Remit Payment To: LAWRENCE COUNTY TITLE **811 11TH STREET** LAWRENCEVILLE, IL 62439



Billed To: Parrott Auctions Invoice No.: 259

Invoice Date: September 13, 2024

Please Pay Before: October 13, 2024

Our File Number: FAM249896

Your Reference Number:

Property:

Brief Legal:

LAWRENCE County

DESCRIPTION AMOUNT PRELIMINARY COMMITMENT: 250.00 Invoice Total Amount Due \$ 250.00

Smith Heirs

ALTA COMMITMENT FOR TITLE INSURANCE issued by FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY

NOTICE

IMPORTANT-READ CAREFULLY: THIS COMMITMENT IS AN OFFER TO ISSUE ONE OR MORE TITLE INSURANCE POLICIES. ALL CLAIMS OR REMEDIES SOUGHT AGAINST THE COMPANY INVOLVING THE CONTENT OF THIS COMMITMENT OR THE POLICY MUST BE BASED SOLELY IN CONTRACT.

THIS COMMITMENT IS NOT AN ABSTRACT OF TITLE, REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF TITLE, LEGAL OPINION, OPINION OF TITLE, OR OTHER REPRESENTATION OF THE STATUS OF TITLE. THE PROCEDURES USED BY THE COMPANY TO DETERMINE INSURABILITY OF THE TITLE, INCLUDING ANY SEARCH AND EXAMINATION, ARE PROPRIETARY TO THE COMPANY, WERE PERFORMED SOLELY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMPANY, AND CREATE NO EXTRACONTRACTUAL LIABILITY TO ANY PERSON, INCLUDING A PROPOSED INSURED.

THE COMPANY'S OBLIGATION UNDER THIS COMMITMENT IS TO ISSUE A POLICY TO A PROPOSED INSURED IDENTIFIED IN SCHEDULE A IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THIS COMMITMENT. THE COMPANY HAS NO LIABILITY OR OBLIGATION INVOLVING THE CONTENT OF THIS COMMITMENT TO ANY OTHER PERSON.

COMMITMENT TO ISSUE POLICY

Subject to the Notice; Schedule B, Part I-Requirements; Schedule B, Part II-Exceptions; and the Commitment Conditions, First American Title Insurance Company, a Nebraska Corporation (the "Company"), commits to issue the Policy according to the terms and provisions of this Commitment. This Commitment is effective as of the Commitment Date shown in Schedule A for each Policy described in Schedule A, only when the Company has entered in Schedule A both the specified dollar amount as the Proposed Amount of Insurance and the name of the Proposed Insured.

If all of the Schedule B, Part I-Requirements have not been met within 180 days after the Commitment Date, this Commitment terminates and the Company's liability and obligation end.

COMMITMENT CONDITIONS

1. DEFINITIONS

- a. "Discriminatory Covenant": Any covenant, condition, restriction, or limitation that is unenforceable under applicable law because it illegally discriminates against a class of individuals based on personal characteristics such as race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, familial status, disability, national origin, or other legally protected class.
- b. "Knowledge" or "Known": Actual knowledge or actual notice, but not constructive notice imparted by the Public Records.
- c. "Land": The land described in Item 5 of Schedule A and improvements located on that land that by State law constitute real property. The term "Land" does not include any property beyond that described in Schedule A, nor any right, title, interest, estate, or easement in any abutting street, road, avenue, alley, lane, right-of-way, body of water, or waterway, but does not modify or limit the extent that a right of access to and from the Land is to be insured by the Policy.
- d. "Mortgage": A mortgage, deed of trust, trust deed, security deed, or other real property security instrument, including one evidenced by electronic means authorized by law.
- e. "Policy": Each contract of title insurance, in a form adopted by the American Land Title Association, issued or to be issued by the Company pursuant to this Commitment.

