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STATE OF ALABAMA,

SHELBY COUNTY.

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Bessie Smith, who is known to me and who being by me first duly sworn does depose and say as follows:

I am one and the same person as Bessie V. Glaze who is named in that certain deed executed by O. M. Harris on October 20, 1911 in favor of C. M. Harris and Bessie V. Glaze. This deed appears of record in Deed Book 49 at page 2 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. O. M. Harris was my father. My mother died in the year 1910 and at the time this deed was executed O. M. Harris was a single man.

On November 22, 1939, C. M. Harris conveyed his interest to the property described in the aforementioned deed to J. E. Harris. Record of this deed appears in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 108 at page 340. Both C. M. Harris and J. E. Harris are my brothers. At the time C. M. Harris executed this deed he was an unmarried man.

I am acquainted with a tract of land described as twenty-five acres in the SW 1/4 of SE 1/4, Section 15, Township 19, Range 2 East, being all the land in said forty lying west of the Coosa Valley Public Road, now known as Alabama Highway No. 25. This land was the homestead of my father and he and his family lived on it during his lifetime. Prior to his death he conveyed this property to me and to C. M. Harris, as aforesaid. The possession and ownership of this property has been in myself or my brother, C. M. Harris, or my brother J. E. Harris since the conveyance by O. M. Harris as aforesaid. On November 22, 1939 C. M. Harris conveyed to J. E. Harris his interest in this property. On April 29, 1940 I conveyed my interest in a portion of this property to J. E. Harris and on November 19, 1943 J. E. Harris and wife conveyed his interest in the remainder of this property to me. All of such conveyances appear of record in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama.

From October 20, 1911 until January 26, 1952, C. M. Harris or J. E. Harris or I have had actual, open, notorious, continuous, exclusive, adverse, peaceable and hostile possession of said property. Said property has been occupied continuously, except for short periods of time, by one of the above or by tenants who rented it from one of the above named owners.

Neither James L. Raley, his heirs, or persons holding under him have had possession of any of said property during said period of time.

Bessie Smith

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Sworn to and subscribed before me on this

the 11 day of November, 1952.

James O. Gorman
Notary Public

Filed in the office of the Probate Judge on the 18 day of Nov 1952 at 4 o'clock P M
and recorded in Deed Book 126 Page 414 this 20 day of Nov 1952
Deed Tax Mortgage Tax has been paid.

L.C. Walker, Judge of Probate