

STATE OF ALABAMA       )  
SHELBY COUNTY        )

Personally appeared before me the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State J.A.Fulton, who being duly sworn according to law deposes and says: My name is J.A.Fulton and I am 66 years of age, I have lived in or near Saginaw, Shelby County, Alabama, for more than 66 years; Affiant also says: I am acquainted with the lands known as the C. E. Essman homestead, described as follows: The S $\frac{1}{2}$  of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 12, Tp. 21 Range 3 west in said County and am also familiar with the lines of the said lands, I know that for a number of years before his death in 1909, C.E. Essman was in possession of said lands, and had part of same in cultivation and under fence claiming same as his own and that his house was located in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 12 which was the south east part of his farm. After the death of C.E.Essman, I remember that his son C.T.Essman went into possession of said lands and cultivated same until the heirs of the said C.E.Essman sold to H. Nelson who went into possession of same in 1915 and had the lands cultivated each year until 1918 when he sold the lands to W. L.Fulton, who then went into possession of same, and during the same year the said W. L.Fulton sold the lands to C. P. McLane and since that time the said C. P. McLane has been in possession of same, having the lands partly under fence and each year the said C. P. McLane has kept the lands under cultivation and in pasture with a tenant. Affiant further says; each one of the above named owners of the said described lands,

during their ownership lived either on or in the immediate vicinity of the said property.

J.A.Fulton (L.S.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 20th day of December, 1928.

K. B. Nickerson--Notary Public

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )

SHELBY COUNTY )

I hereby certify that the within affidavit was filed in this office for record April 4th 1929 at 9 oclock A.M. and recorded inDeed record 88 page 171 and examined.

Cage Head--Judge of Pro bate

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