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D. N. & M. F. Hodgens to J. E. Hodgens

The State of Alabama } Know all men by these presents;
Shelby County } That for and in consideration of the sum of Two hundred and eighty Dollars to me in hand paid by Jame E Hodgens & the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged. I D. M. Hodgens and wife Mary F. Hodgens do grant, bargain, sell and convey unto J. E Hodgens and his heirs the following lands lying and being in Shelby County, State of Alabama - To wit:- N W ¼ of S W ¼ and the south S ½ of the north west fourth All in Township 20 - Section one Range 2 West - To have and to hold the same unto said J. E. Hodgens his heirs and assigns forever - And we do for our selves covenant with said J. E. Hodgens his heirs and assigns that we are lawfully seized in fee simple of said lands and premises that they are free from all encumbrance - and that we have a perfect right to sell and convey said lands and that we will defend the same to said J. E Hodgens his heirs and assigns executors and administrators against the lawful claims of all persons whatever.
Given under our hand and seals this 24th day of Oct 1896

D. A. Hodgens (L. S.)
M. L. Hodgens (L. S.)

State of Alabama }
Shelby County } I, W. H. Sturdivant justice of the Peace for said County hereby certify that D. M. Hodgens and M. L. Hodgens, whose name is signed to the within conveyance and who is known to me, acknowledged before me this day that being informed of contents of the conveyance he signed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.
Given under my hand and seal this 24th day of Oct. 1896.

W. H. Sturdivant
Justice of the Peace

The State of Alabama }
Shelby County } I, W. H. Sturdivant justice of the Peace in said County and State do hereby certify that on the 24th day of Oct 1896 came before me Mary F. Hodgens known to me to be the wife

of W. N. Hodgens who being by me examined separate and apart from the husband touching her signature to the within conveyance acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord and without fear of constraint or threats on the part of her husband.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand this the 24" day of Oct 1896

W. H. Sturdivant
Justice of the Peace

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G. V. Longshore
Judge of Probate