AFFIDAVIT

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STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF SHELBY

Before me the undersigned authority in and for said County and in said State, personally appeared before me (Mrs.) Addie Mae Blackerly Hotchkiss, who being first duly sworn on oath says that this affidavit relates to the mortgage executed by Edward K. Austin to W. A. J. Blackerby as recorded in Volume 176 on page 391 in the office of the Probate Judge of Shelby County, Alabama. This mortgage bearing date of December 10th 1937 and being for the amount of \$1,250.00.

Affiant states that she is the Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. J. Blackerby of Chelsea, Shelby County, Alabama, and that she remembers that on or about November 11th 1941 Mr. Edward K. Austin (who purchased my father's farm near Chelsea) came to our home in Chelsea and paid to my Mother the last installment payment on note of said mortgage. MY mother than asked me to get the note and mortgage, which I did. My Mother marked the note "paid" and then gave both the note and mortgage to Mr. Austin. At his suggestion she promised to go to Columbiana, Alabama and make the necessary release on the record books at her first opportunity. Shorthly after that, however, she became ill and later died without having a chance to go to the Office of the Probate Judge and make the official release.

Mrs. Addie Mae Blackerby Hotchkiss L. S.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6 day of January 1944.

J. W. Moore, Notary Public Justice of Peace

Notarial Seal

Filed for record in this office on the 1st day of May, 1944, at eleven o'clock A. M. and duly recorded in Deed Record Vol. 118 on page 331.

L. C. Walker, Judge of Probate

No tax due on this instrument