

**1876-06-28 Hilchkanum Affidavit for Homestead Application  
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**Transcription, handwritten portions in larger, bold font:**

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**Homestead**

[AFFIDAVIT]

Land office at **Olympia W.T.**  
**June 28<sup>th</sup> 1876**

I, **Bill Hilchkanum** of **King County, W.T.** having filed my application No. **2554** for an entry under **the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 3, 1875**, do solemnly swear that **I am an indian formerly of the Duwamish Tribe; That I was born in the United States; That I have abandoned my relations with that tribe and adopted the habits and pursuits of civilized life, am a married man and over 21 years of age.** that said application, No. **2554**, is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation; that said entry is made for my own exclusive benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the benefit or use of any other person or persons whomsoever; and that I have not heretofore had the benefit of the homestead laws.

**Witness JT Brown Register**

**his**  
**Bill X Hilchkanum**  
**Mark**

Sworn to and subscribed this **28<sup>th</sup>** day  
of **June 1876**, before

(signed) **JT Brown**  
**Register** of the Land Office

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HOMESTEAD.

[AFFIDAVIT.]

Land Office at Olympia W.T.

June 28<sup>th</sup> 1876

I, Bill Hitchmanum of King County, W.T.

having filed my application, No. 2554 for an entry under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 3, 1875, Section No. 2480, Revised Statutes of the United States, do solemnly swear

that I am an indian formerly of the Duwamish tribe, that I was born in the United States; that I have abandoned my relations with that tribe and adopted the habits and pursuits of civilized life, am a married man and over 21 years of age

that said application, No. 2554, is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation; that said entry is made for my own exclusive benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the benefit or use of any other person or persons whomsoever; and that I have not heretofore had the benefit of the homestead laws.

Witness  
J. T. Brown  
Register

Bill Hitchmanum  
made  
28<sup>th</sup> day

Sworn to and subscribed this of June 1876, before

J. T. Brown  
Register of the Land Office.