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HOMESTEAD DEED

COMPARED

CREEK INDIAN ROLL, No. 6040

THE MUSKOGEE (CREEK) NATION,
INDIAN TERRITORY.

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

WHEREAS, By the Act of Congress approved March 1, 1901 (31 Stats., 861), agreement ratified by the Creek Nation May 25, 1901, it was provided that all lands of the Muskogee (Creek) Tribe of Indians, in Indian Territory, except as therein provided, should be allotted among the citizens of said tribe by the United States Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes so as to give to each an equal share of the whole in value, as nearly as may be, and

WHEREAS, It was provided by said Act of Congress that each citizen shall select, or have selected for him, from his allotment forty acres of land as a homestead for which he shall have a separate deed, and

WHEREAS, the said Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes has certified that the land hereinafter described has been selected by or on behalf of Ella Wilcox, a citizen of said tribe, as a homestead.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, the undersigned, the Principal Chief of the Muskogee (Creek) Nation, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the aforesaid Act of the Congress of the United States, have granted and conveyed and by these presents do grant and convey unto the said Ella Wilcox, all right, title, and interest of the Muskogee (Creek) Nation, and of all other citizens of said Nation in and to the following-described land, viz: The South East quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section Twenty-three (23), Township Seventeen (17) North, and Range Fourteen (14) East, of the Indian Base and Meridian, in Indian Territory, containing Forty (40) acres, more or less, as the case may be, according to the United States survey thereof, subject, however, to the conditions provided by said Act of Congress, and which conditions are that said land shall be non-taxable and inalienable and free from any incumbrance whatever for twenty-one years; and subject, also to provisions of said Act of Congress relating to the use, devise, and descent of said land after the death of the said Ella Wilcox subject, also, to all provisions of said Act of Congress relating to appraisement and valuation and to the provisions of the Act of Congress approved June 30, 1902 (Public No. 200).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the Principal Chief of the Muskogee (Creek) Nation, have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of said Nation to be affixed this 14th day of January, A. D. 1904.

L.R.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Approved Feb. 5, 1904

Ethan A. Hitchcock

Secretary

By Oliver A. Phelps Clerk

P. Porter
Principal Chief of the Muskogee (Creek)
Nation.

(SEAL)

Filed for record on the 12 day of Feb. 1904, at 4 o'clock P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES
MUSKOGEE, OKLAHOMA.

This is to certify that I am the officer having custody of the records of deeds of the Choctaw, Chickasaw, Cherokee, Creek and Seminole Nations, and the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the deed issued to Ella Wilcox as the same appears of record in Book No. 44 page 450 of CREEK DEED RECORDS.

S. E. WALLEN, Superintendent.

By P. L. Snyder CLERK
IN CHARGE CREEK DEED RECORDS
Date Dec. 10, 1923