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STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY.

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Claudia Wooley, who is known to me and who being by me first duly sworn deposes and says: I was formerly Claudia Merrell and was the surviving widow of Fred Merrell, deceased, and I am the beneficiary in a will which has been admitted to Probate in the Probate Court of Shelby County, Alabama. I am acquainted with the following land situated in Shelby County, Alabama, viz:

The SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  and the NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SW  $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 16, Township 22, Range 1 East, containing 80 acres, more or less.

I agreed to sell this land to Hiram P. Collum in the year 1929 at and for the sum of Two Thousand & 00/100 (\$2000.00) Dollars, and put him in possession of the land, and he gave me a mortgage on the property which is recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in mortgage book 155 page 148. After Mr. Collum failed to make his first payment he turned the property back to me and I agreed, of course, to cancel the mortgage. Collum held possession of the property only one year and then turned possession of same back to me and moved off, and I immediately went back into possession of the property when Mr. Collum surrendered it to me, and remained in possession of it and had the actual, open, notorious, continuous, exclusive, adverse possession of the same, having portions of it cultivated each and every year until I deeded it to W. L. Gilliland in 1932. My attention is called to the fact that the mortgage above referred to has never been satisfied of record and I hereby cancel, annul, and discharge said mortgage. I did not execute any deed to Mr. Collum.

Given under my hand and seal this the 26 day of March, 1949.

Claudia Wooley

Sworn and subscribed to before me on this the 26 day of March, 1949.

Conrad M. Fowler

Notary Public  
State at Large

Filed in the office of the Probate Judge on the 30th day of March, 1949 at 3 P. M. and recorded in Deed Record 138 on page 153 on this the 7th day of April, 1949.

L. C. Walker

Judge of Probate.

NO TAX DUE ON THIS INSTRUMENT.....