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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF DESOTO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

TIM TEMPLE — PLAINTIFF

VS. — CIVIL ACTION NO. 87-10-848

ERNEST L. MEEKS, AND WIFE, NANCY L. MEEKS, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN — DEFENDANTS

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FINAL DECREE

This cause came on this day to be heard on the filed, verified Complaint To Confirm And Quiet Tax Title Pursuant To Section 11-17-1, and following, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, filed in this cause by the Plaintiff and the Court being fully advised in the premises does find and adjudicate as follows:

That the Defendants, Ernest L. Meeks and wife, Nancy L. Meeks, and all unknown persons having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in and to the real property hereinafter described, are properly before this Court upon publication of summons as provided by Rule 4 of the Mississippi Rules of Civil Procedure.

That the Plaintiff is the owner in fee simple of lands located in DeSoto County, Mississippi, and described as follows:

> Lot 278, Section B, Bridgetown Subdivision, as shown on plat recorded in Plat Book 14, Pages 38-49, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of DeSoto County, Mississippi, in Section 23, Township 2, Range 7 West.

That the Plaintiff is owner in fee simple of said land by virtue of that certain official Chancery Clerk's conveyance, land sold for taxes dated November 13, 1985, and of record in Deed Book 183, Page 7 of the Land Deed Records of DeSoto County, Mississippi. That a true and correct copy of said instrument was attached as Exhibit "A" to the Complaint.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, COUNTY OF DESOTO
I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the above and foregoing is a true copy of the original filed in this office.
H. G. Ferguson, Clerk of the Chancery Court
This the 17th day of December 1987
By J. Kirk D.C
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BY J. Kirk D. C.

That the Plaintiff became the owner of said property by virtue of a tax sale conducted on the 19th day of September, 1983 at which time said property was purchased by Plaintiff. That a true and correct copy of the list of tax sales to individuals on the 19th of September, 1983, is attached as Exhibit "B" to the Complaint. That at the time of said tax sale the record owner of said real property as reflected by the Deed Records of DeSoto County, Mississippi, maintained in the office of the Chancery Court Clerk of DeSoto County, Mississippi, was the said Ernest L. Meeks and wife, Nancy L. Meeks, by virtue of a Deed of Record in Deed Book 143, Page 655 in said office.

That Plaintiff deraigns his title to said land for the past forty-six (46) years as follows:

(1) General warranty deed from Newton B. Black to D. W. Bridgforth dated February 11th, 1941, filed for record at 2:30 p.m. on February 13th, 1941 and recorded in Book 28, Page 176.

(2) Executor's deed from James P. Tipton, Chancery Court Clerk and Charles J. Day, Circuit Court Clerk, Executors of the will of Mrs. Amma Gray Horn to Dudley Bridgforth dated November 15th, 1947, filed for record at 3:30 p.m. on January 5th, 1948, and recorded in Book 35, Page 363.

(3) Warranty deed from Bridgetown, Inc., a Mississippi Corporation, to S & W Construction Co. of Tennessee, a Tennessee Corporation, dated January 30th, 1975, filed for record at 9:15 a.m. on January 31st, 1975, and recorded in Deed Book 116, Page 273.

(4) Executor's deed from James P. Tipton, Chancery Court Clerk and Charles J. Day, Circuit Court Clerk, Executors of the Will of Mrs. Amma Gray Horn to Dudley Bridgforth dated November 15th, 1947, filed for record at 3:30 p.m. on January 5th, 1948, and recorded in Book 35, Page 363.

(5) Warranty deed from Dudley B. Bridgforth to Star Land Development Corporation, a Mississippi Corporation, dated January 6th, 1970, filed for record at 11:15 a.m. on February 9th, 1970, and recorded in Book 83, Page 43.

(6) General warranty deed from Viola Booker to Paul H. Bowdre dated September 22, 1948, filed for record at 10:30 a.m. on September 22, 1948 and recorded in Book 35, Page 583.

(7) General warranty deed from Iva B. Tucker to Allen Ray Bridgforth, et ux, dated May 4th, 1948, filed for record at 11:00 a.m. on May 5th, 1948 and recorded in Book 35, Page 475.

(8) Warranty deed from Allen Ray Bridgforth, et ux,

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to Arthur A. Whitten, dated November 4th, 1958, filed for record at 10:00 a.m. on November 4th, 1958 and recorded in Deed Book 45, Page 185.

(9) General warranty deed from Arthur A. Whitten to Star Land Development Corporation, a Mississippi Corporation, dated February 6th, 1970, filed for record at 3:30 p.m. on February 6th, 1970 and recorded in Book 83, Page 36.