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- f. "Proposed Amount of Insurance": Each dollar amount specified in Schedule A as the Proposed Amount of Insurance of each Policy to be issued pursuant to this Commitment.
- g. "Proposed Insured": Each person identified in Schedule A as the Proposed Insured of each Policy to be issued pursuant to this Commitment.
- h. "Public Records": The recording or filing system established under State statutes in effect at the Commitment Date under which a document must be recorded or filed to impart constructive notice of matters relating to the Title to a purchaser for value without Knowledge. The term "Public Records" does not include any other recording or filing system, including any pertaining to environmental remediation or protection, planning, permitting, zoning, licensing, building, health, public safety, or national security matters.
- i. "State": The state or commonwealth of the United States within whose exterior boundaries the Land is located. The term "State" also includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Guam.
- j. "Title": The estate or interest in the Land identified in Item 3 of Schedule A.
- 2. If all of the Schedule B, Part I-Requirements have not been met within the time period specified in the Commitment to Issue Policy, this Commitment terminates and the Company's liability and obligation end.
- 3. The Company's liability and obligation is limited by and this Commitment is not valid without:
 - a. the Notice;
 - b. the Commitment to Issue Policy;
 - c. the Commitment Conditions;
 - d. Schedule A:
 - e. Schedule B, Part I-Requirements;
 - f. Schedule B, Part II-Exceptions; and
 - g. a counter-signature by the Company or its issuing agent that may be in electronic form.

4. COMPANY'S RIGHT TO AMEND

The Company may amend this Commitment at any time. If the Company amends this Commitment to add a defect, lien, encumbrance, adverse claim, or other matter recorded in the Public Records prior to the Commitment Date, any liability of the Company is limited by Commitment Condition 5. The Company is not liable for any other amendment to this Commitment.

LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

- a. The Company's liability under Commitment Condition 4 is limited to the Proposed Insured's actual expense incurred in the interval between the Company's delivery to the Proposed Insured of the Commitment and the delivery of the amended Commitment, resulting from the Proposed Insured's good faith reliance to:
 - i. comply with the Schedule B, Part I-Requirements:
 - ii. eliminate, with the Company's written consent, any Schedule B, Part II-Exceptions; or
 - iii acquire the Title or create the Mortgage covered by this Commitment.
- b. The Company is not liable under Commitment Condition 5.a. if the Proposed Insured requested the amendment or had Knowledge of the matter and did not notify the Company about it in writing.
- c. The Company is only liable under Commitment Condition 4 if the Proposed Insured would not have incurred the expense had the Commitment included the added matter when the Commitment was first delivered to the Proposed Insured.
- d. The Company's liability does not exceed the lesser of the Proposed Insured's actual expense incurred in good faith and

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AMERICAN LAND TITLE ASSOCIATION described in Commitment Condition 5.a. or the Proposed Amount of Insurance.

- e. The Company is not liable for the content of the Transaction Identification Data, if any.
- f. The Company is not obligated to issue the Policy referred to in this Commitment unless all of the Schedule B, Part I-Requirements have been met to the satisfaction of the Company.
- g. The Company's liability is further limited by the terms and provisions of the Policy to be issued to the Proposed Insured.

6. LIABILITY OF THE COMPANY MUST BE BASED ON THIS COMMITMENT; CHOICE OF LAWAND CHOICE OF FORUM

- Only a Proposed Insured identified in Schedule A, and no other person, may make a claim under this Commitment.
- b. Any claim must be based in contract under the State law of the State where the Land is located and is restricted to the terms and provisions of this Commitment. Any litigation or other proceeding brought by the Proposed Insured against the Company must be filed only in a State or federal court having jurisdiction.
- c. This Commitment, as last revised, is the exclusive and entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter of this Commitment and supersedes all prior commitment negotiations, representations, and proposals of any kind, whether written or oral, express or implied, relating to the subject matter of this Commitment.
- d. The deletion or modification of any Schedule B, Part II-Exception does not constitute an agreement or obligation to provide coverage beyond the terms and provisions of this Commitment or the Policy.
- e. Any amendment or endorsement to this Commitment must be in writing.
- f. When the Policy is issued, all liability and obligation under this Commitment will end and the Company's only liability will be under the Policy.

7. IF THIS COMMITMENT IS ISSUED BY AN ISSUING AGENT

The issuing agent is the Company's agent only for the limited purpose of issuing title insurance commitments and policies. The issuing agent is not the Company's agent for closing, settlement, escrow, or any other purpose.

