

**1876-06-28 Hilchkanum Homestead Application  
Transcription, Explanation and Photocopy**

**Transcription of June 28, 1876 Application (Correction shown on next page):**

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**Homestead**

APPLICATION  
No. **2554**

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

I, **Bill Hilchkanum** of **King County, Washington Territory** do hereby apply to enter under **the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 3, 1875**, the **Lots 2:3:5** of Section **6** in Township **24 North** of Range **6 East (??)** containing **72<sup>10</sup>** acres.

**Witness JT Brown Register**

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

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

I **JT Brown**, REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE, do hereby certify that the above application is for Surveyed Lands of the class which the applicant is legally entitled to enter **Act of Congress of March 3, 1875**, and that there is no prior, valid, adverse right to the same.

**(\$2<sup>50</sup> per acre)**

(signed) **JT Brown**  
Register

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## **Explanation of January 12, 1883 Correction:**

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There is a January 12, 1883 handwritten correction to this document, inserted at a 45 degree angle to the printed text. It is very difficult to read the correction, but these facts are discernable:

1. The correction adds lot 1 to the original entry lots 2, 3, and 5. This is consistent with the Hilchkanum affidavit on December 4, 1879, the Hilchkanum Petition on October 24, 1882, and the homestead proof documents in 1883 and 1884. These documents are available on this website.
  2. The correction refers to a letter of December 15, 1882 as a basis for the correction. We do not have this letter.
  3. The acreage of the homestead was increased from 72<sup>10</sup> acres to 85.20 acres.
  4. The correction was signed by Bill Hilchkanum and George Tibbetts.
  5. A horizontal handwritten note at the bottom of the page indicates the addition of lot 1, with the initials D.T.P.
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HOMESTEAD

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June 28th, 1876

I, Bill & Hilch Karum of King County

Washington Territory do hereby apply to enter under Section 2289,  
Revised Statutes of the United States, the Lot 2, 3 & 5

of Section 12 in Township 24 North of

Range 6 East containing 72 1/2 acres.

Bill & Hilch Karum  
mark

Land Office at Olympia W.T.

June 28th, 1876

REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE.

I do hereby certify that the above application is for Surveyed Lands of the  
class which the applicant is legally entitled to enter under Section 2289,  
Revised Statutes of the United States, and that there is no prior, valid,  
adverse right to the same.

(Adverse right to the same.)  
200 pieces

J. F. Brown

Register.

Allowed to add Lot 1-

000

*Handwritten notes and signatures:*  
- "City of Seattle" (written vertically)  
- "Dec" (written vertically)  
- "Bill & Hilch Karum" (written diagonally)  
- "King County" (written diagonally)  
- "June 28th, 1876" (written diagonally)  
- "Section 12" (written diagonally)  
- "Township 24 North" (written diagonally)  
- "Range 6 East" (written diagonally)  
- "72 1/2 acres" (written diagonally)  
- "Bill & Hilch Karum" (written diagonally)  
- "Land Office at Olympia W.T." (written diagonally)  
- "June 28th, 1876" (written diagonally)  
- "REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE" (written diagonally)  
- "I do hereby certify..." (written diagonally)  
- "Adverse right to the same." (written diagonally)  
- "200 pieces" (written diagonally)  
- "Allowed to add Lot 1-" (written diagonally)  
- "000" (written diagonally)