

U.S. Land Office  
Cherlin Kansas } Contest to

J. O. Dawson }  
A. H. <sup>W.</sup> Barton }

Hon. Rep. & Rec. Gentlemen  
I hereby certify that I have been  
employed in behalf of the contestant  
in the above case. And I hereby  
Enter my appearance as atty  
for the contestant

J. J. King & Co  
Atty's at Law

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Affidavit to be Filed Before Contest of Homestead Entry.

U. S. LAND OFFICE,  
OBERLIN, KANSAS.

PERSONALLY appeared before me, Register

Mich 15 1887, of the Land Office, at Oberlin Kansas

J O Larson

of Reynolds County, State of Kansas, who upon

his oath says: That he is well acquainted with the tract of land embraced in the homestead entry of A H

Larson

No. 25-24 made March 27 1885 upon the W 1/2 NE 4

W 1/2 SE Sec 11 3 32 south of Range 32 west-

and knows the present condition of the same; also that the said

A H Larson

has wholly abandoned said tract; that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry; that

said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law. That he has never established

A Residence on said land since making  
Said entry

and this the said contestant is ready to prove at such time and place as may be named by the Register and Receiver for a hearing in the  
said case; and he therefore asks to be allowed to prove said allegations, and that said homestead entry, No. 25-24

may be declared canceled and forfeited to the United States—he, the said contestant, paying the expenses of such hearing. Affiant fur-  
ther states that he has made diligent inquiry in the neighborhood of the land to learn the whereabouts of said defendant, and that per-  
sonal service cannot be made on him in the State of Kansas, and asks that service be allowed by publication.

J O Larson  
W E

Also appeared at the same time and place... *A. P. Peterson* ...and...

who, being duly sworn, depose and say: That they are acquainted with the tract described in the within affidavit of...

*J. O. Laursen* ...and know from personal observation that the statements therein made are true.

*A. P. Peterson*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

*15<sup>th</sup>*

day of

*March*

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*Frank Brown*

*Reg.*

AFFIDAVITS OF CONTEST.

H. E. No. *2524*

BY

*A. H. Clarendon*

CONTESTED BY

*J. O. Laursen*

Date *March 15, 1887*

Hearing *May 26, 1887*

*Admitted  
to prosecution*

*Clarendon*

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