Solicitor for Complainants
Frederick, Maryland

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Ellis C Wachter, Clerk