

Affidavit

State of Alabama

Shelby County.

Personally appeared before me the undersigned authority in and for said State and County W. C. Evans, who being by me duly sworn deposes and says as follows:

I am 38 years of age, and I reside at Rt. 2 Columbiana, in Shelby County, Alabama in the vicinity of the following described property; $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $E\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$; $E\frac{1}{4}$ of $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ and $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ all in Section 19, Tp 21, ^{Range} Page 1. West situated in Shelby County, Alabama and am acquainted with the said property.

Prior to Dec. 4th, 1920, J. E. Davis owned the property, and in that year it was bought by Mary E. Skates, who immediately took possession. From that year up to the present time, it has been continuously occupied by Mary E. Skates and W. B. Hardeman, John C. Skates, J. C. Mills, L. H. Ellis and Nathan T. Atchison, who at different times acquired the property from Mary E. Skates.

The property has been under cultivation continuously since 1920 either by one of the above persons, or by their tenants.

I have never heard of any person other than Mary E. Skates and those claiming under her, claiming any interest or title to said property, except at one time O. D. Perkins claimed an interest in it, under some kind of a mortgage. But I understand this matter has been cleared up in the Chancery Court of Shelby County.

The property is now in the possession of Nathan T. Atchison, who resides on same. I know the above owners and that they either lived on the land or leased it. I recall Sam Watkins as leasee for 15 years.

W. C. Evans

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this the 1st day of Dec. 1938

J. M. Leonard, Jr.

Notary Public & Ex-Off Justice of the Peace.

Filed for record in this office the 3rd day of December, 1938 at 10 AM and recorded in Deed Record #105 on page 376 and examined.

L. C. Walker, Judge of Probate

Shelby County, Alabama.