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STATE OF MICHIGAN

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF LAKE

FRANCIS M. ROCKWELL AND VERNICE B. ROCKWELL, husband and wife, and ANNETTE HACK, Plaintiffs

VS.

File No. 87-2688-CH

TOWNSHIP OF PEACOCK, Lake County, Michigan, MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, O & A ELECTRIC. MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, ROBERT A. BOWMAN, STATE TREASURER FOR THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, LOUIS GHENT, CHAIRMAN, LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS, LAKE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION (acting for and on behalf of the Lake County Drain Commissioner) VIRGINIA MILLER, MONROE MILLER AND GERTRUDE WESTRA, JAMES SHEEHAN, DANIEL BOZEK AND JOANNE BOZEK. JOHN BRUSSEE AND THOMAS BRUSSEE, ARTHUR S. DAROVIC, HAROLD TOLBERT AND CHRISTINE TOLBERT. NEAL ROGERS AND SUSAN K. ROGERS. MYRNA HOUSEHOLDER, JAMES HOUSEHOLDER. FRANK NUNEMAKER AND ELIZABETH NUNEMAKER. busband and wife, their unknown heirs, legatees, devisees and successors in title,

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Defendants

JUDGMENT OF VACATION (pursuant to MCL 560.221 et seq)

This matter having come before the Court upon the petition of the Plaintiffs requesting vacation of a deadend and unopened street situated within Peacock Township, Lake County, Michigan and described as "Oak Averue" within the plat of Wolf Lake Subdivision, Section 26, Township 19 North, Range 13 West;

the Court having received the proof of publication and prrof of service as required under the Michigan Subdivision Control Act and having considered the testimony of ditnesses offered on behalf of the objecting Township and also having received and considered the Briefs of the respective counsel. Including a Brief offered for and on behalf of the State Treasurer and Department of Transportation. Based upon the evidence and Briefs, the Court makes the following findings of fact and declaration:

- 1. That the street in question has not been opened or used as a public street and there has been no expenditure of public funds by any governmental agency either for the opening or the maintenance of the said Oak Avenue.
- 2. That the Plaintiff-petitioners have encroached upor Oak Avenue and have used a portion of the said street (approximately the north 30 feet thereof) for lawn and private driveway in connection with their adjoining dwelling house for a period of time in excess of 40 years (since 1946).
- dedicated in 1911 and that the objecting Township had not, since the time of dedication over the past 67 years, accepted the dedication of the subject street and that this delay and inaction exceeds the period established under the 40-Year Marketable Title Act and is well beyond the 15-year limitation regarding adverse possession.

4. That no objection was made by any of the private lot owners within the plat of Wolf Lake Subdivision and there was no evidence that the subject street is of use either for ingress or egress, but that it deadends at private implaited property also belonging to the Plaintiff-petitioners.

WHEPEFORE, upon motion of Attorney Ronald C. Wilson and as set forth in the Opinion of this Court, IT IS GROERED AND ADJUDGED that Oak Avenue within the plat of Wolf Lake Subdivision, being the said street lying between Blocks 7 and 9 of the said plat be and hereby is vacated and title to the said street shall be vested in the titleholders of record as to the lots abutting Oak Avenue on each side, and a copy of this Judgment shall be recorded with the Register of Deeds Office for Lake County affirming the vacation of the said street and annexing one half of the street to each of the abutting lots (to this extent, the north half of Oak Avenue shall be attached to and included with the title to Lot 1 of Block 9 and the south half of Oak Avenue shall be annexed to and included with the description of Lot 20 of Block 7 of the plat of Wolf Lake Subdivision.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Plaintiffs shall prepare a new plat of that portion of the subdivision affected by this Judgment, pursuant to Section 229 of the Subdivision Contro. Act [MCL 56J.299; MSA 26.430(229)]. A copy of the proposed plat revision is attached hereto, and following the entry of this Judgment, five copies of the new plat together with a copy of

this Judgment is to be filed with the Department of Commerce, and wher the said plat is approved, it shall then be filed with the Register of Deeds Office for Lake County.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that this Judgment shall not affect the existence of any easement for public utilities which may touch or affect Oar figure and that the Plaintiffs shall record a copy of this Judgment within the office of the Register of Deeds within 30 days after the entry hereof and file copies of the same with the governmental agencies as defined in Section 229 of the said Subdivision Control Act.

Dated: December , 1989

Assistant Attorney General

Attorney for Peacock Township

Attorney for Petitioners