

STATE OF ALABAMA,

AFFIDAVIT

SHELBY COUNTY.

Before me, Paul O. Luck, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared J. E. Ray and T. P. Ray, respectively, who, being first duly sworn depose and say that they are brothers, and are of the ages of 71 years and 76 years, respectively, and that they have resided in Shelby County, Alabama, all of their lives; that they are sons of William H. Ray, deceased; that Sarah C. Bolton was a daughter of W. H. Ray, and a half sister of your affiants, and that Allen A. Ray, now deceased, was a son of William H. Ray, and a brother of your affiants; that for a period of more than sixty years, last past, that they have been acquainted with the location boundaries, use, claim of ownership, possession, and ownership of the following lands situated in Shelby County, Alabama, to-wit: All that part of the East Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 13, Township 20, Range 1 West, that lies South of the road that leads, or runs from the lower bridge to the old house place, and East of the road, the County Public Road, that runs from the old house place to the upper bridge, and all situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Affiants further say that on November 26, 1898, the widow and all of the heirs at law of William H. Ray, deceased, conveyed to Sarah C. Bolton all of the above described lands situated North and West of Yellow Leaf Creek; and that said Sarah C. Bolton paid at that time the purchase money to the above named grantors, and that the said Sarah C. Bolton was put into the possession, by the above named grantors, of all of the lands situated North and West of said Yellow Leaf Creek, and South of said road that runs from lower bridge to the old house place; affiants further say that of their own personal knowledge they know that for more than sixty years, last past, the above described lands have been cleared and regularly, each year, been in cultivation of agricultural crops by the said Sarah C. Bolton and the several succeeding owners to the present date.

Affiants further say that of their own personal knowledge they know that for the past sixty years that Nora Arthur, and those through whom she holds title, namely, Ollie Johnson, J. H. Billings and wife, Eula Billings, Della Mae Johnson Bickle, E. V. Johnson, Mollie Johnson, Allen A. Ray, S. S. Childers, Mrs. J. E. Edmondson, Henry Milner, the heirs at law of J. W. Edmondson, deceased, J. A. Edmondson, J. F. McDonald, J. E. Ray and Sarah C. Bolton 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 and continuously exercising acts of ownership over said lands by regularly and continuously cultivating said lands in agricultural crops and assessing the same for taxes, for State and County taxes, and that affiants have never heard the title, or right of possession of the said Nora Arthur, or those through whom she holds title, as aforesaid, to be questioned in any way.

Affiants further say that they, as heirs-at-law of William H. Ray, deceased, do not claim any right, title, or interest in said lands, nor have they ever heard of either of the heirs-at-law of the said William H. Ray make any claim of ownership, or any right of possession of the above described lands.

Affiants further say that they are acquainted with the lands conveyed to Allen A. Ray by William H. Ray on the 14th day of February, 1893, and described as being in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 13, Township 20, Range 1 West, making the Creek the North line.

Affiants further say that they remember the occasion of the above described sale, and that they know of their own personal knowledge that no part of the lands sold in said transaction included any part of said forty acres of land north of the Creek, and that the said Allen A. Ray, now deceased, never made any claim, under the terms of said deed, to any part of the lands North of the Creek.

Affiants further say that they know of their own personal knowledge that neither of the successors in title or parties in possession of the said deed have ever claim, or been in the possession of any part of the said lands North of Yellow Leaf Creek, in Shelby County, Alabama,

J. E. Ray

T. P. Ray

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 4th day of October, 1947.

Paul O. Luck

Notary Public, Shelby County, Alabama.

Filed for record in the office of the Judge of Probate on 20th October 1947 at
2 o'clock P. M. and recorded in Deed Book 130, page 476-477, on 31st October, 1947.

L. C. Walker,

Judge of Probate.

No Tax Due
