STATE OF INDIANA, ALLEN COUNTY, ss:

THE UNDERSIGNED, applicant for LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP on the person and estate of

Elizabeth Ward, aged 5 years, Feby 2, 1887

, aged years, , 188

Nathaniel Ward, aged 3 years, Aug 15, 1887

, aged years, , 188

, aged years, , 188

, aged years, , 188

minor heirs of Dora Ward and Henry Ward, late of Allen County, deceased,

represents that said minors reside in Allen County, in the State of Indiana, ~~and that said Wards own no Real Estate, but have an interest as the~~ life insurance Policy on the ~~are joint owners of Real Estate situate in~~ County, of the probable value of life of their deceased Father Henry Ward the sum of which the undersigned is unable to state, that the ~~forfeiture of the same will have to be Removed by the Court. The Dollars, which will not ammount for the money~~ whole found policy insurance due is $2740.00. That it was the express wish of their Parents found Minors that ~~Father J Ferguson should fulfil the Guardianship upon himself but that Dollars. Said wards also own personal property of the~~ said Ferguson at that time refused to accept the appointment and thereupon the Court Board mother of said Minors probable value of appointed the affiant as guardian Dollars. by the last will and testament which was duly Probated in this Court. She now requests said Appointment and requests the Appointment of William J Ferguson.

State of Indiana, Allen County, ss:

the above applicant, being duly sworn, says that the material facts contained in the above statement and application for Letters of Guardianship, on the persons and estates of the persons therein named, are correct and true, as he verily believes, and further saith not

Richard M Hays

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 12 day of September 1887

George W Loag. Clerk A. C. C. Allen County.

Know all Men, That we, William J Ferguson Jacob J Kern and Edward A K Hackett

are bound unto the State of Indiana in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, for the payment of which we bind ourselves jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed and dated, this 13th day of September 1887

If the above bound William J Ferguson will faithfully discharge the duties as GUARDIAN of the person and property of Elizabeth Ward and Nathaniel Ward minor heirs of Dora & Henry Ward, deceased, then this obligation is to be void, else to remain in force.

W J Ferguson [Seal.]

Jacob J Kern [Seal.]

Edward A K Hackett [Seal.]

Approved by the Court this 13 day of Sept 1887

Geo W Loag, Clerk A. C. C.

State of Indiana, Allen County, ss:

I, William J Ferguson swear that I will honestly and faithfully discharge the duties of my trust as GUARDIAN of Elizabeth Ward and Nathaniel Ward minor heirs of Dora & Henry Ward deceased, according to law, so help me God.

W J Ferguson Guardian.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, 13 day of Sept 1887

George W Loag Clerk A. C. C.

State of Indiana, Allen County:

I, Jacob J Kern swear that I am worth, over and above my indebtedness, in real estate Five Thousand Dollars, as I believe, so help me God.

Jacob J Kern

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the 13 day of Sept 1887

Geo W Loag Clerk A. C. C.

State of Indiana, Allen County:

I, Edward A K Hackett swear that I am worth, over and above my indebtedness, in real estate Five Thousand Dollars, as I believe, so help me God.

Edward A K Hackett

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13 day of Sept 1887

George W Loag Clerk A. C. C.

LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP.

State of Indiana, Allen County, ss:

I, ~~WILLIS D. MAIER~~ GEO W LOAG, Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County, certify that William J Ferguson of said County, has been appointed guardian of the person and property of Elizabeth Ward and Nathaniel Ward minor heirs of Dora & Henry Ward late of said County, deceased, and has qualified as such.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Court this 13 day of September A. D. 1887

George W Loag, Clerk.

Filed and recorded Sept 13 1887

Clerk Allen Circuit Court.