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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

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Eligibility Requirements;

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 1988 of at least 40 acres of Iowa farmland.
2. Present owner must be related to a person who owned the land at least 100 years ago.
3. Application must be notarized and submitted by June 1, 1988.

- One Century farm marker per farm will be furnished by Iowa Farm Bureau. Additional markers may be purchased upon request.
- One Century Farm Certificate will be awarded for each legal farm owner by Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship. Additional certificates may be purchased.
- A state-wide Century Farms Award Ceremony is held at the Iowa State Fair every year. You will receive notice as to the time and date of the ceremony in July. If you should have any questions, please call this office at (515) 281-5323.

Phone _____ area _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Present Farm Owner Richard F. & Bonnie L. Ferguson

Address of Century 1 _____

R.R., P.O. or Street _____ TOWN _____

Township _____ Century Farm County Jasper

Number of acres in farm at present 120

Date your ancestors first purchased this land Oct. 22, 1877

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation Jasper County Tribune--Colfax

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) Jasper County--Sec. 27, Twp. 80,

Range 21 40 Acres - NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$

40 Acres - NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$

40 Acres - NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$

List all ancestors who owned this land, beginning with original:

NAME

RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER

Isaiah M. Leighner, Sarah Patterson Leighner--(Step) Great Grandfather & Great Grandmother.

Nathan E. & Katherine Patterson - Grandparents

Elizabeth Patterson Ferguson - Mother

Harold, Mary, & Richard Ferguson - Heirs of Elizabeth' estate

NOTE: Request for additional information on reverse side.

APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM MARKER AND CERTIFICATE

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Information you may be able to add to this form, while not essential to Century Farm Certification, will be most valuable to future historians. The questions below are offered only as a guide, so please feel free to add any other data, especially family or pioneer stories concerning the farm and area around it.

From whom was the farm purchased? George B. McConnell

How many acres were in the original parcel? 60

What was the cost of land per acre? Unknown

Where was the first owner born? Unknown

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Unknown

Was this a homestead? no

Did the first owner farm the land? Assume yes.

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? Unknown

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? No

When was the present home built? Exact date unknown. Built by grandparents.

What are the farm's crops or products? Grain, Hay, Cattle

I (we), Richard F. Ferguson and Bonnie L. Ferguson
being duly sworn, depose and say that the statements on this application are true and correct with regard to the land described above.

Richard F. Ferguson Bonnie L. Ferguson
(Signature(s) of Applicants(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25 day of May 319 1988 3.

My Commission expires
10-31-86



Sharon R. Padgett
Notary Public in and for the

County of Jasper State of Iowa

Send to: Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship
Century Farms Program
Wallace Building
Des Moines, IA 50319