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Iowa Department of Agriculture
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Iowa Farm Bureau Federation

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Secretary

CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

Eligibility Requirements:

- 1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 1977 of at least 80 acres of the original Iowa farmland.
2. Present owner must be related to a person who owned the land at least 100 years ago.
3. Application must be notarized and submitted by December 31, 1976. June 1, 1977

One Century farm marker per farm will be furnished by Iowa Farm Bureau. Additional markers may be purchased upon request.
One Century Farm Certificate will be awarded per legal farm owner by Iowa Department of Agriculture. Additional certificates may be requested.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Present Farm Owner Zeitler, James C.

Address RR #1 Douds, Iowa 52551
R.R. P.O. State Zip

Address of Farm, if different from above
R.R. P.O. State Zip

Township Chequest County Van Buren

Number of acres in the farm at present 231

Date of land purchase by Ancestor first owning this farm January 1, 1846

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement) Section 2 Twp 69 N range 11 West

List all Ancestors who owned this land, beginning with original:

Table with 2 columns: NAME and RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER. Rows include Truitt Elias (Relationship unknown), Matherson, Jesse (Relationship unknown), Joshua P Brooks (Great, Great, Grand Father), George W Brooks (Great Grand Father), and Ella L Brooks, Zeitler (Grand Mother).

NOTE: Request for additional information on reverse side.

APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM MARKER AND CERTIFICATE

Information you may be able to add to this form, while not essential to Century Farm Certification, will be most valuable to future historians. The questions below are offered only as a guide, so please feel free to add any other data, especially family or pioneer stories concerning the farm and area around it.

From whom was the farm purchased? \_\_\_\_\_

How many acres were in the original parcel? \_\_\_\_\_

What was the cost of land per acre? \_\_\_\_\_

Where was the first owner born? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? \_\_\_\_\_

Was this a homestead? \_\_\_\_\_

Did the first owner farm the land? \_\_\_\_\_

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? \_\_\_\_\_

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? \_\_\_\_\_

When was the present home built? \_\_\_\_\_

What are the farm's crops or products? \_\_\_\_\_

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation \_\_\_\_\_

I (~~we~~), James C. Zeitler  
being duly sworn, depose and say that the statements on this application are true and correct with regard to the land described above.

James C. Zeitler  
(Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th. day of May 19 77.

My Commission expires \_\_\_\_\_  
S. P. Jensen  
Notary Public in and for the \_\_\_\_\_

September 30th. 1979  
County of Van Buren State of Iowa

Send to: Iowa Department of Agriculture  
Century Farms Program  
State House, Des Moines, Iowa 50319