(10) Quitclaim deed from Paul H. Bowdre to G. E. Williams, dated November 12th, 1948, filed for record at 10:30 a.m. on November 12th, 1948 and recorded in Deed Book 36, Page 23.

(11) Commissioner's deed from James P. Tipton, Commissioner, to G. E. Williams, dated November 12th, 1948, filed for record at 10:30 a.m. on November 12th, 1948 and recorded in Deed Book 36, Page 24.

(12) Warranty deed from G. E. Williams, et ux, to Star Land Development Corporation, a Mississippi Corporation, dated February 6th, 1970, filed for record at 11:15 a.m. on February 9th, 1970 and recorded in Deed Book 83, Page 45.

(13) Warranty deed from Bettye B. Whitten, et al, to Star Land Development Corporation, a Mississippi Corporation, dated February 3rd, 1970, filed for record at 11:15 a.m. on February 9th, 1970 and recorded in Deed Book 83, Page 51.

(14) Warranty deed from Vira V. Bridgforth, et al, to Star Land Development Corporation, a Mississippi Corporation, dated January 22, 1970, filed for record at 11:15 a.m. on February 9th, 1970, and recorded in Deed Book 83, Page 47.

(15) Warranty deed from Bettye B. Whitten, et al, to Star Land Development Corporation, a Mississippi Corporation, dated February 3rd, 1970, filed for record at 11:15 a.m. on February 9th, 1970 and recorded in Deed Book 83, Page 51.

(16) Correction deed from Bettye B. Whitten, et al, to Star Land Development Corporation, a Mississippi Corporation, dated October 30th, 1972, filed for record at 1:15 p.m. on November 7th, 1972 and recorded in Deed Book 99, Page 394.

(17) Warranty deed from Bridgetown, Inc., a Mississippi Corporation, to S & W Construction Co. of Tennessee, a Tennessee Corporation, dated January 30th, 1975, filed for record at 9:15 a.m. on January 31st, 1975, and recorded in Deed Book 116, Page 273.

(18) Warranty deed from S & W Construction Co. of Tennessee, a Tennessee Corporation to Bridgetown, Inc., a Mississippi Corporation, dated October 30th, 1975, filed for record at 4:50 p.m. on October 31st, 1975, and recorded in Deed Book 121, Page 355.

(19) Warranty deed from Bridgetown, Inc., a Mississippi Corporation, to Ernest L. Meeks and wife, Nancy L. Meeks, dated July 30th, 1979, filed for record at 9:00 a.m. on September 26, 1979 and recorded in Book 143, Page 655

That on the 19th day of September, 1983, the aforesaid property was sold by the Tax Collector of DeSoto County, Mississippi, for taxes due thereon for the year 1982 when the said Tim Temple, Plaintiff herein, became purchaser thereof. More than two (2) years passed since the sale of the said real property and the same remained unredeemed. Thereupon, in the manner and within the time required by law, the Chancery Clerk of DeSoto County, Mississippi, executed to the Plaintiff an official Chancery Clerk's conveyance, land sold for taxes, in the usual legal form for said land.

That the description of the real property purchased by Plaintiff is described as follows:

> Lot 278, Bridgetown, Section B, Section 23, Township 2, Range 7, DeSoto County, Mississippi.

A better and more definite description of said property is as follows:

> Lot 278, Section B, Bridgetown Subdivision, as shown on plat recorded in Plat Book 14, Pages 38-44, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of DeSoto County, Mississippi, in Section 23, Township 2, Range 7 West.

The Court finds and adjudicates after due investigation based upon available records, assessment rolls and deed records that said property as described in said official Chancery Clerk's conveyance, land sold for taxes, is more correctly described as hereinabove stated and that title to said land shall be confirmed to the Plaintiff as herein corrected.

That the relief prayed for in said Complaint should be granted.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that the tax title in Tim Temple to Lot 278, Section B, Bridgetown Subdivision, as shown on plat recorded in Plat Book 14, Page 38-44 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of DeSoto County,

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Mississippi, in Section 23, Township 2, Range 7 West, is hereby confirmed against all named Defendants herein, all unknown persons having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in and to said real property and against all persons claiming to hold the land by title existing at the time of the sale for taxes on September 19, 1983, and that the said Tim Temple be and he is hereby vested with a good and sufficient title to said real estate in fee simple.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND DECREED that the Chancery Clerk of DeSoto County, Mississippi, shall cause a certified copy of this decree to be recorded in the land deed records of DeSoto County, Mississippi.

SO ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED on this the 15th day of December, 1987.

S E Hannaford Sr.
CHANCELLOR

Filed @ 8:35 A.M. Dec 18, 1987
Recorded in book 201 Page 100
H. C. Ferguson, Chancery Clerk