

**Robbed by Kern County Sheriff's Deputies  
Testimony by Alexandra Wilson**

**§ 8 – We began improving the property  
and helped a local friend  
claim 2233 Angler Ave. on 5-1-2016**

## We began weed abatement on 5-1-2016:

For several days we performed a thorough job pulling up foxtail grasses, removing shrubs and invasive plants, and rebuilding the rock plateau. **Local friend Ms. Rachel Smith** assisted the entire time, just as she had assisted with our yard.



## Rebuilt and cleaned the rock terrace:

The top photo shows after most of the grasses have been cleared. The bottom photos show the terrace, after being rebuilt, from two different angles. Our friend Ms. Rachel Smith is seen hauling rocks in the bottom photo.



## Drastic improvement:



**Above:** Piles of dried grasses and wooden debris are piled to the left and to the right. Bamboo fencing purchased by Ms. Smith lies rolled up on the ground in front of the terrace.

## Community Helping Community:

Many community members were looking forward to the community garden *and* wildharvesting cooperative ([www.KernRiverCoop.com](http://www.KernRiverCoop.com)) Kevin and I were developing, which is a big part of the reason we'd been receiving so much community support (*entertainment centers, office supplies, refrigerator, beds, paintings, and other items shown throughout the previous pages*). Due to the fact that **Rachel (Ms. Smith)** loves gardening *and* had become a good friend, we all agreed that helping her **claim** 2233 Angler Ave. would be an excellent idea. We collectively decided to add some privacy fencing around her property, restore and repaint our shared fence, and to put a gate in the fence to connect the properties. This would allow us all to be able to garden an entire strip of the block – *from Commercial Ave. to Angler Ave.* – and produce a great abundance of organic food!

We figured that if any of the **record owners** *did* decide to reclaim their former properties, they would appreciate the fact that the properties were well cared for and improved. After all – who *wouldn't* want a luxurious garden instead of a bunch of dried foxtail grass?!



## We added a gate and a “No Trespassing” sign:

In accordance with **2 CCP § 325(a)** “For the purpose of constituting an **adverse possession** by a person claiming **title**, not founded upon a written instrument, judgment or decree, land is deemed to have been **possessed** and **occupied** in the following cases only: (1) Where is has been protected by a substantial enclosure. (2) Where it has been usually cultivated or **improved,**” on May 5<sup>th</sup> we installed a gate and *no trespassing* sign in front of 2233 Angler Ave. The sign was purchased from L & M Lumber.



**Rachel filed a Declaration of Claim  
at the Kern County Assessor's Office on 5-9-2016:**

**Local friend Will Rosenberg** drove Rachel, Kevin, and me to the **Kern County Assessor's Office in Bakersfield**, where Ms. Smith filed a Declaration of Claim on 2233 Angler Ave. just as Kevin had done on 9-4-2015 for 2232 Commercial Ave. (pages 41-44).



**Above:** Rachel is thrilled that this is possible; Kevin and were grateful to be able to help this lifelong resident who has a kind heart so she could have a home and a place to a home and a place to grow for the first time in her life.

Page 1 of 2 of Ms. Smith's claim:



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DECLARATION OF CLAIM OF ADVERSE POSSESSION

I Rachel R. Smith declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that I currently have possession of property known as 3233 Angler (a portion of ) APN 263-352-1174 intend to be assessed for the property in order to perfect my claim of adverse possession. I took possession of the property on 5-1-16, and my possession of the property is of the following type:

personal residence community gardening educational  
with with power, or a community service

The legal action I have taken to further my claim of adverse possession include the following: (for example: hired an attorney, filed court action, hearing date set, etc.)

Action	Date
<u>weed abatement/fire</u>	<u>5-1,57-16</u>
<u>hazard removal/fix</u>	<u>5-9-16</u>
<u>ceiling leaks filed</u>	<u>5-9-16</u>
<u>with county assessor</u>	<u>5-9-16</u>

I understand this document shall be kept and maintained by the Assessor as a public record and shall be open to public inspection. I also understand the Assessor will send a copy of this declaration by certified mail to the current assessed owner(s) of this property.

[Signature]  
Claimant's Signature

5-1-16  
Date

Rachel R. Smith  
Claimant's Name (Print)



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Pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 610, amended January 1, 1983, SB 1340, Chapter 395, the undersigned makes claim to the lands described herein and desires to have his or her name inserted with that of the assessee.

In support of this claim one of the following documents is attached:

- 1) A certified copy of a deed, judgement or other instrument that creates or legally verifies the claimant's ownership interest in the property, or
- 2) A certified copy of a document creating the claimant's security interest in the property, or
- 3) A declaration, under penalty of perjury, that the claimant currently has possession of the property and intends to be assessed for the property in order to perfect a claim of adverse possession.

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Assessor's Parcel Number: 263-352-11-4

Legal Description: [Optional. Attach separate sheets as needed.]

Date Interest Acquired: 5-1-16

Claimant's Mailing Address: 2233 angler Lake Isabelle  
Ca 93240

Claimant's Telephone No: 760 417-0000 Date: 5-1-16

Claimant's Name (Print): RACHEL R. SMITH

Claimant's Signature: *Rachel R. Smith*

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE: 1112 Throckmorton Avenue / Bakersfield, CA 93301-4879 Telephone (805) 859-1340  
RECORDER'S OFFICE: 1150 Throckmorton Avenue  
HALL OF RECORDS: 1600 Chester Avenue / Bakersfield, CA 93301-5031 Telephone (805) 859-0400

