

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

Statement of: Britney Riche Ebony Robinson

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This statement consists of 3 pages each signed by me, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have willfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated the 6th day of January 2021.

Signed: Ms. Britney Robinson

Signature witnessed by: Mr. Carlton Adams

STATEMENT:

I am the above named person and I live at the address given with my family who consists of my mother, father and brother. I have lived here for my entire life.

Recently my mother Gena Robinson wrote to the Commission of Inquiry into Historic Land Losses relating to a piece of property on the western side of our house in Plaices Point Road. The property in question is ocean front facing the Great Sound and consists of a small beach with a building on it.

In July 1946 my great grandfather Heman Montgomery Gascome Smith acquired the land from Adelia Ann Robinson. That was his aunt. I am aware that he posted notice of his ownership of the property in the Royal Gazette. As far as I know, he was not challenged by anyone over the ownership of this property. However, in 1947 Amelia Chiappa took my great grandfather to court accusing him of taking possession of her southern portion of land and for damages consisting of having placed soil on the land.

My great grandfather lost the case and the land. My mother Gena used to ask her grandfather Newbold Smith why we did not own waterfront property when all the other property owners in the neighborhood did. He would become upset and did not want to discuss the subject. My grandfather Newbold Smith passed away in 2011. The next year in 2012 my mother reached out to Walton Brown as there were talks of creating a commission to look into land grabs, and she had just purchased our property from my grandparents. My mother began to research the background of our property ownership but did not make any meaningful progress.

My mother and I began to do further research after Ms. Judith Chambers met us and my mother showed her the original deed of gift for the property in question. Ms. Chambers, my mother and I carried out extensive research and we were able to obtain a large number of documents in support of our cases which is that my great grandfather was the owner of the land referred to earlier and that the loss of it was the result of a judgement in the supreme court based in part on a misleading document.

My intention is to show that the document and others which support our case to the commission when we are able to appear before them. I have made a powerpoint presentation for that purpose which will illustrate in some detail what took place resulting in the loss of my great grandfather's land.

Witness: Britney Robinson

The forgone statement was recorded by the undersigned on Wednesday, 6th January 2021. Read over to and signed by the maker as correct.

Chief Investigator: Mr. Carlton Adams