PRO-FORMA POLICY

The Company may provide, at the request of a Proposed Insured, a pro-forma policy illustrating the coverage that the Company may provide. A pro-forma policy neither reflects the status of Title at the time that the pro-forma policy is delivered to a Proposed Insured, nor is it a commitment to insure.

9. CLAIMS PROCEDURES

This Commitment incorporates by reference all Conditions for making a claim in the Policy to be issued to the Proposed Insured. Commitment Condition 9 does not modify the limitations of liability in Commitment Conditions 5 and 6.

10. CLASSACTION

ALL CLAIMS AND DISPUTES ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS COMMITMENT, INCLUDING ANY SERVICE OR OTHER MATTER IN CONNECTION WITH ISSUING THIS COMMITMENT, ANY BREACH OF A COMMITMENT PROVISION, OR ANY OTHER CLAIM OR DISPUTE ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE TRANSACTION GIVING RISE TO THIS COMMITMENT, MUST BE BROUGHT IN AN INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY. NO PARTY MAY SERVE AS PLAINTIFF, CLASS MEMBER, OR PARTICIPANT IN ANY CLASS OR REPRESENTATIVE PROCEEDING. ANY POLICY ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS COMMITMENT WILL CONTAIN A CLASS ACTION CONDITION.

11. ARBITRATION

The Policy contains an arbitration clause. All arbitrable matters when the Proposed Amount of Insurance is \$2,000,000 or less

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AMERICAN LAND TITLE ASSOCIATION may be arbitrated at the election of either the Company or the Proposed Insured as the exclusive remedy of the parties. A Proposed Insured may review a copy of the arbitration rules at http://www.alta.org/arbitration.

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Transaction Identification Data, for which the Company assumes no liability as set forth in Commitment Condition 5.e.:

Issuing Agent:

LAWRENCE COUNTY TITLE

Issuing Office:

811 11TH STREET, LAWRENCEVILLE, IL 62439

Issuing Office's ALTA® Registry ID:

0000949

Loan ID No.:

Commitment No.:

FAM249896

Issuing Office File No.:

FAM249896

Property Address:

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SCHEDULE A

1. Commitment Date: September 3, 2024 at 08:00 AM

2. Policy to be issued:

a. ALTA Owner's Policy 7/1/2021

Proposed Insured:

to be determined

Proposed Amount of Insurance:

The estate or interest to be insured:

Fee Simple

- 3. The estate or interest in the Land at the Commitment Date is: Fee Simple
- 4. The Title is, at the Commitment Date, vested in:

 Eric James Thomas Smith as to 1/8th interest; Jessica Ann Smith n/k/a Jessica Ann Smith Aldridge as to 1/8 interest; Betty Jean O'Brien as to ¼ interest; Deborah J. Lin as to ¼ interest; Cindy Lou Groves nka Cindy Lou Wilson as to ¼ interest.
- 5. The Land is described as follows:

The North Half (N $\frac{1}{2}$) of the Southeast Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{2}$); and the East Half (E $\frac{1}{2}$) of the Northwest Quarter (NW $\frac{1}{2}$) of the Southwest Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{2}$); and the North Half (N $\frac{1}{2}$) of the Northeast Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{2}$) of the Southwest Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{2}$); all in Section 7, Township 3 North, Range 13 West of the Second Principal Meridian, situated in the County of Lawrence, in the State of Illinois.

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SCHEDULE B, PART I - Requirements

All of the following Requirements must be met:

- 1. The Proposed Insured must notify the Company in writing of the name of any party not referred to in this Commitment who will obtain an interest in the Land or who will make a loan on the Land. The Company may then make additional Requirements or Exceptions.
- 2. Pay the agreed amount for the estate or interest to be insured.
- 3. Pay the premiums, fees, and charges for the Policy to the Company.
- 4. Documents satisfactory to the Company that convey the Title or create the Mortgage to be insured, or both, must be properly authorized, executed, delivered, and recorded in the Public Records.
- 5. ONCE TITLE COMPANY HAS ISSUED THE TITLE COMMITMENT, SEARCH FEES WILL BE INCURRED AND MUST BE PAID, REGARDLESS OF CANCELLATION. THE PARTY/ENTITY ORDERING TITLE WILL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT.
- 6. IF A DEED IS REQUESTED TO BE ORDERED BY TITLE COMPANY, AS A SERVICE, A FEE OF \$125.00 IS REQUIRED TO BE PAID IN ADVANCE TO INSUREAT LEAST A PORTION OF ATTORNEY BILL IS COVERED IN CASE OF CANCELLATION.

