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STATE OF ALABAMA,
SHELBY COUNTY...

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Ed Martin, Leon Cook, and Burton Lucas, who, being first duly sworn depose and say that they reside in Shelby County, Alabama; that for a period of fifty years, last past, they have been acquainted with the location, ownership, possession and use of the following described lands situated in Shelby County, Alabama, to-wit:

The Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 24, Range 13 East. Also, two acres heretofore known as School District Number 36, in Shelby County, Alabama, Lot, situated in the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 8, Township 24, Range 13 East, and being further described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 8, and being the East line of said Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 8, where the Calera and Dry Valley Public Road crosses said Section line, and running from thence North along the East Boundary line of said Section a distance of 140 yards; run thence West NO yards; thence South and parallel with the East boundary line of said Section a distance of 140 yards; run thence East 70 yards to the point of beginning, all situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Affiants further say that they remember the occasion in the year 1900 when Edgar Milstead purchased from Charles A. Milstead the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 9, as

aforesaid, and entered into the possession thereof and continued in possession until the year 1917 at which time, he conveyed said lands to Walter Ozley who later conveyed said lands to Grady Dykes who remained in possession of said lands until the year 1942 when he conveyed said forty acres together with other lands described as two acres of land and known as the lot of land deed to School District Number 36.

Affiants further say that they remember the occasion in 1900 when John B. Randall conveyed to M.A. Lucas the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 8, Township 24, Range 13 East, and that the said M.A. Lucas entered into the immediate possession of said lands and continued in possession thereof until the date of the conveyance in 1907 to the State of Alabama for the benefit of School District Number 36 in Shelby County, Alabama, and that the State of Alabama remained in the possession of said two-acre tract of land until the year 1925 at which time the State of Alabama conveyed said lands to Grady Dykes who, in turn, in 1942 conveyed said two acres, and other lands to C.C. Dykes.

Affiants further say that they know of their own personal knowledge that Samuel M. Pickler has not made any claim, nor has he been in the possession of any of the lands described in this affidavit during the past fifty years.

Affiants further say that they know of their own personal knowledge that F.H. Hardy has never claimed, nor has he ever been in the possession at any time of the lands described in this affidavit; affiants further say that they know that the Knoxwille Furniture Company, Goetter-Weild and Company, and Belknop Hardware and Manufacturing Company have never been in the possession of any part of the above described lands during the past fifty years and that they have never heard of either of the above named Companies claiming any interest, or title to the above described lands.

Affiants further say that of their own personal knowledge that for fifty years, last past, that C.C. Dykes and those through whom the said C.C. Dykes holds title, namely, Grady Dykes, the State of Alabama, Walter Ozley, Edgar Milstead and M.A. Lucas and John B. Pandall, to the above described lands have been respectively in the open, notorious, continuous, peaceable, and adverse possession of said lands, claiming said lands as their own respectively against all the world, and regularly exercising acts of ownership over said lands by either residing thereon and cultivating said lands in agricultural crops, either in person or by tenant, for the past forty-five years, and that your affiants have never heard the title of the said C.C. Dykes, or the title of either of the predecessors in title of the said C.C. Dykes to be questioned by any person, or interest.

Ed x Martin
mark
Leon Cook

Burton Lucas

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 11th day of September, 1945.

(SEAL)

Dixon B. Jones
Notary Public, and Ex Officio
Justice of the Peace, Shelby
County, Alabama

Filed in the office of the Probate Judge the 12th day of September, 1945 at 9 o'clock A.M. and recorded in the Deed Record 121 on page 509 on this the 12th day of September, 1945.

L.C. Walker,

NO TAX EUE ON THIS INSTRUMENT

Judge of Probate