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STATE OF ALABAMA    |

SHELBY COUNTY        |

Before me, Grace Carter, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared T. E. Elliott, who is known to me and who, being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am acquainted or was acquainted with W. D. Raley, in his life time; I also remember his mother, Mrs. Effa Raley; after the death of Mrs. Effa Raley, which occurred something like forty years ago, I also recall it, said W. D. Raley has been in the actual, open, notorious, continuous, exclusive, adverse possession of the north east quarter of the south east quarter of Section 15, Township 19 Range 2 East, until the time of his death. He actually lived upon this forty all that time, where he had his dwelling house and cultivated portions of said land each and every year or had it cultivated. My understanding is that he sold off a small lot or two but, outside of that, he kept the entire forty intact and under his possession until the time of his death, as hereinabove stated.

My attention is called to the fact that Mr. Raley deeded this land to his wife, Martha C. Raley, in 1912, and I do not know anything about that, but do know that he remained on the land and cultivated it from 1912 until the time of his death as though he owned it. Just who was the actual owner of the land I do not know, except as the deed recites, but, as stated, he remained on the land all that time.

Thos. E. Elliott

Sworn and subscribed to before me this the 13th day of January, 1940.

Grace Carter, Notary Public

Filed in this office January 18, 1940 at 8 am and recorded in Deed Book 107 at page 493, and examined.

L. C. Walker, Judge of Probate

