

Transcribed Excerpts from Deed of Land Sale to Meskwaki, July 13, 1857

This deed of Bargain and Sale made and executed the Thirteenth day of July AD 1857 by and between Philip Butler, David Butler and Isaac Butler, Guardian for William Butler and Ozias Butler, Minors all of Tama County and State of Iowa ...

... and James W. Grimes, Governor of the State of Iowa and his successors in office, in trust for the following named persons Indians and their heirs forever viz Math a Nuh (sic), Wau ka mo (sic), Chalk a mah (sic), Ma ta U a quah (sic), Pot a ca to (sic) of the Second part. Witnesseth that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of One Thousand Dollars ...

... the Certain tract or parcel of Real Estate. Situated in the County of Tama of Iowa, to wit the west half of the SouthEast County of Tama of Iowa, to wit the west half of the SouthEast fourth of Section Number thirty (30), Township Number eighty-three (83), North of Range fifteen (15), west of the 5 P.M., containing Eighty acres ...

In witness whereof the Said parties of the first part hereunto Set their hands and Seal the day and year first above written.

In the presence of
Phillip Butler, Allen Dingee
David Butler, State of Iowa
Isaac Butler, County of Tama, Guardian of William & Ozias Butler, Minors ...

July 13, 1857

The County Court of Tama County hereby approves of the sale of the above land by Isaac Butler guardian for the Infants William & Ozias Butler.

Witness my hand and Seal of Said Court this 13th day of July A.D. 1857.

**Correct spelling of Meskwaki names as featured in the deed: Me de ne a, W aka mow a, Tta ke e me wa, Me te l ge a, Be ti ko to wa*