

Whereas ~~was~~ the undersigned, parties of the first part, have, at several separate times, ^{located &} settled in the Town or Village of Lawrence, in Council District Number One Kansas Territory. And Whereas under the present pre-emption laws of the United States we cannot secure an immediate title to the lots on which we have located, ~~and~~ to the land situate within the limits of said Town of Lawrence, ~~and~~ being desirous to secure a title in fee simple to said lots ~~and~~ lands. And Whereas William H. R. Lykins of said Town District ~~and~~ Territory, party of the second part, in order to secure the aforesaid title, covenants ~~and~~ agrees to locate a section or six hundred and forty acres of land now owned by him the said Lykins, subject only to the claims of the undersigned occupants, and then convey said lots ~~and~~ secure to the said parties of the first part a good ~~and~~ valid title to the same, and also certain interests ^{as} mentioned in a proposition made by the said Lykins and others to the Lawrence Association on the nineteenth day of March A.D. 1855 - now - - - - -

I know all Men by these Presents, That for and in consideration of securing title to the lands as aforesaid, we hereby relinquish quit-claim ~~and~~ release all our right title ~~and~~ interest unconditionally ~~and~~ individually to and in every ~~and~~ all lots and lands belonging to us by virtue of settling upon lots situate in said Town, ~~and~~ upon said section of land situate ~~and~~ described as follows:

unto the said Lykins his heirs ~~and~~ assigns. And we further covenant ~~and~~ agree with the said Lykins that the aforesaid relinquishment transfer and quit-claim