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STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Personally came and appeared before me, S.A. Lokey, a notary public in and for the State of Alabama at Large, Miss ^{Nabors} Anna ~~Wright~~, who, after being first by me duly sworn according to law to speak the truth deposes as follows:

My name is Anna ^{Nabors} ~~Wright~~. I am a resident of Montevallo, Shelby County, Alabama, and have been for the past four years. Prior to that time, I lived at Boothton in Shelby County. I lived there since 1920. I am well acquainted with the following described land:

The Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 21 South, Range 4 West, Shelby County, Alabama, and have been since 1920.

I was continuously employed by Mr. George F. Peter and the Southern Coal & Coke Company, of which he was president. The said George F. Peter was one and the same person as the G.F. Peter. George F. Peter owned practically all of the stock of the Southern Coal & Coke Company and the stock that he did not own, was owned by differnt members of his family and the real estate and business of the Southern Coal & Coke Company were under his personal supervision and management. It was difficult to know whether Mr. Peter was claiming land individually or in the name of Southern Coal & Coke Company. He used his property and the property of the Southern Coal & Coke Company for whatever use he saw fit without regard to legal title. Mr. Peter begun to acquire small lots and houses in the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 21 South, Range 4 West about the year 1918. As he would purchase a house and lot, he would rent to one of his employees. Before the year 1932, he was in possession of all of Southwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter except a lot that is known as the Booth family cemetery about one-half acre in size and was in possession of all of Southeast Quarter of Northeast Quarter except 1 acre in the Southwest corner, which is in the form of a square, being 70 yards North and South and 70 yards East and West. There were several houses on these two forty acre tracts and Mr. Peter acting either for

himself or for Southern Coal & Coke Company rented them to his employees regularly and the employees lived in said houses and cultivated small acreage. Mr. Peter also had mine timbers cut from said lands from time to time until he sold to the Boothton Coal Mining Company in 1944.

I am acquainted with the lot in the Northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 21 South, Range 4 West, which is described as commencing at the Northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter and running South along the East boundary of said Section 539 feet; run thence in a westerly direction and parallel with the North boundary of said Northeast Quarter of Southeast Quarter 330 feet; run thence in a northerly direction and parallel with the East boundary of said Section 539 feet to the North boundary of said Northeast Quarter of Southeast Quarter; run thence East along said North boundary of said Northeast Quarter of Southeast Quarter 330 feet, more or less to point of beginning. I do not remember when Mr. Peter purchased this land, but I know that he did purchase it prior to the year 1930 and went into possession of it. It had a house on it, which he rented to employees and continued to use it as a home for one of his employees of the Southern Coal & Coke Company until he sold said property to Boothton Coal Mining Company in 1944.

I am also acquainted with the following lot in the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 21 South, Range 4 West: Beginning at a point on the West line of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 21 South, Range 4 West 104.64 feet South of the Northwest corner of said Northeast Quarter of Southeast Quarter, said point being on the South edge of the Tuscaloosa public road; run thence South along said West line 285 feet; turn thence an angle of $64^{\circ} 30'$ to the left and run 372.9 feet; turn thence an angle to the left $115^{\circ} 30'$ and run 276.3 feet to the South side of said Tuscaloosa public road; turn thence left $57^{\circ} 30'$ and run 73.62 feet along said road; turn thence left 7° and run 299.83 feet along said road to point of beginning containing 2.15 acres.

This lot was known as the Lit-Loubright store lot. Mr. George F. Peter acquired this lot prior to 1930 and I am informed

that he bought it from W.C. Wooten. I know that Mr. George F. Peter had it in possession prior to 1930 and rented the two houses to employees that worked for Southern Coal & Coke Company. This he did continually until he sold to Boothton Coal Mining Company about the year 1944.

The possession of the said George F. Peter and/or the Southern Coal & Coke Company of all of above described land since the year 1930 has been actual, continuous, exclusive, peaceful, quiet, open, notorious, adverse, hostile, under color of title and claim of ownership and no person has at any time to affiant's knowledge been in possession of any part of said property claiming adverse to the said George F. Peter and Southern Coal & Coke Company.

All of this time, I was employed in the office of George F. Peter and the Southern Coal & Coke Company and if there had been any controversy as to the title of lands, I believe it would have come to my attention.

Anna Nabors.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 1st day of April, 1952.

J. A. Loken
Notary Public

Filed in the office of the Probate Judge on the 3 day of Apr 1952 at 8 o'clock AM
and recorded in Deed Book 152 Page 309 this 4 day of Apr 1952
Deed Tax _____ Mortgage Tax _____ has been paid.

L.C. Walker, Judge of Probate