

FLORIDA }  
ESCAMBIA }

*Lydia*

Before the undersigned authority, personally appeared *Lydia*  
(Apseybeth) Ward Hayes, says under oath the following statement:  
she is 83 years of age, that her Post Office Address is Pensacola,  
Florida; that she is a sister of Jessie Joe Ward of Bruce, Florida;  
that she is a daughter of William Joe Ward and Abseybeth Ward; that  
her Grandfather's name was James B. Ward, and that her Grandmother's  
name was Elizabeth English Ward, and according to her knowledge was a  
Creek Indian. After the death of her Grandfather, James B. Ward she  
went with her family to Dale County, Alabama, to visit her Indian  
Grandmother, Elizabeth English Ward. She recalls travelling by covered  
wagon, carrying camping equipment for the journey. After a visit of  
several days she remembers her Grandmother decided to come to Florida  
with the family as her six sons had done, due to their being disliked  
for being half Indian. The Grandmother remained in Florida for about  
three years and was known by all as an Indian.

Dated at Pensacola, Escambia County, Florida, this 12th. day  
of January, A. D. 1956.

*her*

*x Lydia Hayes* (SEAL)  
*mark*

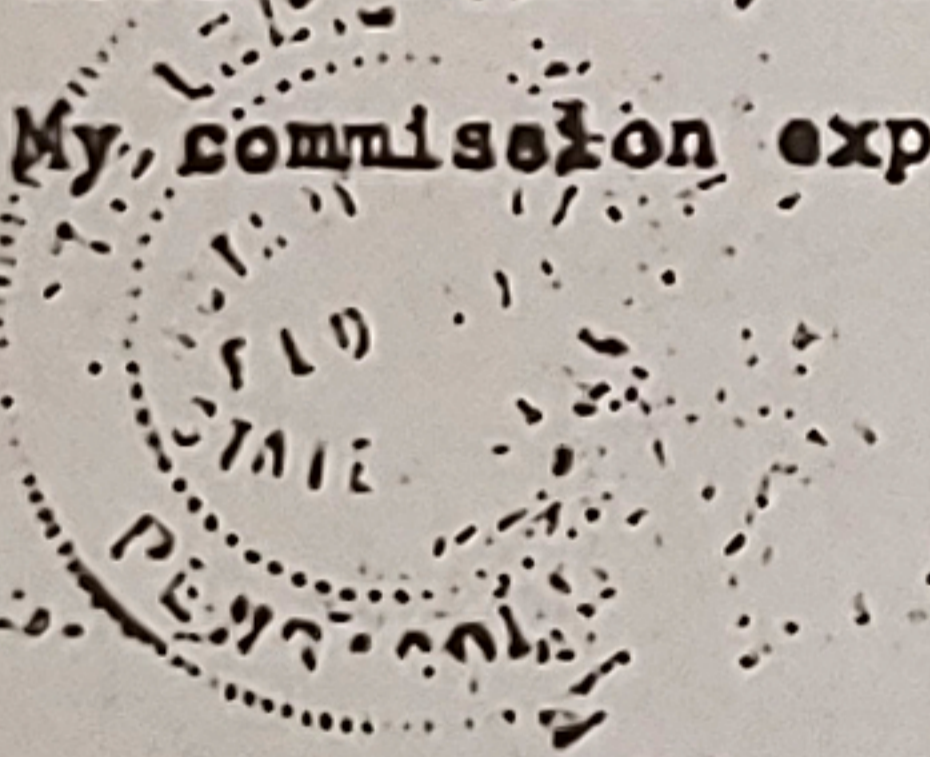
Witnesses:

*Harrie Nolan*  
*Lena Billing*

Sworn to and subscribed to before me a Notary Public,  
this 12th. day of January, A. D. 1956.

*Artie Lee Campbell*  
Notary Public, State of Florida at Large

My commission expires March 3, 1958.



STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF GULF  
I, Leo Andrews, Clerk of the County of Gulf, State of Florida, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as deposited to me for certification.  
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on this 12 day of FEB A. D. 1956

*Leo Andrews*  
Clerk of the County of Gulf, State of Florida

*Leo Andrews*  
Deputy Clerk



STATE OF FLORIDA )  
COUNTY OF ESCAMBIA )

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~~Absey~~ (Apseybeth) Ward Hayes, says under oath the following statement:  
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Dated at Pensacola, Escambia County, Florida, this 12th. day  
of January, A. D. 1956.

*her*  
*Lydia* Absey Lydia Hayes (SEAL)  
*mark*

Witnesses:

James B. Ward  
Wm. B. Hayes

Sworn to and subscribed to before me a Notary Public,  
this 12th. day of January, A. D. 1956.

Artie Lee Campbell  
Notary Public, State of Florida at Large

My commission expires March 3, 1958.

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF WALTON

I, E. Leo Andrews, Clerk Circuit Court, in and for the County of Walton,  
State of Florida, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true  
photo-copy of the original as presented to me for certification.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on  
this the 6 day of FEB, A. D. 1956

E. Leo Andrews  
E. Leo Andrews  
Clerk Circuit Court, Walton County, Fla.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk