Howell to Merrell

The State of Alabama, }
Shelby County. } Know all men by these Presents, That for and in consideration of the sum of Eight hundred & Ten dollars, to the undersigned grantor Levi Howell & Elizabeth Howell in hand paid by Green Merrell the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged we do grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Green Merrell the following described real estate to wit: SW1/4 of SW1/4 of Sec. 14. T. 22 R 1 E. less 3 in North of the Public road. N.W1/4 of NW1/4 and Fraction D Sec 23 T 22 R 1 E less the right of way of the G M RR through above described land situated in Shelby County. Alabama. To have and to hold to the said Green Merrell his heirs and assigns forever. And we do for our heirs, executors and administrators covenant with said Green Merrell his heirs and assigns that we are lawfully seized in fee simple of said premises; that they are free from all incumbrances and that we have a good right to sell and convey the same as aforesaid, that we will and our heirs executors and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said Green Merrell his heirs, executors and assigns forever against the lawful claims of all persons. Given under our hand and seal, this 3 day of Dec. 1896.

Witness:
A H Merrell

L. H. Howell (L.S.)
Elizabeth X her mark Howell (L.S.)

State of Alabama, } I, A H Merrell a Justice of the
Shelby County. } Peace in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Levi Howell whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date. Given under my hand this 3 day of Dec. 1896.

A H Merrell J.P.

The State of Alabama, } I, A. H. Merrell a Justice
Shelby County. } of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that on the 3 day of Dec. 1896. came before me the within named Elizabeth Howell known to me or made known to me, to be the wife of the within named ~~Elizabeth~~ Howell who being examined

separate and apart from the husband touching her signature to the within she acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord and without fear, constraint or threats on the part of the husband. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 3 day of Dec. 1896.

A. N. Murrell J.P.

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D. R. McMillan Judge of Probate.