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STATE OF ALABAMA)

JEFFERSON COUNTY)

Before the undersigned authority in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared J. O. Zellner, who being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says on oath as follows:

I am the grantee in the deed of conveyance executed by J G. Hardy and wife, bearing date of the 3rd of November, 1927, and recorded in Deed Book 79 at Page 626, Records of Deeds in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama; said deed being to the NW $\frac{1}{2}$  of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7, and 45 acre tract of land adjoining said lands on the east and also the West 216 feet of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 7, all in Township 18, Range 1, East, said deed being also to the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 12, Township 18, Range, 1, West, all in Shelby County, Alabama.

At the time said property was conveyed to me, tenants of the grantors were living in a residence on the 45 acre tract described in said deed. Said tenants immediately attorned to me and tenants of mine have been living in said residence in actual possession of said property continuously ever since said deed was made to me. In the following spring after said property was conveyed to me, I had the entire North half of the NW $\frac{1}{2}$  of said Section 7 fenced for pasture and said fence has been kept up and maintained and said lands used for a pasture continuously ever since to the present date.

The said NW $\frac{1}{2}$  of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7 showed at the time I bought it that several years prior thereto, the original or virgin timber had been cut from said lands. The old stumps are still on said land and it is my information that J. L. Tinney cut the original or virgin timber off of said lands for lumber purposes. It was also very apparent, at the time I bought the property, that timber for farm purposes had been cut from said 80 acre tract.

The residence, which I spoke of above, appeared to be something like twenty years old or older at the time I bought the property; and adjoining said residence, there was in cultivation at least 30 acres of land and the land indicated or showed that it had been cultivated for many years prior thereto and this land has been cultivated each year since I bought the property by tenants of mine.

J. O. Zellner

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 13th day of November, 1935.

Hattie Meadors  
Notary Public.

Filed for record in this office the 23rd day of November, 1935 and recorded in Deed Record #99, page 79, and examined.

L. C. Walker,  
Judge of Probate.