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***19-2-00705-29***

**Grantors:** (1) William G. Hulbert, Jr. & Clare M. Hulbert, h/w  
(2) William Hulbert Mill Co.  
(3) Martin L. Peterson & Renee J. Peterson, h/w

**Grantee:** James A. Gilstrap

**Legal Description:** Lot 205, Cascade River Park Div. 1 (Additional Description on page 2)

**Assessor's Property Tax Parcel or Account No.:** P63758

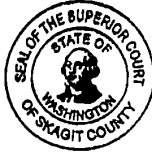
**Reference Nos of Documents Assigned or Released:** N/A

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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR SKAGIT COUNTY**

JAMES A. GILSTRAP, an unmarried person

Plaintiff

vs.

WILLIAM G. HULBERT, Jr. & CLARE M. HULBERT, h/w (or their heirs, successors and devisees if deceased); WILLIAM HULBERT MILL CO.; MARTIN L. PETERSON & RENEE J. PETERSON, h/w; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY INTEREST IN OR TO THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY

Defendants

No 19-2-00705-29

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THIS MATTER having come on ex parte; an order of default having been entered against all of the defendants; now, therefore, the Court makes the following findings and conclusions and decree, to wit:

**I. Findings & Conclusions**

1.1 Plaintiff is a duly-authorized Washington nonprofit corporation. It is the managing entity for a residential community located in Skagit County, Washington and known as Cascade River Park.

1.2 The property that is the subject hereof is located within Cascade River Park, and is described as follows:

Lot 205, "Cascade River Park Div. No. 1", as per plat recorded in Volume 8 of Plats, pages 54-59 inclusive, records of Skagit County, Washington.

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- 1.3 Defendants William G. Hulbert, Jr. & Clare M. Hulbert are believed to be deceased.
- 1.4 William Hulbert Mill Co. is a defunct Washington corporation.
- 1.5 Defendants Martin L. Peterson & Renee J. Peterson are believed to be husband and wife. Their residency is unknown to Plaintiff. They may be deceased.
- 1.6 Defendant Cascade River Development Co. was a Washington partnership. It appears that as of April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1974 the partners thereof were William P. Joslin; Calvin M. Hendrick; Don W. Elton; Ruskin, Fisher & Associates, Inc.; and Holiday Land Co. It is unknown as to whether any of these persons or entities are alive or otherwise still exist, or who their respective heirs, successors, assigns or devisees may be.
- 1.7 There may be other persons who claim some right, title or interest in the subject property, but the identities and whereabouts of such persons, if any, are unknown.
- 1.8 At some indeterminate time, it appears that Cascade River Development Co. sold various parcels in Cascade River Park to various persons. The vendor's interests in these contracts were assigned by Cascade River Development Co. to Defendant William G. Hulbert, Jr., under a Deed and Seller's Assignment of Real Estate Contracts, dated April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1974 and recorded under Skagit County Auditor's File No. 799153.
- 1.9 Subsequently, Mr. Hulbert assigned the said Contracts to William Hulbert Mill Co., through a Deed and Seller's Assignment of Real Estate Contracts, dated June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1974 and recorded under Skagit County Auditor's File No. 802471.
- 1.10 Then, Mr. Hulbert, this time along with his wife Clare M. Hulbert executed another Deed and Seller's Assignment of Real Estate Contracts, dated September 15<sup>th</sup>, 1978, and recorded under Skagit County Auditor's File No. 887667. It is presumed that this conveyance was intended to transfer Ms. Hulbert's interest in the Contracts, if any, along with that of her husband.
- 1.11 One of the contracts that was assigned by the various instruments described above, and which was concerned with the subject real estate, had as vendees Martin and Renee Peterson. No fulfillment deed appears to exist of record, and it is unknown whether this contract was paid off or not. It appears the Petersons have abandoned his interest in the said property.
- 1.12 Plaintiff was the grantee under a Quitclaim Deed, dated September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1997 and recorded under Skagit County Auditor's File No. 200003240079. The said Deed was executed by one Nicole Marie Paul, as grantor. Ms. Paul acquired whatever interest she had in the subject property from Cascade River Community Club, via a quitclaim deed dated July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1992 and recorded under Skagit County Auditor's File No. 200003240078. No instrument appears to exist of record showing how Cascade River Community Club acquired whatever interest it had in the subject property at the time of the execution of the said Deed to Ms. Paul.
- 1.13 It would have been the intention of Cascade River Development Co., the Hulberts, or William Hulbert Mill Co., as the case may be, to transfer to Plaintiff any lots in Cascade River Park owned by any of them; however, no instrument to that effect appears to have been executed or recorded.

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1 1.14 Plaintiff has been in actual, exclusive, uninterrupted, open, and notorious possession of  
2 the subject property for at least ten years prior to the commencement of this lawsuit.

3 1.15 This Court has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter hereof, and venue is  
4 proper.

5 **II. Decree**

6 WHEREFORE, IT IS IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED AS FOLLOWS:

7 3.1 Title in and to the subject property shall be, and hereby is, quieted exclusively in Plaintiff,  
8 as against any of the Defendants or their respective heirs, successors, assigns or devisees.

9 3.2 Plaintiff shall bear its own costs.

10 DATED this 9 day of September, 2019.

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13 JUDGE/ COMMISSIONER  
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15 Presented by:

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17 CRAIG SJOSTROM #21149  
18 Attorney for Plaintiff  
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