PLEASE NOTE THAT CHANGES REQUESTED AFTER DEED HAS BEEN PREPARED WILL INCUR ADDITIONAL CHARGES.

- 7. Title Company must be provided with the following information:
 - 1-Mantal status of Sellers and Buyers; name of spouse, if any
 - 2-Current addresses of Sellers and Buyers
 - 3-Phone numbers of Sellers and Buyers
 - 4-Addresses after sale of Sellers and Buyers
 - 5-Preferred title vesting of Buyers
- 8. NOTICE: Please be aware that due to the conflict between federal and state laws concerning the cultivation, distribution, manufacture or sale of marijuana, the Company is not able to close or insure any transaction involving Land that is associated with these activities.
- 9. Wire is required for Funds to close equal to or greater than \$50,000.00. All other funds must be in the form of a Cashier's Check.
- 10. A completed ALTA statement is required for the issuance of ALTA Owners and/or Loan Policies.
- 11. If Deborah Lin is signing as POA for Betty O'Brien, the original executed Power of Attorney must be placed of record in the Lawrence County Recorder's Office.

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SCHEDULE B (Continued)

SCHEDULE B, PART II - Exceptions

Some historical land records contain Discriminatory Covenants that are illegal and unenforceable by law. This Commitment and the Policy treat any Discriminatory Covenant in a document referenced in Schedule B as if each Discriminatory Covenant is redacted, repudiated, removed, and not republished or recirculated. Only the remaining provisions of the document will be excepted from coverage.

The Policy will not insure against loss or damage resulting from the terms and conditions of any lease or easement identified in Schedule A, and will include the following Exceptions unless cleared to the satisfaction of the Company:

- 1. Any defect, lien, encumbrance, adverse claim, or other matter that appears for the first time in the Public Records or is created, attaches, or is disclosed between the Commitment Date and the date on which all of the Schedule B, Part I-Requirements are met.
- 2. Rights or Claims of parties in possession not shown by the public records.
- 3. Easements or claims of easements, not shown by the public records.
- 4. The effect on the Title of an encumbrance, violation, variation, adverse circumstance, boundary line overlap, or encroachment (including an encroachment of an improvement across the boundary lines of the Land), but only if the encumbrance, violation, variation, adverse circumstance, boundary line overlap, or encroachment would have been disclosed by an accurate and complete land title survey of the Land.
- 5. Any lien or right to a lien, for services, labor, or material heretofore or hereafter furnished, imposed by law and not shown by the public records.
- 6. Taxes, or special assessments, if any, not shown as existing liens by the public records.
- 7. Any claim to (a) ownership of or rights to minerals and similar substances, including but not limited to ores, metals, coal, lignite, oil, gas, uranium, clay, rock, sand, and gravel located in, on, or under the Land or produced from the Land, whether such ownership or rights arise by lease, grant, exception, conveyance, reservation, or otherwise; and (b) any rights, privileges, immunities, rights of way, and easements associated therewith or appurtenant thereto, whether or not the interests or rights excepted in (a) or (b) appear in the Public Records.
- 8. Existing easements for public roads and public utilities now in use.
- 9. Taxes for the year 2024, which are a lien, although not yet due or payable. INFORMATIONAL NOTE: Taxes for the year 2023 appear DUE in the amount of \$1366.92. TAX ID # 04-000-117-00; 04-000-120-00, 04-000-125-00
- 10. Acreage, if any, shown in the legal description in Schedule A and/or on Schedule B is for information and identification purposes only, and in no way implies that the amount of acreage is insured.
- 11. Oil and Gas Lease dated March 26, 1953 and recorded June 6, 1953 in Lease Rec. 34 at page 153 made by Floyd Petty etal to H. Linten Vice. NOTE: For full particulars see record. Not followed further.
- 12. NOTE: Not all tracts have direct access. If tracts are sold seperately, easements will be required.
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