Court File No. 31-2026-PR-00124
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
MOUNTRAIL COUNTY,
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
In the Matter of the Estate of
Erwin P. Rakstad, Deceased.

NOTICE OF HEARING OF PETITION FOR FORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE OF PROPOSED DISTRIBUTIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ernest K. Rakstad has filed herein a Petition for Probate of Will and Appointment of Personal Representative.

In the matter of the Estate of the above-named, whose last residence was in the County of McHenry, State of Illinois.

The assets of the Estate consist of, in addition to other property, surface and mineral interests in the following described real estate:

Mineral Interests Only:

Township 156 North, Range 90 West

Section 9: Lot 1, W ½ NW ¼, NW ¼ SW ¼

Section 9: That portion of the lake bed in the SW ¼ of Section 9 riparian to Lot 1

Section 9: Lot 2, E ½ NW ¼, NE ¼ SW ¼

Section 9: That portion of the lake bed in the SW ¼ of Section 9 riparian to Lot 2

Section 16: NE ¼, less that portion of the S ½ NE ¼ lying South of the Railroad Right of Way

Section 16: That portion of the S ½ NE ¼ lying South of the Railroad Right of Way

Section 16: Lot 1, Lot 2, S ½ NW ¼, less that portion of the S ½ NW ¼ lying South of the Railroad Right of Way

Section 16: That portion of the S ½ NW ¼ lying South of the Railroad Right of Way

TOWNSHIP 151 N; RANGE 90 W

Section 24: W½SE ¼; E½SW¼

Surface Interests Only:

Mountrail County, North Dakota

Township 156 North, Range 90 West

Section 16: That portion of the lake bed in the NW ¼ of Section 16 riparian to Lots 1 and 2

Surface and Mineral Interests Only:

Mountrail County, North Dakota

Township 156 North, Range 90 West

Section 9: Lot 1, Lot 2, NW ¼, N ½ SW ¼ including that portion of the lake bed in the SW ¼ riparian to Lots 1 and 2

Section 16: Lot 1, Lot 2, S ½ NW ¼, NE ¼ including that portion of the lake bed in the NW ¼ riparian to Lots 1 and 2

The value of the Decedent's interest in property is unknown as of May 26, 2021, (the date of death of the Decedent).

The hearing will be held on the 25th day of November 2026, at 10:30 o'clock a.m., at the Courtroom of said Court at the County Courthouse in the City of Stanley, County of Mountrail, State of North Dakota. Any persons having an interest may file an objection stating why said petition should not be granted. Such objections, if any, must be in writing, filed with the Court and copies served by mail on all interested persons.

Failure to attend this hearing or to otherwise object in writing may result in the Decedent's interest in the above-described property being distributed to the following persons in the following proportions:

100% to the Erwin and Jean Rakstad Living Trust, dated October 26, 2006

Dated this 12th day of October, 2026.

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Oct. 21, 28, Nov. 4, 2026