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STATE OF ALABAMA,  
SHELBY COUNTY.....

Before me, Julius S. Coggin, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared Robert L. Holcombe, who, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he resides in Calera, Alabama, and that for a period of more than thirty years, last past, he has been acquainted with the location, use, ownership, description, parties in possession of the following described lands situated in Shelby County, Alabama, to wit:

All that part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, except 10 acres of uniform width off of the West side of said 40 acres in Section 18, Township 22, Range 2 West.

Affiant further says that since 1926, he has been a stockholder in the Holcombe Mercantile Company and that he served as President of said Corporation for a number of years, and that he is familiar with the several transactions had in connection with the above described lands.

Affiant further says that J.D. Williams and wife, Hattie Williams, mortgaged to the Holcombe Mercantile Company, a Corporation, the above described lands in 1926, and in view of a foreclosure thereon, conveyed to said Corporation in 1929, the above described lands, and that in writing the description in that certain deed from J.D. Williams and wife, Hattie Williams, to the Holcombe Mercantile Company, a Corporation, dated January 2, 1932, as shown of record in Deed Book 117, on page 451, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama, that the range was inadvertently omitted in the description of said lands; affiant further says that the lands purchased by said Holcombe Mercantile Company and the lands paid for and the lands in which the said Holcombe Mercantile Company, a Corporation, was put in possession by the said J.D.

Williams, is situated in range 2 West, and are accurately described as the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, except 10 acres off of the West side, in Section 18, Township 22, Range 2 West; affiant further says that he purchased the said thirty acres of land, as last described, from Holcombe Mercantile Company on October 14, 1935, as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 99, on page 145, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama, and that said lands were described in said deed as being in "Range 1 West", when, as a matter of fact, said lands are situated in Range 2 West, and that the lands that your affiant actually purchased from said Holcombe Mercantile Company on the date as last named, are accurately described as the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, except 10 acres on the West side thereof in Section 18, Township 22, Range 2 West, and that your affiant paid the purchase money for the lands, as last described, and that the Holcombe Mercantile Company, a Corporation, put your affiant in the possession of the said lands as last described.

Affiant further says that he knows of his own personal knowledge that the said Holcombe Mercantile Company, a Corporation, does not now claim any right, title, or interest in and to the above described lands as accurately described herein.

Affiant further says that of his own personal knowledge he knows that for more than thirty years, last past, that Frank Alverson, and those through whom the said Frank Alverson holds title, namely, M.L.Bridges, R.J.Holcombe, Holcombe Mercantile Company, a Corporation, and J.D.Williams, 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 exercising acts of ownership over said lands by using the same for agricultural and other farm purposes, and that your affiant has never heard the title, or the description of the said lands, as accurately described herein, to be questioned in any way, or the right of possession, or the boundaries to be questioned in any way.

Robert L. Harecole

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this the 22 day of January, 1952.

Dellie S. Cox  
Notary Public, Shelby County, Alabama.