

Eliza Evans // McMinnville, TN

All the Way to Hell, mineral deed, core well sample, 2020

“In the United State, private property rights extend to the heavens (*ad coelum*) and all the way to hell (*ad inferos*). Subsurface rights extend, at least in theory, to the center of the earth. I launched *All the Way to Hell*, an anti-fracking art activist project, in mid-2020. The scale and ambition of this project are huge but nearly invisible. *All the Way to Hell* is a multi-year, long-term project to impede fossil fuel development on private land in the US. Specifically, I am giving away tiny portions of mineral rights to a property in Oklahoma to 1000 people. This fragmentation makes re-aggregating these mineral properties into something drillable tedious, expensive, and time-consuming for prospective frackers. The Oklahoma site is only the first. One thousand people acting with minimal coordination can cause fracking companies endless heartburn by agreeing to have their name on a deed.

All the Way to Hell is potentially a platform for a 100-year sit-in in which the protester/owner spends no money, does no work, and assumes very little risk. Their mineral right—which they are free to give away, sell, or ignore—is about 12 feet long, 11 feet wide, and 4,000 miles deep to the center of the earth. I see each participant as engaging in the largest Land Art project ever conceived. Through exhibitions, installations, press, social media, virtual artist talks, podcasts, and alternative art listings services, I have recruited 350 participants of all ages and backgrounds to date.”



QUIT CLAIM MINERAL DEED

THIS INSTRUMENT, made this _____ day of _____, 2019, by and between **ELIZA ROBINSON EVANS**, hereinafter "Grantor", and _____, a single person, as Grantee in common,

WITNESSETH that Grantor, in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) duly paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby quit claim, grant, bargain, sell, and convey unto the Grantee, and to his heirs, successors, and assigns, forever, all her right, title, interest, claim and demand, both at law and in equity, if in, and to all of the oil, gas, coal, hard rock minerals whatsoever having any economic benefit now or in the future, in and under, and that may be produced, from the following described property to-wit:

A 1/1000th undivided interest in and Eliza Robinson Evans 1/10 undivided interest in and to the SW 1/4 of Section 13, Township 18 North, Range 11 East, Cook County, State of Oklahoma.

together with the right of ingress and egress of all times for the purpose of mining, drilling, exploring, operating, and developing said lands for oil, gas, coal, hard rock minerals, and all other minerals whatsoever having any economic benefit now or in the future, and mining, handling, transporting, and marketing the same therefrom with the right to remove from said land all of Grantor's property and improvements.

This conveyance is made subject to and includes any rights now existing to any lease or leases under any valid and subsisting oil, gas, coal, hard rock minerals, or any other minerals lease of record heretofore executed, it being understood and agreed that said Grantee shall have, receive, and enjoy the herein granted undivided interest in and to all bonuses, rents, royalties, and other benefits which may accrue under the terms of said lease insofar as it covers the above described land from and after the date hereof, provided so if the Grantee herein had been at the date of the making of said lease to the owner of a similar undivided interest in and to the lands described and Grantor being the lesser lessee.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAME, together with all and singular, the covenants, conditions, warranties, and agreements herewith foregoing, to the Grantee, his heirs, assigns, and all the estate, right, title, interest and claim whatsoever of the said Grantee, either in law or equity, to have and to hold forever the above granted premises unto the Grantee, and his heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor does hereunto set her hand the day and year first above written.

ELIZA ROBINSON EVANS

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.
COUNTY OF _____)

BEFORE me, the undersigned Notary Public, within and for the said County and State on this _____ day of _____, 2019, Eliza Robinson Evans, personally appeared to me known to be the identical person who executed the within foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that she executed the same as a free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth. Given under my hand and seal of office the day and year above written.

My Commission Expires _____

Notary Public