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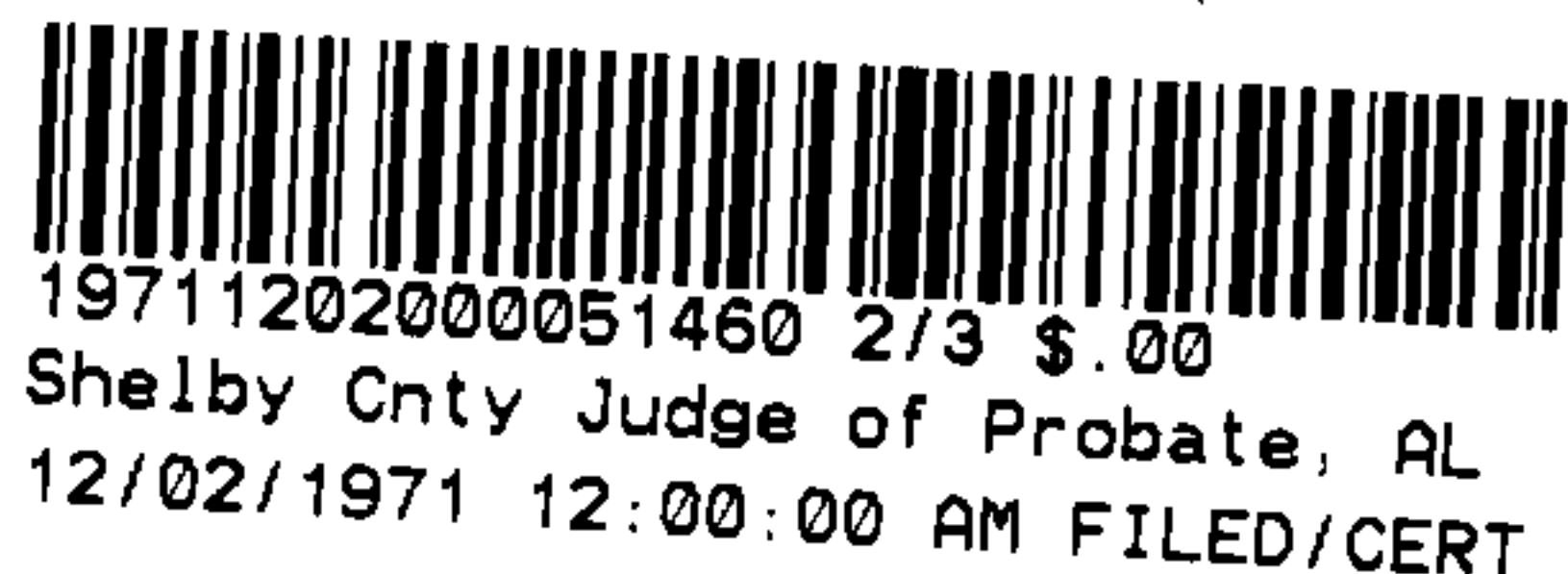
STATE OF ALABAMA)
SHELBY COUNTY)

Before me, the undersigned authority, in and for said County and State, personally appeared Hester Brasher, who, being known to me and being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

That she presently resides at Route 1, Helena, Alabama; that she has been familiar with the occupation, use and possession of the the following described land for a period in excess of 30 years. Said land is situated in Shelby County, Alabama, and is more particularly described as follows:

Part of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 18, Township 20 South, Range 2 West, described as follows: Commence at the Northwest corner of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 18, Township 20 South, Range 2 West, Shelby County, Alabama; thence run in an easterly direction along the north line of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ a distance of 1086.20 feet to the northeast corner of the Hazel Martin lot; thence continue in an easterly direction along north line of said $\frac{1}{4}$ section a distance of 249.17 feet to a 3/4 inch iron pipe marker; thence an angle left of 1 deg. 00' 17" and continue in an easterly direction 898.49 feet to a one inch iron marker, said marker being the NW corner of the Brasher property; thence to the right with an interior angle of 84 deg. 39' 56" and run in a southerly direction along the west line of the Brasher property a distance of 1,061.52 feet, more or less, to the center line of a paved County public road, being the point of beginning of the parcel herein described; thence continue along the same course a distance of 267 feet, more or less to the SW corner of the Brasher property; thence to the right with an interior angle of 95 deg. 48' 33" and run westerly 472.8 feet, more or less, to the intersection of the centerline of said paved County Public Road; thence run Northeasterly along the centerline of said paved County Public Road to the point of beginning, according to survey of Miller and Norrell, Registered Land Surveyors dated 10/30/66, and revised 11/14/66. SUBJECT TO right of way for paved county road.

