STATE OF ALABAMA SHELBY COUNTY

Before me the undersigned authority personally appeared A. B. Bristow who is known to me and who being first by me duly sworn, deposéth and says:

I am acquainted with the following described real estate situated in Shelby County, Alabama:

All that portion of the NWL of the SEL and the SWL of the NEt Section 18, Township 22, Range 1 East, Shelby County, Alabama lying North of the L & N Railroad/

I know that Shelby Iron kCompany of Alabama, a corporation and it's predecessors in title were in actual, open, notorious, continous, exclusive, adverse possession of this land for more than 50 years prior to December 14, 1949.

The predecessors in title of Shelby Iron Company used the land for charcoal burning with an oven and used the timber in . connection with their work and had a railroad on it which it used. About 1920 a portion of it was cleared off and put in cultivation and used by one of the employees of the company who had it rented and that continued until it was sold to Robert C. Bates and wife Maurine D. Bates on December 14, 1949.

B. Bristow

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 10th day of April, 1953.

Handy Ellis, Notary Public, State

of Alabama at/Large.

L.C. Walker, Judge of Probate