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STATE OF ALABAMA,

SHELBY COUNTY.

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared G_{\bullet}/W_{\bullet} . Collins, who is known to me, and who being by me first duly sworn deposes and says;

I am acquainted with the following land situated in Section 22, Township 19, Range 2 West, Shelby County, Alabama, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the point where Spring Branch runs into what is known as Valley Creek, thence up said Spring Branch in a northerly direction to a road leading from the Montevallo-Ashville Road to what is known as the Birmingham Road, thence, in a northersterly direction along said road to a cross fence, thence southeasterly along said cross fence to Valley Creek, thence down said creek to the point of beginning. This property is more particularly described as follows:

Begin at the Southeast corner of the NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Section 22, Township 19, Range 2 West, and run thence North 55 deg. 5 minutes west 100 feet to Valley Creek, thence along said creek by 7 lines to the mouth of Spring Branch as follows: south 22 deg. 15 minutes west 72.5 feet, south 77 deg. 15 minutes west 75.0 feet, north 42 deg. 45 minutes west 113.0 feet, north 64 deg. 45 minutes west 166.0 feet, south 61 deg. 15 minutes west 262.9 feet, south 74 deg. 15 minutes west 50.0 feet, north 38 deg. 45 minutes west 223.0 feet, thence up said Spring Branch north 5 deg. west 88.41 feet to the road leading from Valley Road to the Birmingham Road, thence along said road to a cross fence by 2 lines as follows: north 74 deg. west 66.0 feet, north 51 deg. east 420.4 feet; thence along said fence south 37 deg. 35 minutes east 592.8 feet, to Valley Creek which is the point of beginning of the property herein described.

I have known this land for forty years or more.

- S. D. Cox bought this property from I. E. N. Johnson and wife, by deed dated December 11, 1909, and recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in deed book 49 at page 509, and he went into possession of it immediately thereafter, and had tenants on it, cultivating portions of it and living upon it continuously until he deeded it to J. H. Peoples and wife, Mary Peoples on the 9th day of November 1921, which deed is recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in deed book 70 at page 317.
- J. H. Peoples and wife, Mary Peoples went into possession of said property immediately after the execution of the last mentioned deed and lived upon it, and cultivated portions of it until they sold it to Kirgle Bishop, also known as A. K. Bishop, by deed dated December 12, 1922, and recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in deed book 69 at page 620.

Said Kirgle Bishop went into possession of said property immediately upon the execution of the last mentioned deed and lived on the property and cultivated portions of it each and every year until sometime in 1928, when he died. Said Kirgle Bishop left surviving him his widow, Ruby Bishop, and one son, W. T. Bishop, who was then a minor, and they lived upon the property for awhile and cultivated portions of it each and every year, and when they were not actually living on it, they had tenants on it cultivating it each and every year until Ruby Bishop, now Ruby Elliott, purchased the property through Chancery proceedings in 1934, and thereafter Ruby Elliott had possession of said property,

either living upon it and cultivating portions of it each and every year, or she had tenants living on it and cultivating portions of it each and every year, until she sold it to Albert Odell Wright and Rose Wright, by deed dated September 20, 1937, which deed is recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in deed book 100 at page 162. The Wrights want into possession of said property immediately after the execution of the aforementioned deed and remained in possession of it, living upon it and cultivating portions of it each and every year, or having tenants upon it, cultivating portions of it each and every year, until they sold and deeded it to Mrs. J. A. Wright by deed dated May 21, 1940, and recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in deed book 108 at page 385.

Mrs. J. A. Wright want into possession of said property immediately after the execution of the last mentioned deed and remained in possession of it, either living upon it and cultivating it personally or having tenants on it and cultivating it each and every year until she sold it and deeded it to Jesse T. Barnes and wife on the 15th day of August, 1944. The deed evidencing said sale is recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in deed book 116, at page 595.

Originally there was an old spring in Spring Branch, but thirty-five years or more ago it filled up and a new spring sprung up about 15 or 20 feet west of Spring Branch, and that is the spring which has been used by the school and church people since that time. That spring is on my land, but I have permitted them to use it for the last thirty-five years.

The property hereinabove described and the subject of this affidavit, is bounded on the south by Valley Creek, on the west by Valley Creek and Spring Branch, on the north by the road leading from Valley Creek to the Birmingham Road, also known as Caldwell Mill Road, and on the east by a fence which separates this property from property I formerly owned, and which is now owned by Carl Street.

G. W. Collins

Sworn and subscribed to before me on this the 20th day of June, 1949.

Marie Collins

Notary Public.

Filed in the office of the Probate Judge on the 23rd day of June, 1949, at 3 P. M. and recorded in Deed Book 138 on page 482 on this the 24th day of June, 1949.

L. C. Walker

NO TAX DUE ON THIS INSTRUMENT

Judge of Probate.