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## AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF ALABAMA )

SHELBY COUNTY )

Before me, L. C. Walker, Judge of Probate, in and for said county in said state, personally appeared Minnie Ray who being duly sworn deposes and says that she resides near Shelby Springs in Shelby County, Alabama; that she is sixty-five years of age and has resided in the Shelby Springs Community all of her life; that for a period of sixty years last past she has been acquainted with the location, boundaries, use, possession and ownership of the following described lands to-wit:

the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section eight township twenty-two, range one west in Shelby County Alabama.

Affiant further says that she was Minnie Holcombe prior to her marriage to C. C. Ray, and that John Holcombe whose full name was John Thomas Holcombe and being the grantee in that certain deed from Powell Holcombe to John Holcombe dated November 4, 1859, and recorded in Deed Book 91 on page 501 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama, conveying the above forty acres and other land was the grandfather of your affiant; affiant further says that her father's name was also John Thomas Holcombe but that he was generally called or known as Thomas Holcombe and being the same Thomas Holcombe named as grantee in that deed from Sara Holcombe, et al, to Thomas Holcombe dated January 20, 1886, and recorded in Deed Book 33, on page 243 in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama, and that Sara Holcombe was the wife of John Holcombe named in that deed recorded in Deed Book 91 on page 501 as aforesaid and that Sarah Holcombe, a widow, and Jasper Holcombe, Richard Holcombe, Betty Holcombe, Benjamin J. Holcombe, James H. Holcombe, and Burl Holcombe together with Thomas Holcombe, the father of your affiant as aforesaid, were the sole heirs at law and next of kin of John Holcombe the grantee in that deed from Powell Holcombe to John Holcombe as aforesaid.

Affiant further says that the J. T. Holcombe and wife M. J. Holcombe, named as grantors in that certain deed to William C. Paull dated February 16, 1906, and recorded in Deed Book 35 on page 1, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama, conveying the above described land and other land and being the same party as the Thomas Holcombe named as grantee in that certain deed from Sara Holcombe, et al, to Thomas Holcombe as aforesaid. Affiant further says that she knew L. B. Triplett during his lifetime and that he departed this life in Shelby County, Alabama, on or about the first day of April, 1925; affiant further says that she knew the said L. B. Triplett since her early childhood and for more than forty years prior to his death and that she was in his home frequently and resided as a near neighbor to said party until the date of his death and that the said L. B. Triplett and his wife Cassie Triplett were married and lived as husband and wife for a period of more than forty years prior to the death of said L. B. Triplett; affiant further says that she knows that the said L. B. Triplett left no children or their descendants, no father or mother, and no brothers or sisters or their descendants surviving him at his deceased; that he died intestate.

Affiant further says that on December 26, 1906, the said L. B. Triplett, and C. C. Ray, the husband of your affiant, purchased the above described land from William C. Paull and immediately thereafter both families moved into a residence situated upon the above described lands; that soon thereafter C. C. Ray and your affiant moved into another residence on said property and that the said L. B. Triplett and Cassie Triplett continued to reside thereon until the death of the said L. B. Triplett and that since the death of the said L. B. Triplett that his widow Cassie Triplett has been in the possession and has resided upon the above described land up until the date of sale of that part conveyed to Frank E. Munson and Helen E. Munson on April 17, 1940.

Affiant further says that she knows of her own personal knowledge that for more than sixty years last past that Frank E. Munson and wife, Helen E. Munson and those through whom the said Frank E. and Helen E. MUNSON hold title, namely: Cassie Triplett, L. B. Triplett, C. C. Ray, William C. Paull, J. T. Holcombe, being the same party as Thomas Holcombe, to the above described land have been respectively in the open,

notorious, continuous, peaceful, and adverse possession of said lands, claiming the same as their own respectively against all the world and exercising acts of possession and ownership over the same by using said land as a home site and in the cultivation of farm crops; that affiant has never heard the title of the said Cassie Triplett or the said Frank E. Munson and wife, Helen E. Munson, or those through whom they hold title to said lands namely;

Beginning at the southwest corner of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 8, Tp. 22, Range 1 West and run thence north along the west line of said forty a distance of one thousand thirty seven and one tenth feet to a point; thence east a distance of four hundred twenty feet to a point; thence south and parallel with west line of said forty acres a distance of one thousand thirty-seven and one-tenth feet more or less to the south line of said forty acres; thence west along the south line of said forty acres a distance of four hundred and twenty feet to the point of beginning and containing ten acres more or less, upon which there is situated one four room dwelling house,

to be questioned in any way.

Affiant further says that she is not related in anyway to Cassie Triplett or to Frank E. Munson and wife, Helen E. Munson; that she is not interested in anyway in the above described lands.

Minnie Ray L. S.

Sworn to and subscribed to before me on this the 28th day of June, 1944.

L. C. Walker

Judge of Probate

Shelby County, Alabama

COURT SEAL

Filed for record in this office on the 5th day of July, 1944 at four o'clock P. M. and duly recorded in Deed Record Vol. 118 on page 548.

No tax due on this instrument

L. C. Walker, Judge of Probate