

State of Alabama, } Personally appeared before me, the
 Shelby County, } undersigned authority P. F. Cox, who
 being by me first duly sworn deposes and says that
 he bought the following described real estate, to-wit:
 S $\frac{1}{2}$ of S. N $\frac{1}{4}$ and N. E $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. N $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 30. Town
 ship 18, Range 1 West, in Shelby County, Alabama, from
 John Attaway about 20 years ago and received a
 regular form warranty deed to it signed by the
 said John Attaway and his wife and acknowledged
 by both of them in formal form before J. P. Pearson, a

Justice of the Peace in and for Shelby County, Alabama, and
 Affiant says that the last time he remembers seeing said
 deed was about ten years ago when he granted a right
 of way across that land for a road at the request of
 the Birmingham State Works Company and he is now
 unable to find it after searching everywhere for it.

That affiant took charge of that place as the owner thereof as soon
 as he bought it and had cultivated and had tenants on it
 or some part of it continuously ever since he bought it and
 during all that period of time affiant has been in the open
 and notorious possession of said premises through said
 tenants and has claimed it as his own adversely to every
 body and affiant has never heard of any one making any
 claim to it or any part of it during all that time.

That said John Attaway has been dead several years and
 he had only two children who are both living not far
 from that place now and whose names are S. H. Attaway
 and R. L. Attaway and he left a widow who afterwards
 married Robert E. Simonons and is still living but
 she was not his wife when I bought said land.
 R. F. Cox

Sworn to and subscribed before
 me on this the 2nd day of January, 1918.

W. J. Hordley
 Notary Public Shelby County, Ala.

The State of Alabama,

Shelby County. } I hereby certify that the within affidavit
 was filed in this office for record 5 day of January
 1918, at 9 o'clock A. M. and recorded in Deed Record
 63 Pages 187-188 and examined.

L. H. Thayer Judge of Probate