

STATE OF ALABAMA,

SHELBY COUNTY

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared H.A. Lester, who is known to me and who by me being first duly sworn does depose and say;

I am acquinted with the following described property:

SE¹/₄ of SW¹/₄ of SW¹/₄, Section 1, Township 20, Range 1 West; Also the S¹/₂ of SE¹/₄ of Section 2, Township 20, Range 1 West; the NW¹/₄ of NW¹/₄ of Section 12, Township 20, Range 1 West, except 2 acres in the SE corner conveyed to J.H. Blackerby as shown by deed dated April 13, 1912, and recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 49, at page 627; all of said land situated in Shelby County, Alabama

I have known this land 60 years.

I remember the transaction whereby Walter E. Lester, my brother, conveyed this property to Daniel L. Blackerby, record of which appears in deed book 69 at page 402 which conveyance accor ing to my best recollection was on or about October 15, 1921. Daniel L. Blackerby went into possession of said property shortly after he purchased it, lived on it and cultivated portions thereof each and every year until title was conveyed out of him by foreclosure deed on December 6, 1930. During said period of time Daniel L. Blackerby constructed a house on a portion of this land and he was in open, notorious, continuous; exclusive, hostile, adverse and peaceable possession of all of said property claiming to own same in fee simple.

I recall that on or about December 6, 1930, a mortgage given by Daniel L. Blackerby to Roy B.

Lester was foreclosed and the said Roy B. Lester became the purchaser. Record of this foreclosure deed appears in deed book 92 at page 37 in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama. Roy B.

Lester owned this property until he conveyed same by warranty deed to Miss M.L. Lester on or about June 16, 1934, record of which deed appears in deed book 94 at page 305 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama, During said period of time Roy B. Lester had open, notorious, continuous, exclusive, hostile, adverse and peaceable possession of all of said property claiming to own same infee simple; portions of it were ing cultivated each and every by his agents or tenants hold/under him.

Miss. M.L. Lester went into possession of said property immediately or shortly after the above mehtioned deed was exeduted to her. She continued to own same until she conveyed said property to Frank S. Parker on July 27, 1945, deed of which conveyance appears in deed book 120 at page 593 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama. During said period of time Miss M.L. Lester was in open, notorious, continuous, exclusive, hostile, adverse and peaceable possession of all of said property claiming to own same in fee simple.

I recall that during said period of time timber was sold off of said property by Miss M.L. Lester on two different occasions and portions of said property was cultivated each and every year by agents or the said M.L. Lester or by persons who were given persmission by her to cultivate said lands.

I know that from about July 27, 1945, or shortly thereafter to present time FrankSS. Parker has lived on this property and has been in open, notorious, continuous, exclusive, hostile, adverse and peaceable possession of all of said property claiming to own same in fee simple. Frank S. Parker has cultivated portions of said property each and every year since he acquired title.

During the time I have known this land I have never heard of or known of any claims adverse to the possession or ownership of said property as set forth above.

H.A. Lester

Swotn and subscribe on this the 18 day of Dec. 1950.

Conrad M. Fowler

Notary Public

Filed in the office of the Probate Judge the 19th day of December, 1950 at 11 o'clock A.M. and recorded in Deed Recor 143 on page 240 on this the 22nd day of December, 1950

L.C. Walker.