Horrison to Baird & Clark & Co. Lease.

The State of Alabama. } I Allen P. Horrison of
Shelby County. } Randolph, Bibb County, Alabama, has this day August 25th 1898, leased all of my coal lands to Wm Baird & W.L. Clark & Co of Maline Shelby County, Alabama, for a term of ten years from date of this instrument – The said coal lands being the NW4 of Section 5, Township 22, Range 2 West, and E½ of NE4 Section 6, Township 22 Range 2 West containing 240 acres more or less, and also the following lands shall be included as soon as I Allen P. Horrison can get my deeds properly arranged, Towit: SE4 of SE4 Section 31 Township 21, Range 2 West. –

All ~~of~~ the above lands are situated in Shelby County, Alabama. Now the conditions of the lease is such that Wm Baird & W.L. Clark & Co are to sink shafts and a slope on said lands, and pay 12½ ¢ twelve & a half cents royalty per ton for all coal sold from said lands, the said royalty is to be paid on the 20 of each month & the said Allen P. Horrison or his agent, shall have access to the said Wm Baird & W.L. Clark & Co books at any time during each and every month, showing the statement of Coal, and the further consideration of this lease is that the said Wm Baird & W.L. Clark & Co are to begin work on said lands within 30 days from date of this instrument. Now the said Allen P. Horrison agrees that Wm Baird & W.L. Clark & Co shall have all the timber & stone that may be needed in and around said coal mines, and further agrees to furnish all right of way through said lands that may be needed for operating said coal mines.

Now the said Wm Baird & W.L. Clark & Co. agree to work and take all the coal from said lands that is practicable in operating said coal mines. Now the said Wm Baird & W.L. Clark & Co agree that should they fail to comply with said lease, that they will surrender & give possession of said property at once without litigation. The said Wm Baird & W.L. Clark & Co. agree to remove all machinery belonging to them in ninety days after lease expires, and all houses and sheds shall not be moved but shall become the property of the said Allen P. Howison upon the expiration of the said lease. Witness our hands & seals this the 25th day of August 1898.

Witness:

W H Mahan (Revenue Stamp 25¢)

C W Brand.

Allen P. Howison

W.L. Clark (L.S.)

Wm Baird (L.S.)

Filed for record Sept 3-1898 recorded.

D.R. McMillan, Judge of Probate.