Actually I own the property which lies just East of the above described property and have lived on the said property adjoining the above described property on the East for a period of 26 years. I remember when L. C. Collum and wife, Essie Collum, purchased the above described property from Mamie Coates and husband, M. S. Coates, in September of 1945, by deed, which is recorded in Deed Book 166, page 57, in the Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. I know of my own personal knowledge that the first above described property, which is now owned by Bobby L. Littleton and wife, Teresa Littleton, was a part and parcel of the property which was purchased by L. C. Collum and wife, Essie Collum, by the aforesaid deed from Mamie Coates and her husband, M. S. Coates. The property which was so purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Collum included other property in the area but all the property joined together and was contiguous. Shortly after L. C. Collum and his wife, Essie Collum, purchased the property in September 1945 they began construction of their residence on the property. Mr. and Mrs. Collum moved into the house in either the latter part of 1945 or early part of 1946 but the same had not quite been completed. Before the house could be completed Essie Collum died and L. C. Collum continued to reside in the house and continued in



possession of said property, including the property which was owned by Bobby L. Littleton and wife, Teresa Littleton, up until he sold the same. The said L. C. Collum, as aforesaid, lived on said property, raised crops on the same, fenced it in and had some small amount of livestock and maybe an occasional mule or horse and other livestock on the property. Along with the other property which he had purchased, he remained in actual, open, continuous, hostile, notorious and adverse possession of the property first described above and which is now owned by Bobby L. Littleton and Teresa Littleton. There were never any disputes concerning the ownership of the same and no other person, firm, corporation was in possession of said property owned by Bobby L. Littleton and Teresa Littleton and described above other than the said L. C. Collum and his wife. L. C. Collum remained in possession of said property to the exclusion of all other until he sold the same along with his next wife, Ellon, to Iona Connell in November of 1949 by deed recorded in Deed Book 140, page 185. I know of my own personal knowledge that the first above described property which is now owned by Bobby L. Littleton and Teresa Littleton was part and parcel of the property which L. C. Collum and Ellon Collum sold to Iona Connell as aforesaid in November of 1949. The said Iona Connell and her husband, W. E. Connell, immediately after receiving said deed went into the actual open, notorious, hostile, adverse, continuous, exclusive possession of said property, lived in the residence situated thereon, farmed and gardened various other portions of the property, and otherwise possessed and claimed the same to the exclusion of all others for each and every year up to the time when the first above described property was conveyed by Iona Connell and her husband in April of 1971 to Lavernia Hope Dunnaway and husband, R. L. Dunnaway. Approximately 3 to 4 years ago Iona Connell and her husband moved a house or residence on to the property first described above which, as aforesaid, is now owned by Bobby L. Littleton and Teresa Littleton, and they rented it out to various tenants continuously and exclusively up until they sold the property to R. L. Dunnaway and Lavernia Hope Dunnaway in 1971 as aforesaid. A few months after Mr. and Mrs. Dunnaway purchased the property they conveyed the same to Bobby Littleton and Teresa Littleton, who are now the present owners.

During the more than 26 years I have known the occupation, use and possession of the first above described property it has been in the actual, open, exclusive, hostile, notorious, and continuous possession of Bobby L. Littleton and Teresa Littleton and their predecessors in title as named above, namely, R. L. Dunnaway and Lavernia Hope Dunnaway, Iona Connell, L. C. Collum, Essie Collum and Mr. and Mrs. Coates. No other person, firm or corporation has been in possession of said property or any part thereof

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during said period and the title thereof has not been questioned or disputed in any way with the exception of a claim which was made in court by Leona Martin, but which was later resolved against her. There are no questions or disputes whatsoever concerning the title or right of possession or ownership of said property.

I understand that there is an owed tax sale dated July 14, 1914, in favor of Mrs. F. T. Longshore which, I understand, is recorded in Tax Sale Record 4, page 378, in the Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. I know of my own knowledge that neither Mrs. F. T. Longshore nor no other person from a corporation has been in possession of any part or parcel of the first above described property during the more than 26 years I have known the same. As stated above, Essie Collum, the widow of F. C. Collum, died without leaving a last will and testament and her death occurred prior to October 8, 1949. On October 8, 1949, the following constituted all of the heirs of the said Essie Collum, namely, Hazel C. Martin, Virgil C. Collum, Iona C. Connell and Leona C. Martin. These were the only children of Essie Collum and the sole heirs. I have been informed that there are various deeds in the abstract which convey all or part of the East 420 feet of the Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 18, Township 20, Range 2 West. As stated previously, I am actually the owner of the property lying just East of the first above described property, which would be part and parcel of this East 420 feet of said $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ section. I know of my own knowledge that the possession and title of present owners of the East 420 feet of said $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ section does not overlap or conflict with the title, occupation, use and possession of the first above described property, which is now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Littleton, as aforesaid.

I also understand that there is a mortgage from J. L. Brasher and Leona Brasher, which mortgage is dated March 6, 1964, and recorded in Mortgage Book 287, page 129, in the Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. I know of my own knowledge that neither J. L. Brasher nor Leona Brasher has ever asserted any right, title or interest or claim to any part or portion of the first above described property. Anything to the contrary in the description of said mortgage would simply be in error.

Hester Brasher

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 12th day of December 1971.

Robert D. Moore
Notary Public

Commission Expires October 10, 1973

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